



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Forthcoming Events

Thursday 8 February - Friday 16 February	Half Term
Thursday 8 February	INSET Day
Friday 9 February	INSET Day
Monday 19 February	Students return to school

Week beginning

Monday 19 February is: **SILVER**

A Proud Morning...

On Friday 2 February Ms McGuinness and Ms Hodges were invited to Osborne Construction and Contractors for a very special reason. They had asked that someone from the school be present when they officially offered Connor Clarkson an electrical apprenticeship. Connor is currently taking part in our Work Based Learning programme. This combines lessons in school with placements in Businesses three days a week and is a brand new initiative between Adeyfield and Astley Cooper Schools as part of our joint Sixth Form.

Electrical apprenticeships are like gold dust, so Connor has done incredibly well and it was with great pride that we were able to see the moment the company offer him this great opportunity. Hannah Bailey from Osborne said, "We are delighted to be able to offer Connor an Electrical Apprenticeship with Osborne today. From day one, his attitude to learning, professionalism, enthusiasm to succeed and hard work has impressed the whole team. The work based learning programme has allowed Connor to develop the soft skills for gaining employment which many young people struggle with when they first finish education. For us as an employer, having the opportunity to develop a young person before they start full time employment is extremely important. We are really excited to see Connor continue to progress and have no doubt he will be an excellent ambassador for our business."

Today was one of my favourite Friday Feelings in a long time because I could really see the impact our involvement in the programme can make."

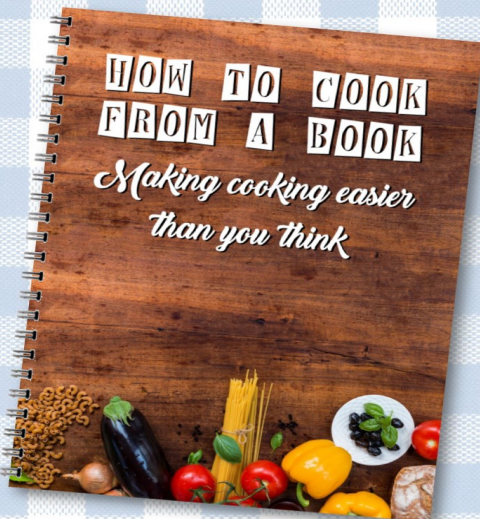
If Connor does well he will be a fully qualified electrician before he's 20 working for a supportive employer in an expanding market.

This will be 2 years earlier than if he'd gone the traditional college route. I see a really bright future for him and we would just like to say well done and congratulations. Hopefully this is the first of many successes for our WBL programme.



Available Now!

An amazing collection of easy-to-follow recipes for you to try at home. This cook book is available to buy from Reception at breaktime and lunchtime for £5.00.



Book of the Week



It's the summer holidays and Amber is bored. So when she meets non-conformist Dowdie, she is bowled over. Dowdie lives in a commune known as the Community, and gradually, Amber finds herself drawn into it. She discovers that Dowdie is an Amethyst child - a child with special talents unrecognised by normal society - and that her father, James, the leader of the commune, believes Amber is one too. Meanwhile

Amber also meets Johnny, a gorgeous loner who shares her interest in photography. But Johnny is very dismissive of the Community, a place Amber now holds dear. Torn between Johnny and her friend Dowdie, Amber finds herself being drawn into a world of dark and dangerous secrets. Secrets which can only end in death and disillusionment...

West Herts College  **Open Days**

Hemel Hempstead campus: 24 February

Kings Langley campus: 24 February

Watford campus: 3 March

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