

# DYW and Employability

## Newsletter

May 2021



### What's New?

We have finally entered our Holistic assessment period and this is a stressful time for our senior learners. In this month's newsletter there are some links for pupils to access to help them manage the stress of the situation and to help them forward plan.

DYW Live, Phase Two has just been launched and there are a number of exciting and engaging opportunities available to classes. More detail is found below.

The local jobs market is strong and there are several great employment opportunities on the DYW WL noticeboard.

This is a busy term in a very difficult year so can I once again thank all our pupils, parents and staff for their support and hard work relating to all things DYW!

### DEALING WITH ASSESSMENTS – USEFUL LINKS

Stress over your assessments is NORMAL and helps you build resilience and focus. BUT, from time to time, it can get too much. It is an important skill to recognise these pressure points and take appropriate actions. Not just from a school perspective but also to 'future proof' yourself. No matter your results you have a thousand pathways in front of you!

DYW WL - <https://www.dyw-wl.com/young-people.html>

NHS inform - <https://www.nhsinform.scot/healthy-living/mental-wellbeing/stress/coping-with-exam-stress>

Young Scot, Results - <https://young.scot/campaigns/national/exam-results>

My World of Work – Well-being support - <https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/wellbeing-support>

## DYW Live – Phase 2

Following the success of the DYW Live pilot, E-Sgoil and Education Scotland have just announced the launch of their second eight-week programme - running from April 26th to June 18th.

The response to phase one of this project was incredible. Pupils were quoted as saying –

*'it was very informative and interactive'*

*'it helped me see my future career more clearly'*

Staff were also thrilled with the provision during these challenging times;

*'It was as close as we can get to school visitors'*

DYW Live sessions will run until June 18<sup>th</sup> every day of the week. There are over 50 sessions being offered and over 250 individual lessons to access. Staff will access opportunities through their Glow accounts and present them to their classes in 'real time'.

Some of the sessions included are

- Rural Skills
- Mock Interviews
- My World of Work
- Health and Wellbeing
- Competitions

Sessions are available from Primary school age right the way through to S6 – there really is something for everyone

**To find out more please access the site here - <http://www.e-sgoil.com/dyw/>**



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## Links for parents

It is that time of year where some of our young people are thinking about leaving school. This is a scary time for parents too. Below are a number of links that will help parents support their youngsters to move forward in a positive way

<https://www.dyw-wl.com/parents.html> - An excellent site which 'Helps you help them' and directs parents to links with SQA, My World of Work, Career information and heaps of other excellent resources

<https://education.gov.scot/parentzone> - Parentzone is Education Scotland's hub for all information on how to support your learner or offer your skills to schools to help support learning experiences

## Pupils - Local job opportunities

Some of you will be thinking about summer jobs or pathways outside of school. Please follow the link below to the **DYW West Lothian Jobs Board** which has a huge number of opportunities listed ranging from apprenticeships, full time positions to part time summer work! If you need help with your applications please see Mrs Bryson!

<https://www.dyw-wl.com/jobs-board>

Some of the jobs listed are –

- Sales Assistant at JD Sports
- Sales Assistant – Superdry
- Scotrail Apprenticeships
- Front of House work at Wagamama
- Work with BEAR Scotland (Linlithgow and South Queensferry based)
- EY Assurance Apprenticeship opportunities

The logo for Wagamama, featuring the brand name in a bold, lowercase sans-serif font with a small red star above the letter 'a'.The logo for Superdry, featuring the Japanese text '極度乾燥(しなさい)' above the brand name 'Superdry' in a bold, black sans-serif font, with a red registered trademark symbol (®) to the right.

## Meet the experts – Staff and Pupil resources and events

### **MWOW – Market place**

Learn about the world of work with offers from employers tailored to their learning outcomes.

Pupils can search for events that interest them or find out more about emerging sectors.

The online tool makes it easy for you to make connections. Teachers can search, book and confirm places for your class direct through Marketplace.

<https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/marketplace>

### **World of Work – Meet the Experts**

Bring the world of work to life with our virtual Meet the Expert sessions.

As part of the My World of Work Live programme, the 40-minute sessions will help inspire young people to consider careers in key sectors.

Experts from a range of sectors will cover topics like their role and how they got there, as well as hints and tips for anyone thinking about a career in that sector. Young people will be able to interact and ask questions, giving them a chance to gain valuable insight to the role.

### **Why take part?**

The Curriculum for Excellent highlights the importance of linking learning to the world of work. Meet the Expert will help you bring learning to life and the young person develops an understanding of the responsibilities and duties placed on employees and employers.

### **How to get involved**

To get involved, staff can head to [Marketplace](#) and register your class for an event alternatively pupils can contact Mrs Bryson directly.

Here's a list of just some of what's coming up:

- Virtual Meet the Expert: Scottish Power Energy Networks (SPEN) – 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2021
- Virtual Meet the Expert - Healthcare, Senior Orthotist - 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2021
- Virtual Meet the Expert: The OTGC (The Oil & Gas Technology Centre) - 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2021
- Virtual Meet the Expert- Financial Services - Investec wealth and investment – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021
- Virtual Meet the Expert- Financial Services- Digital Marketing roles – 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

All 'Meet the expert' opportunities are recorded and can be found here –

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL4YvCbmqHvLH\\_D57S000mjhviFikonA5t](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL4YvCbmqHvLH_D57S000mjhviFikonA5t)

## **Useful Links**

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### **Linlithgow Academy DYW website**

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