



# Sir Robert Pattinson Academy

## Careers & Personal Development

### Newsletter Term 5

#### Launch of the Careers Hub and our Year 7 Aspirations Ambassadors

Wednesday 28 April saw the long awaited launch of our Careers Hub and the appointment of our first ever Aspirations Ambassadors. Year 7 students were invited to formally apply for this prestigious position. Mr Lloyd Richards, Head of Tudor House and Strategic Lead on student aspirations, was very impressed by the quality of the application forms completed by our Year 7. John Ambrose, the Strategic Lead Director at Complete Careers (virtual appearance) along with Mr Hardy, officially opened the Careers Hub. John Ambrose posed many questions: What is a career? Where are the jobs? What does Lincolnshire have to offer? What is the Careers Hub for? to the assembled newly appointed Aspirations Ambassadors. Mr Hardy challenged the students to not only raise their aspirations, but, also those of their peers to be the best they could possibly be. John also offered his support for the Careers Hub by donating 'The Bonkers Book of Jobs', of which he is a co-author, and also the brand new 'Fulfilling Futures - Greater Lincolnshire' produced resource.



## Personal Development Day

Our fifth Personal Development Day of the academic year saw our Year 7 involved in their Snack Bar Idol enterprise challenge. Re-worked due to Covid 19 restrictions, this meant students could not use IT or present to the whole of Year 7 and local Employers in the Main Hall. However, these restrictions did not impact on the quality of the work produced. Using Microsoft Teams to beam the presentations into the Year 7 form rooms, the representatives from each form performed to a panel of judges that included Mrs Ransome, Mrs Watson and Assistant Head Teacher Miss Davis, in a socially distanced Library. Students and tutors could be heard cheering their representative on from their form rooms. Each group offered something unique in their presentation and made it very difficult for the judges. Individual trophies and a gift were handed to the winning students along with the Snack Bar Idol Trophy and a framed photograph of the winning team with their form tutor.

Miss Earnshaw was denied a record breaking third win when her form was pushed down into second place by 2 points by 7W/JW.

### Results;

First: 7W/JW

Second: 7L/LE

Tied for Third Place: 7W/CE: 7Y/JW: 7S/AD

Well done to everyone.



Sessions on Happiness and Well Being, Respect, Gender and SRPA Voices were delivered to all year groups, where one of our own students spoke about his religion and culture.

Year 8 looked at the Risks of sexting and managing requests or pressure to send images. Art took the opportunity to showcase their subject to the Year 8 with a Still Life Drawing activity.

Year 9 took part in a session on The Risks of Sexting. Maths showcased their subject to Year 9 with a session on Cryptography and Ciphers.

Year 10 worked with the University of Nottingham on Building Confidence and Resilience. They also took part in a session on how social media may distort, misrepresent or target information in order to influence beliefs and opinions.

Year 11 looked at evaluating readiness for parenthood and identifying positive parenting qualities and took part in a House Rounder's Competition.

Year 12/13 had their Independent Living Skills Day taking part in sessions on Basic Car Maintenance, Handy DIY Skills, payslips, tax and looking after your money, Flying the Nest which included renting, bills, council tax, registering at a doctor's surgery, and Domestic Skills which included ironing, sewing on buttons and cleaning windows. In the afternoon, Year 12/13 took part in the Independent Living Skills challenge or Brand or Bargain, Duvet Challenge, A-Z Careers Challenge, A-Z Skills Challenge and Myth Pong.

The overall winners were:

First 6L/CS

Joint Second 6W/SP & 6T/GI.



## Aspirations Ambassadors

Our newly appointed Aspirations Ambassador have been presented with their badges in their house colours and received an Aspirations Ambassador certificate. Their role is to:

- Promote the use of and events in the Careers Hub
- Support other students with raising their own aspirations
- Plan career and aspiration activities
- Plan and organise careers house competitions
- To support the running of the careers hub at lunchtimes
- Lead on Unifrog activities on PD Days

Since their appointments the students have attended four lunchtime meetings where they have started to plan a Careers House Competition and develop their role as Year 7 Unifrog specialists.

We will be looking to increase our Aspirations Ambassadors after half term as we recruit year 8's to the role.



## Parent/Carer Feedback

As an Academy, we regularly seek student, parent, teacher and external guest speaker's feedback on our Careers and Personal Development Day programme to help us improve our delivery.

We would also welcome any feedback from parents /carers. Please email [atodd@srpa.co.uk](mailto:atodd@srpa.co.uk) with any views you may have.

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