



Respect Collaboration of Schools

Castle School - Bridge Street School - Kingsmead School



Junction 16 students construct the perfect Mother's Day gifts

As part of the design element of their curriculum, our talented Junction 16 construction students have been exploring the theme of 'Mother's Day' and have handcrafted items in celebration of the day. Their creativity, craftsmanship and attention to detail can clearly be seen in the finished projects they produced.

We are incredibly proud of their efforts and the artistry displayed in their work. Well done to all involved.

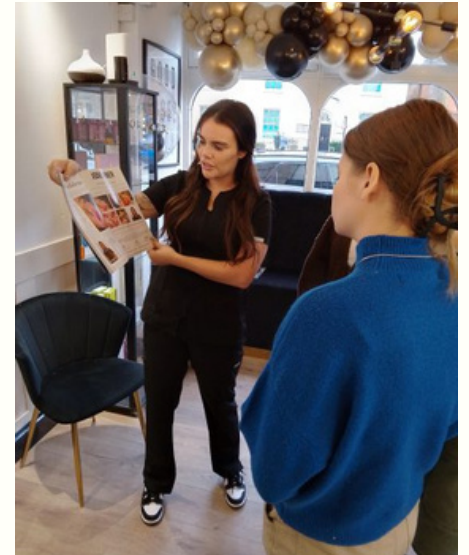
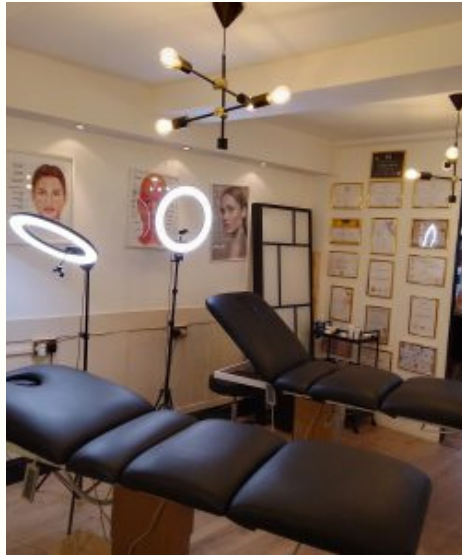
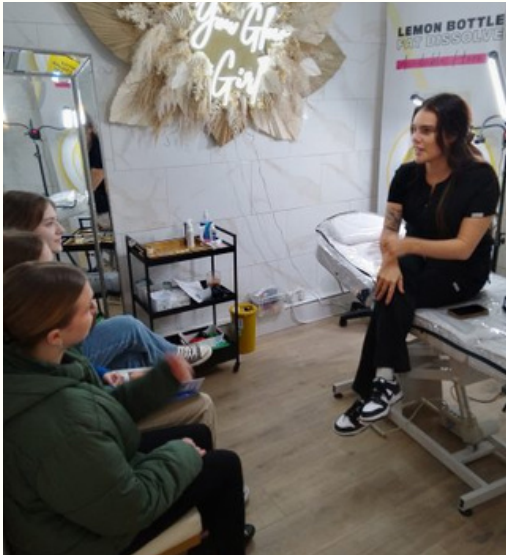


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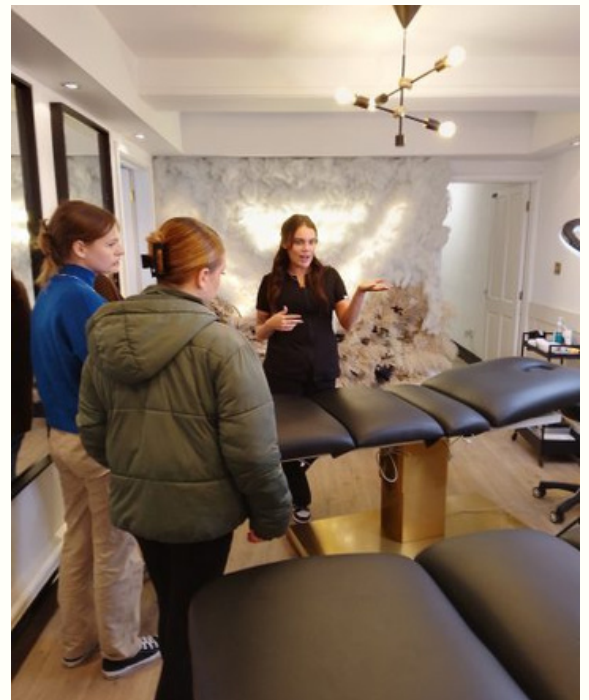


Students 'brush up' on career opportunities in hair, health and beauty

Some of the year 11 students at Castle School who are interested in pursuing hair, health and beauty as a Post-16 option, had the exciting opportunity to visit a local salon on Friar Gate. During the visit, they met with the inspiring Jodie Amber, owner of the salon, and her talented team. The students gained valuable insights into various training areas and the accreditation required for this field. They even had the chance to witness a live training session for students enrolled in a four-day aesthetics course at the studio.

Jodie shared her incredible career journey, from training as a nurse and obtaining her NMC registered nurse pin, to transitioning into aesthetics and eventually opening two clinics in the UK and one in Dubai.

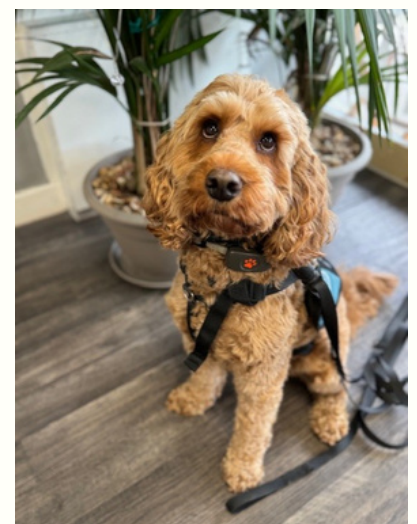
Our students left feeling motivated and inspired by Jodie's story, and many were eager to share their experience with their parents and peers.



Wilf's almost paw-fect score earns another year of assistance

We are very proud to say that Wilf has passed his Assessment with Darwin Dogs to continue his Assistance Dog Partnership for another year. This qualifies him to be able to support all of our students at the Respect Collaboration of Schools.

His test was a long three hour session at Kingsmead, and we are very proud of all the students that helped on the day, showing off how he supports in and out of the classroom, and also in the community for his public access test. He got a grand total of 275 marks out of 276.





World Book Day

We went all out for World Book Day across our schools. Our amazing teachers and pupils dressed up as some of their favourite literary characters at Bridge Street School and the day was filled with fun and learning all about books. We also had lovely displays around Castle School, showcasing some of our favourite books and characters.



Students take big steps towards their future during careers week

Our year 11 Bridge Street students recently took part in a fantastic careers week, filled with insightful activities and opportunities to help them prepare for their future. The week kicked off with a visit from University of Derby where they explored career quizzes, researched various professions, and participated in interview preparation.

To cap it off, we held our whole-school mock interview event, giving students the chance to gain real-world experience. A huge thank you to Bowmer & Kirkland, Derby College, Derbyshire Constabulary, Balfour Beatty and many more — for supporting our students and helping them take steps towards their bright futures.

You can find feedback from the companies and services that took part at <https://bridgestreetschoolderby.co.uk/careers-week-mock.../>



Derby College drops in to guide year 11s across the bridge to their future



It was great to welcome Ben and Marcus from Derby College to Bridge Street, where they led a workshop on college life for our Year 11 students. With many students already applying to Derby College, it was a great chance to ask questions about their next steps. A big thank you to Derby College for their continued support.

Bridge Street students breathe easy after learning about smoking and vaping risks

Students at Bridge Street had the opportunity to learn about the serious health risks associated with smoking and vaping, thanks to an insightful presentation from our school health team. Staff from Derby Children's Health Service shared valuable resources and information, and the students were actively engaged throughout the session. We remain committed to supporting our students in making healthy choices and want to extend a huge thank you to the school health team for their time and expertise.

