

# OAKGROVE INTEGRATED COLLEGE CEIAG REPORT 2023-2024

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#### **Oakgrove CEIAG**

#### The 3 pillars of CEIAG are

- Self-awareness
- Career exploration
- Career management

#### These are covered in the following strands

- **Education** (Gatsby 1)
- Information (Gatsby 2)
- Advice and Guidance (Gatsby 3,4,8)
- Employability skills (Gatsby 1,2,3,5,6,8)
- Work-related learning (Gatsby 5,6,7)

CEIAG at Oakgrove works to the 8 Gatsby Benchmarks (below).

- 1 Stable Careers Programme
- 2 Learning from Career/ LMI
- 3 Addressing needs of each pupil
- 4 Linking curriculum to Careers
- 5 Encounters with employees/ employees
- 6 Experiences of workplaces
- 7 Encounters with FE, HE, apprenticeships
- 8 Personal guidance

## **September**

#### <u>Ulster University Belfast- Open day</u>

Our year 14 pupils had the opportunity to visit the UU Belfast Campus to find out more about courses on offer and experience a bit of campus life.



#### **<u>Ulster University Post 16 Presentation</u>**

Conán from UU delivered a Post 16 presentation to our Yr12 pupils to inform and raise awareness about next steps.





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James from UU delivered a follow up Study Skills Refresher session after the main session in year 11. This was usefulfor the lead up to first modules in November.



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### **October**

#### **Careers Service NI**

The careers advisor from **Careers Service NI** spoke to our year 12 pupils before kicking off the weekly, individual interviews.



#### Year 11 Guidance Interviews

We started a new initiative this year. Thanks to the expertise we have in-house at Oakgrove we were able to conduct informal, year 11 guidance interviews. Thank you to our TA, Becky, for taking these.



#### **Manchester United Foundation**

Building on the work over the last few years **MU Foundation** activities kicked off again with pupils taking part in the following programmes:

Youth Ambassador Female Development Tackling Mental Health Ability Counts Street Reds



Also, this year again, MU Foundation offered some of our senior pupils the chance to volunteer and work alongside MU Foundation officers who would lead the activities. The pupils involved had to apply for this role and sit an interview.

#### North West Regional College



As part of our provision to ensure Year 14 make an informed choice about next steps the students attended a presentation from the NWRC.



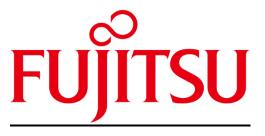
#### **University Roadshow**



Continuing with provision to ensure Sixth Form make an informed choice about next steps the students attended a presentation from the University Road Show to give them information about all things university related.



#### <u>Fujitsu Partnersip</u>



Building on our first year of partnership with Fujitsu, we met with Liz and Alan to plan out activities for the coming year. We are one of only two schools in NI partnered with this IT company.

#### #schoolengagement

Yesterday we held our planning meetings with both our partner schools (in NI) as part of our School Engagement programme. We are excited to begin our 2nd year of partnership with St Cecilia's College and Oakgrove Integrated College. With both schools we reviewed activities last year and have agreed an outline for this incoming Academic year, which will also include some collaboration between both the schools ! We cannot wait to engage with more students about the world of **#STEM** 

#### #fujitsu #school #education #engagement #partnership #nextgeneration



#### **MU Foundation RISE Project**



A group of yr11 pupils who expressed an interest in participating in the RISE project attended a workshop facilitated by MU Foundation Staff. Here they got more info on the project and identified a social action project they wanted to complete. Some great ideas were discussed and planned out.



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#### **November**

**Robotics Club** 



Thanks to Mr Middleton, the year 8 and 9 Oakgrove Robotics Club launched. Our partner, Fujitsu, assisted with this club.



A partnership activity between MU Foundation and Youth Life delivered sessions from Insanely Beautiful on Female Development. Some of the topics were Self-Esteem, Mental Health, Social Media, Bullying and Healthy Relationships.



#### Atlantic Technological University (ATU)



Our sixth form had the opportunity to hear from guests speaking about the advantages of continuing higher education by studying third level at ATU. Our pupils were able to ask some relevant questions about studying in UK versus studying in the Republic of Ireland. There is lots to consider!

December started with our winter examination period but there was still some time after to have some festive fun, while helping charity. We did our annual Santa Run/ Walk with all proceeds to charity.

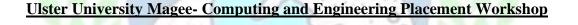
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#### <u>January</u>

#### Year 10 Subject Options Process

January kicked off the Options Process for our Yr10 pupils who would be making subject choices for Key Stage 4. This involved an Information Session taken by key staff from school during the Year 10 Parent Day. Pupils have been working towards making their choices for KS 4 in their EE classes.





Five Year 13 pupils had the opportunity to participate in a two day placement at UU Magee in the School of Computing and Engineering where they had opportunities to develop a range of skills and work with pupils from other schools and staff from the university.



#### **February**



**Ms Hamill**, our Head of IT, has been engaging heavily with Fujitsu for the benefit of our pupils. This time she took the Year 11 IT class on a site visit to Fujitsu where they had the opportunity to hear from some Fujitsu engineers.



#### <u>March</u>

#### Year 10 pupils attend STEM Careers Fair



A group of our Year 10 pupils attended a STEM Careers Fair at St. Mary's College. They got to hear from employers and ask questions This was useful for them as they make subject choices for Key Stage 4 this month.



Year 13 pupils had access to expert DT training and had the opportunity to connect with local innovative companies, apprentices, and entrepreneurs as part of the *See it, Be it Showcase*.



To assist with their Post 16 planning, some of our Year 12 pupils had the opportunity to hear from Rutledge about the FE courses and qualifications open to them in September.

# **The Conservation Volunteers**

We were very happy to welcome a past pupil to our school to discuss proposed planting of new trees on our grounds. Robert is now working for The Conservation Volunteers. We were able to make plans for a project which will run at some point in the academic year September 2024- June 2025





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#### <u>April-June</u>

#### Waterside Credit Union



The Waterside Credit Union delivered presentations to our year 12 pupils. Our guests spke about the background of the credit union and about the importance of managing personal finances, including loans. The advice was very practical and useful for our pupils.



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# Fujitsu Cllimate Fresk Workshop

A group of our Year 10 pupils took part in an activity with one of our partner organizations-Fujistsu. This was in collaboration with another local school. The workshop was "Climate Fresk". .....

In order to take action and build solutions, we first need to understand the problem. Climate Fresk is a powerful tool for providing a quality climate education. In just 2 hours, the collaborative Climate Fresk workshop will teach you the fundamental science behind climate change and empower you to take action.





#### **Final Work Experience Placements**

Work placement opportunities have been available throughout the year to a variety of year groups. We finished the school year with some of our Year 12 pupils taking part in work experience with the PSNI.



As a follow on from the Waterside Credit Union presentations earlier in the year, some of our Year 12 pupils volunteered to be part of the Youth Initiative set up by the Waterside Credit Union. The aim is for young people to have a forum to express their voice. This started with a visit to the waterside Credit Union and a planning meeting. It will continue in September.



#### Derry City Strabane District Council Employability Presentation and Workshop



The final CEIAG related activity of the year was a presentation/ workshop from Derry City and Strabane District Council. This was for Year 11 pupils and aimed to highlight the range of jobs available with DCSDC. Pupils also had the opportunity to develop their employability skills with CV tips and finally a job application challenge.



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