

WORKING TOGETHER

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DRESS FOR SUCCESS DAY AT SITTINGBOURNE

On Thursday 14th March, Sittingbourne held a "Dress For Work Day" which our learners all agreed helped them to prepare for getting ready for an interview or for their first day at work. Well done to everyone who participated. It was brought to our attention that some learners do not own business attire, so we are liaising with the Job Centre to make sure all our learners have access to suitable clothing for our next one.

Congratulations to all the learners who found work in Sittingbourne

this month, including Victoria, now in a position as a domestic carer, Alfie and Ian, now employed by David Wood foods.



A VERY SATISFIED CUSTOMER IN NORTHFLEET

"I would just like to say how much Go Train have helped me. Without them I would not have an up to date CV to apply for any jobs available.

The very first job I applied for I got an interview for within a week and I got the job! I am now working 40 hours a week and earning a lot more than my previous job.

All the staff have been more than brilliant. Thanks again Go Train." – Steven, satisfied customer.

CAREERS A CAREER AT DARTFORD

"I started at Go Train Dartford after my work coach from the JCP referred me.

The new people, new environment and new information built up my confidence and reinvigorated my career drive.

After meeting with the Careers Advisor from NCS, I felt on top of the world and capable of anything; and it showed from the increased number of interviews. The team at Go Train Dartford greatly encouraged me to apply for the open position of Careers Advisor.

I went through the recruitment process and got the job! After my short time (three weeks) at Go Train Dartford, I have secured a job, made new friends, improved my skills and knowledge and feel fully capable to start helping people.

Come see me for your Careers Advice meeting!" - Johanna

CLEAN START IN GRAVESEND

Jackie started her course with Go Train in November of last year and completed Employability, BIT, Character Education and PSS courses.

Jackie says: "The main thing I have gained from these courses is a big improvement in my self-confidence.

My tutor David was a big support for me whilst I was at Go Train and I also found my confidence has grown from interacting with the other members of my group.

I have now gained employment with a cleaning company and will use that confidence in my role."



SOUTHEND A LEARNING SANCTUARY FOR AARON

Aaron is autistic and has never had a job. For five years he has all but lived as a recluse in his bedsit, having become increasingly socially isolated.

Aaron's care worker was determined to help him and asked if she could bring him to our centre to see if he could handle the environment. We put no pressure on Aaron to come and do our courses, but he came and he stayed.

We are pleased to say he is now a regular and he has completed several courses. His confidence has really grown and Aaron is now looking to the future with much more positivity. Aaron now wants to gain qualifications in English and Maths.

"When I came here I had barriers and didn't know what to do but now they are mainly gone. I have much more confidence and I talk to all the staff with no problems. I really enjoy coming here. Some days I still struggle but I push myself now and once I'm here I'm glad I came." – Aaron

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ON YOUR MARKS IN TOWER HAMLETS

Collin was referred from Hoxton JCP by his advisor Maxine. He had lost his job over three years ago and was negative about his chances of finding work, particularly as his IT skills were poor. Collin started with a Personal Social Skills course to improve his self-confidence and to identify his barriers. He then took Basic IT, progressing to Level 1, before completing both Employability and Customer Service. With his confidence high and his new skills in place, Collin attended an interview we arranged for him with Marks & Spencer. Collin was successful and he has now been

offered a job as a Sales Assistant.

'It's worth going to Go Train Tower Hamlets if you seriously want to succeed in employment. My tutors Maria and Isra were fantastic, both lovely and sociable. Yas from the NCS team really helped me and the rest of the team were supportive. They were the best team to help me move forward into employment.' - Collin



WELL PREPARED IN CHATHAM

After only two weeks with us, Chris felt ready to test the new CV he had prepared with his tutor. Chris was immediately invited for an interview with Dixons and started there on Wednesday 20th March!

Joe had an interview at TMS Protection in Maidstone on 13th March. He used the techniques he learned in his Employability class and he feels confident the interview went well.

Corrie, Kayla and Stephanie have also attended interviews this month and we await the outcomes.



"LEARNER OF THE YEAR" IN MARGATE

Sky came to us in August 2018 and applied for an apprenticeship as a Health Care assistant at St. Martin's Hospital. She started work for them at the end of September and quickly became an asset to the ward in which she works. She was nominated for "Learner Of The Year" at the beginning of the year by one of her work colleagues.

"I couldn't believe it when I was offered the job and I was even more shocked when I was made aware that I had been nominated for an award within the NHS. I have only been working at the hospital since the end of September. Thank you Go Train for helping me with my application and the support that you gave me whilst I was on my course."



SUCCESS BREWING IN MARGATE

Zac came to us in January, not long after moving to the area. He attended the IAP course via the JCP. Zac's CV was tailored around hospitality and when Thorley Taverns contacted Go Train to inform us that they had job availability, we were quick to contact Zac. Zac attended an interview and was overjoyed when he was offered a job at the Charles Dickens Gastro Pub in Broadstairs.

"I would like to say a huge thank you to Go Train for giving me this opportunity. Throughout my time with you, you were always suggesting job sites or possible job opportunities. I could not believe that you had enough faith in me to offer me the option to put my CV forward. I have now been working for Thorley Taverns for a few weeks and am loving it. I have been offered full time hours after just a few weeks part time and am happy to be working back behind the bar making what I love the most, cocktails!!"

BETTER JOBS IN BASILDON

Phelan had been out of work for over three years before coming to Go Train. His self-esteem was low and he wasn't feeling optimistic about future employment. However, after completing a PSS and Customer Service course, Phelan felt much more positive, telling

us - "I feel much better and have skills I didn't know I had until doing these courses, thank you. Hopefully I will get a job soon."

Phelan afterwards gained employment as a packer at Yewdale. Amazing!



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