

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The staff and students at Hive College would like to wish you all a very happy New Year.

GUEST SPEAKERS

In January some of the LIVE and Trainee students had the opportunity to meet guest speakers and find all about their career history and their successful companies. We'd like to say a big thank you to both Doug D'Aubrey and Tristan Martin for giving up their valuable time to come and visit us.

"Doug was fantastic, I enjoyed listening to his life experience and how he set up his own business, please come and visit us again!" Avtar



"Tristian was a great speaker; he has an interest in ICT just like me so when he was talking about computer functions or creating your own games it excited me. Me and the group appreciated Tristian giving up his time to tell us his life story and I am sure we have all taken his tips for success on-board." Daniel



EMPLOYABILITY DAY

In November students took part in our annual employability day where students meet and find out about different employers, job roles and practice their interview skills.

"I am very, very impressed with the students - they all want to work." Karl

**"Students were engaging and asked lots of questions"
Justine**

STUDENT VIEW

On Employability day we all dressed up smart to impress the employers because you can only make one good impression and first impressions count.

Once everyone arrived the students started with a bingo game and guess the job with the employers. I liked meeting the different employers through the "speed employers" activity and meeting some of the old students that have left the College and gone into paid employment.

In the afternoon we have found out about different employers, completed various skills tests and completed mock interviews where we could talk about our placements, experiences and our CV's.

By Hannah

**"I enjoyed hearing about the different job roles"
Courtney**





OUR NEW MURALS

On the 23rd of November the College had a new mural for the Common room.

The artist used various colours such as yellow, orange, dark blue, indigo, dark/light green, pink and red to recreate iconic parts of Birmingham.

The parts that were graffitied were Birmingham City Football Stadium, Commonwealth Games Stadium, Perry the Bull, Bullring, Cadbury World, Mosque, Telecom Tower, Curries and Ozzy Osborn. We think it looks great!

By Nazia



PLACEMENT AT SUTTON PARK

I am currently on work placement at Sutton Park. As a group we are in the process of clearing a pathway so that people can get access to the Orchard that we hope to plant in the spring. I like using the brush, a rake and a wheelbarrow. I enjoy working with my colleagues and helping the park rangers.

By Larry

"It's great to be working with the College again. The progress they have made so far is fantastic!" *Danny, Park Ranger*

