

Lower 3 look to the future on Careers Day



On Tuesday, Lower 3 pupils had a busy day opening up their minds to all kinds of future career possibilities, investigating current job roles as well as those that are new and developing. Activities included playing Careers Top Trumps, looking for patterns and trends in the working world by creating beautiful family trees, and considering how the NHS is using the latest technology to enhance and improve its huge range of job roles.

The afternoon saw pupils preparing for our special guest, Dr Charlotte Anderson, by researching the role of a GP and creating intriguing questions to put forward as she sat in the “hot seat”. Pupils learned much more about the real life of a working GP as she answered questions about her training, the best and worst aspects of her job and whether she minded seeing blood! Dr Anderson also revealed the contents of her medical bag explaining how she would use each of the instruments, eliciting groans whilst discussing the bottles used for collecting a variety of samples from different parts of the body!

The day also offered the opportunity for pupils to practice essential transferrable skills, such as listening, teamworking, communicating in different ways, and developing information and digital literacy skills by using good-quality information on trusted careers websites.

We talked about stereotyping around gender as well as the need to avoid making assumptions about job roles and career pathways by ensuring that research is up-to-date and accurate.

After a full day of careers activities, Lower 3 certainly helped to prepare themselves for the future and for life in High School next year.

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