



Livery Schools Link
Conference for Senior Staff in Secondary Schools.
Wednesday 24 November 2021

Programme

This short virtual event on 24 November was planned for discussion of a few current topics with school senior staff. The title for the programme was 'How can Livery Companies work with and help schools?' The programme for the event contained 2 main presentations on topics of current and future interest and 3 shorter presentations on aspects of the Livery Schools Link (LSL) offer.

Ruth Coyle at La Retraite School spoke about the work they were doing on T levels. They were a pilot centre for T levels in 2020 and are now in 2021 offering 3 T level courses. T level courses combine classroom theory, with practical learning and a three-month work placement with an employer. In preparation for the work placement on the Business stream students had the chance to take some short courses in relevant employment skills to add to their portfolio. More details are available on www.sixthform.laretraite.co.uk

Anne Bamford, Strategic Director for Education and Skills at the City of London Corporation, gave a presentation on the Livery skills initiative. The City of London in conjunction with other organisations in London has secured a European Social Fund grant of £18million to offer help to young people aged 16-25 to progress into an appropriate job following on from the Covid19 pandemic. Adults who are unemployed and furthest from the labour market will also be able to get some help. Skills hubs will be set up in each of the 12 inner London boroughs and the City of London and recruitment for staff is underway. A Website www.findfusion.org.uk is being populated with learning opportunities associated with fusion skills. More details are available from Anne.Bamford@cityoflondon.gov.uk

The LSL presentations were:

1. Volunteering platform for work experience 'Be their Inspiration' Chris Chivers
Please contact chris@greylough.com for more information or look at the LSL Website www.liveryschoolslink.org.uk .
2. Setting up links with Livery Companies Maureen Marden
maureenmarden@btconnect.com.
3. Opportunity Fund Richard Kottler Please contact richard@kottler.co or look at the LSL Website.

Discussion points

Discussion followed most of the presentations. It was suggested by the schools that November is a good time for a conference. It is hoped next year to be live again and return to the format of an audience of Livery Masters and senior school staff. Please be in touch if there are topics you would like discussed at future events.

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