

Year 12 London Careers Event - Friday 13th November 2015

Catherine Cranmer (Head of Careers) writes : “92 members of Year 12 had an exciting and extremely useful day on Friday, travelling to London for a series of careers-based experiences. The starting point was the ExCel exhibition centre in the Docklands area of London for the Skills London Show, a huge careers fair where students could talk to firms, institutions and careers advisers. Then they started what can best be described as urban D of E – they were sent off in groups to travel by public transport to afternoon work placements. Some amazing experiences were had – visiting banking premises in Canary Wharf, viewing the trading floor of Lloyds of London, attending proceedings in the High Court, standing on the stage of the Savoy Theatre. Students were also allowed to develop their skills through activities and to work on ways of presenting themselves on paper, in person and through social media.

The evening provided an opportunity to make links with the Society of Old Framlinghamians who joined up with Matt Truman (Rendlesham, 92-97) to host a reception at Matt’s TrueStart business premises near Victoria. Students mingled with about 25 OFs, hearing from those who live and work in London, and in turn passing on news from the College. The enthusiasm of OFs in sharing their experiences was very clear, as was the benefit to current students from their conversations.

It was a long and packed day, and one which has had a very positive effect on the students, many of whom were inspired by the people and places they saw. Getting some input from the enthusiastic providers of the placements and from OFs has allowed them to return to the College with ideas of what they might do in the future, and making that link between their education and their career will prove to be hugely valuable.

And, as well as being incredibly useful, the day was also very enjoyable!”

See below a few pictures taken at the reception in the evening.







