



## Year 10 1:1 Mock Interview Event

Thirty employers kindly lent their time and expertise to the **1:1 Mock Interview Event** for all of our Year 10 students at **Park High School on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November**. It was fabulous to welcome back alumni who also supported the event. During the day, students had a thirty-minute face to face or virtual interview, followed by valuable feedback on their performance and Curriculum Vitae. In Preparation each student also had to bring their Curriculum Vitae with them in order to make the experience as realistic as possible.



Prior to the event, students had completed a preparation programme including creating a Curriculum Vitae as well as interview techniques and etiquette.

The employers were extremely impressed and complimentary about the array of skills and qualities the students possessed. Some examples included:

- 'Had a really lovely demeanour, came across really well, smiley, friendly. Asked really good questions, seemed interested and engaged throughout'.
- 'Really well presented and came across extremely well. Engaged throughout and asked great questions.'
- 'Wow - what an amazing young man, so talented and hard working. Knows what he wants and how to get it'.
- 'Very intelligent & hardworking & professional. Big ambitions for a job in science. Easy to converse with'.
- 'Took on board the feedback I gave him and used it straight away when asking the next question'.



Our students found the day very rewarding and commented on how beneficial the event was, as many of them had never had an interview before. Some of the things they said they had learnt or gained from the event included:

- 'What interviewers look for and how they word their questions'.
- 'How to answer certain questions in the most appropriate way'.
- 'Having some sort of introduction and elaborate on my achievements'.
- 'I have learnt to make eye contact more and to explain everything I say on the cv in depth'.
- 'To be more structured in my answers, and to 'show off' my skills more'.



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