



Fife College



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to  
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## Head of DYW Partnerships

*Lynne Ralph*



Welcome to 2023 on what always seems to be the busiest term of the year, with prelims now in full swing and end of semester assessments upon us our School College Partnership (SCP) and Foundation Apprenticeship (FA) Students are working hard.

We have hit the ground running with holding a First Chances Fife CSI event for S1 pupils. By far one of our most popular events in the college year.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the best for 2023 and enjoy your time with us in Fife College.

Lynne Ralph  
Head of DYW Partnerships  
Fife College

## Reminder

Just a reminder that all college courses delivered on college campuses will go ahead as timetabled on planned school strike days. It is important that students attend their classes so they have every opportunity to successfully achieve their college course.

## SCP Applications



Our SCP and FA offer is now open for applications from schools, you can check our website **fife.ac.uk** for full course details



**16 exciting FA opportunities available:**

Accountancy (1 Year) (Fife College)	Accountancy (2 Year) (Fife College)	Creative and Digital Media (Fife College)	Hospitality Level 4 (Fife College)
INFO COURSE PATHWAY	INFO COURSE PATHWAY	INFO COURSE PATHWAY	INFO COURSE PATHWAY
Automotive (Fife College)	Business Skills (Fife College)	Civil Engineering (Fife College)	Information Technology: Software Development (Fife College)
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Engineering (Fife College)	Construction (Fife College)	Engineering - Glenrothes Campus (Fife College)	Scientific Technologies (Lab Skills) (Fife College)
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Engineering - Rosyth Campus (Fife College)	Food and Drink Technologies (Fife College)	Social Services: Children and Young People (Fife Council)	Social Services and Healthcare (Fife Council)
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Pupils interested in applying for an FA/SCP course should speak to their guidance teacher in school



## Applications now open for August start courses

### Are you looking to leave school this year?

Applications are now open at Fife College for over 400 courses across 40 different subject areas, starting in August 2023.

The courses are available for study at campuses across the region - Dunfermline, Kirkcaldy, Glenrothes, Rosyth and Levenmouth - and cover a wide range of options, from starter courses, vocational training and apprenticeships, right through to higher education and degree pathway qualifications.

We offer first class facilities, strong links with local employers and a comprehensive student support, including help with applications, funding and advice to help with the cost of living crisis.

Applying is easy, just check our new Fife College prospectus or the Fife College website (**fife.ac.uk**) for subject areas and available courses.

From there, you can select a course and complete the online application form.



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Creative Industries at Fife College have launched two new online courses for school pupils in Fife



## Online Introduction to Raspberry Pi- SCQF Level 4

The course will cover the functions and uses of a Raspberry Pi Computer and how to install and configure this. Learners will be able to engage with video demonstrations of Raspberry Pi's being used in the industry in-conjunction with Raytheon.

**Study Mode: Distance learning**  
**Duration: 6 weeks**  
**2 hours per week fully delivered online**

## Online Unreal Games Development - Beginner Course

Introduction to developing computer games using the Games Engine Unreal. Unreal is a piece of software used to create and develop interactive and immersive games.

**Study Mode: Distance learning**  
**Duration: 14 weeks**  
**3 hours per week fully delivered online**

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## Open Days

Fife College will be running Open Days at its main campuses in March

We would be delighted to welcome as many interested people as possible on the days:

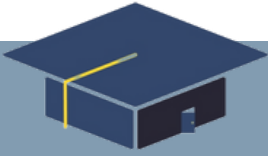
- Kirkcaldy campus: Tuesday 28 March
- Glenrothes campus: Wednesday 29 March
- Dunfermline campus: Thursday 30 March

There will be campus tours, a range of interactive sessions with different course areas as well as an opportunity to talk to lecturers about course options. We will also have our student support team in attendance who will be available to answer any questions about funding, applications and what life as a student is like. Our Students' Association will also be there to talk about clubs, societies and the support they offer to make your experience in Fife College enjoyable.



Look out for more  
information  
coming soon!





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OPENING DOORS TO YOUR TRUE POTENTIAL

## First Chances Fife Updates

### Update from First Chances Fife Co Ordinator

*Tracy English*



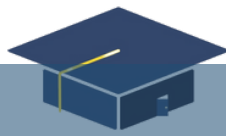
First Chances Fife started the new year with the very popular CSI event for S1. 86 pupils visited the Science Department in Stenton Campus, Fife College, where they took part in 3 different workshops:

- Forensic Investigation Methods and Procedures
- Investigating a Bioterrorism Attack
- Lab Analysis of Crime Scene Samples

The pupils had a great time, and all managed to solve the crime.

The next event is S2 Journalism in Carnegie Conference Centre, Dunfermline. Pupils will learn about using media professionally, along with some confidence building. S3 continue to work towards their presentations on an inspirational person, and will be assessed in school in February. P7 have the Perfect Paragraph event in March to look forward to, and weekly tutoring and support sessions continue for Senior pupils.

Summer School registration is open now for FCF all pupils, and places are filling up quickly, so please encourage all pupils to sign up. All pupils have been sent 2 emails with a link to the registration form.



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# SI CSI EVENT



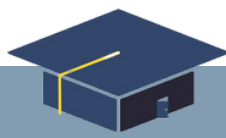
On the 17th of January, around 80 S1 First Chances pupils from Kirkcaldy, Auchmuty, Lochgelly, St Andrews and Woodmill attended our CSI Event at Fife College.

Our groups worked together to solve a crime by taking part in a number of practical activities in Fife Colleges science department. Pupils collected and recorded forensic evidence at the crime scene, before learning how to handle DNA samples to identify the suspect. Our science lecturers also hosted a forensics information session and a kahoot quiz.

All of our pupils did a fantastic job in our workshops and really seemed to enjoy the day!







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## S2 First Chances Fife Pupils to take part in BBC Young Reporter Competition 2023

This year, First Chances Fife pupils will get the opportunity to enter the BBC Young Reporter competition as part of the journalism theme for S2.

The competition is a chance for young people aged 11- 18 to share an original story idea with the BBC.

The winning story will be produced by BBC journalists, which will be broadcast on TV, radio or social media

The most original and interesting stories will be put in front of a panel of presenters from across platforms such as Newsbeat and Newsround, as well as BBC Sport, Radio 5 Live and The One Show.

Follow the link for more information about the competition and see some stories from previous winners

[bbc.co.uk/teach/young-reporter](https://bbc.co.uk/teach/young-reporter)





# School College Partnership Updates

School College Partnership Co Ordinator

Brenda Heenan



## Upcoming SCP Events

The SCP/FA Team have been out and about this month,

We recently attended the Engineering Open Day at Rosyth campus, it was a fantastic afternoon and very informative for all those who came along!

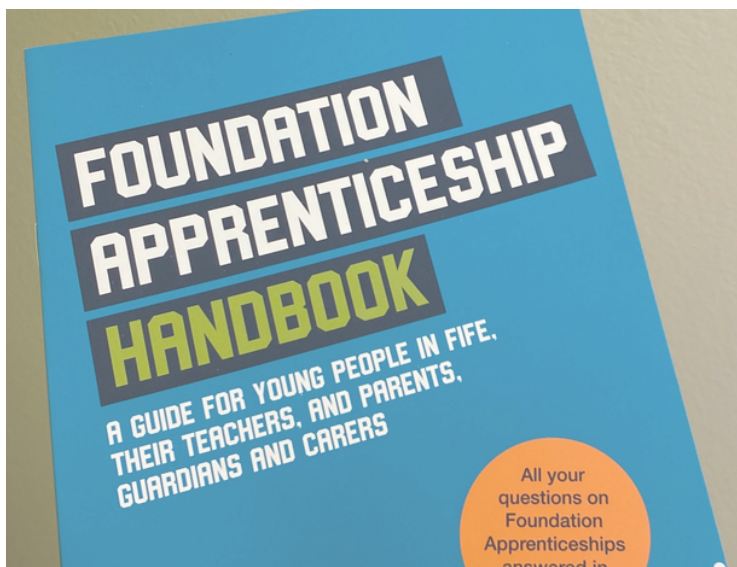
We have also recently attended events at schools across Fife

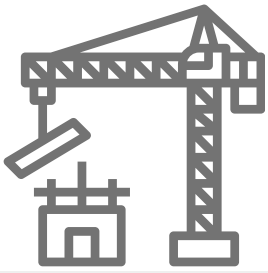
- Wednesday, 1 February – Course Choice Evening, Kirkcaldy High School**
- Friday, 3 February – Course Choice Presentation, Auchmuty High School**
- Tuesday, 7 February – Careers Fair, Glenrothes High School**
- Tuesday, 7 February – Careers Fair, Inverkeithing High School**

## Apprenticeship Week 2023

Apprenticeship week will run from 7 - 11 March

Throughout the week, top employers and organisations come together to showcase their opportunities to thousands of attendees, who are actively seeking an apprenticeship.



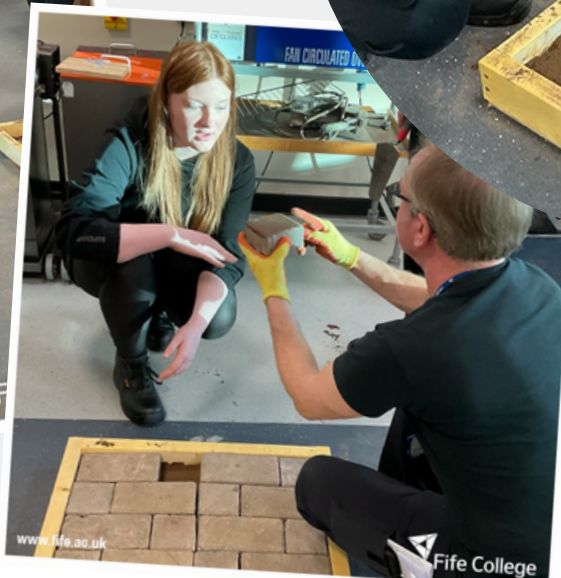


## QUEEN ANNE HS CONSTRUCTION DAY



On the 26th of January, Fife College hosted a Construction day at Queen Anne High School.

The event was attended by S3 pupils with our experienced college lecturers on hand to help. The pupils were able to experience different trades within the construction industry. This event was also supported by CR Smith, FES Group, JDB and Taylor Wimpey.



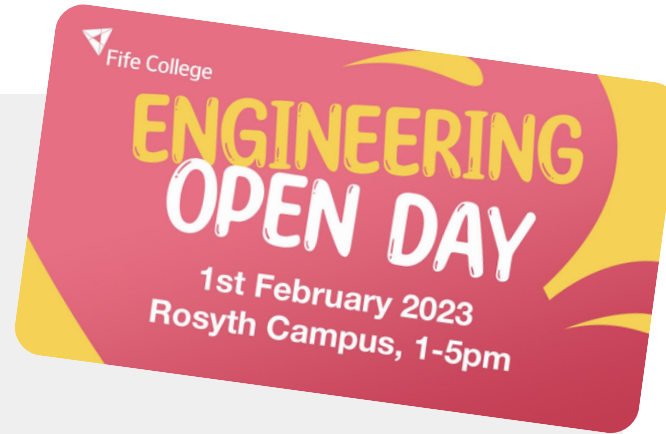
FOUNDATION APPRENTICESHIPS  
**GET A  
HEAD START  
IN YOUR CAREER**

## Foundation Apprenticeships Updates

### ENGINEERING OPEN DAY

On February 1st, young people from across Fife attended our Engineering Open Day at Fife College's Rosyth campus.

The event was open to anyone interested in studying Engineering. Our lecturers were on hand to answer any questions and give information about the range of courses available at Fife College



## 'Festive Five' project

In December, students studying Creative and Digital Media worked with with the FCSA (Fife College Student Association) on the 'Festive Five' project, see below for a word from Jade Burnett, the FCSA's Community Development Coordinator.



**Jade Burnett**  
**Community Development Coordinator, FCSA**



This FCSA Festive Five event takes place in December every year as part of Winter Wonderland. We run five competitions over five days that students can enter or participate in to win prizes.

This year the FCSA teamed up with the foundation apprenticeship creative and digital media, 2nd year, to design our promotional media. We delivered a brief to the second-year students with an outline of what we were looking for; we asked them to dive deep into our previous campaigns and analyse what they believed worked and what needed improving.

They then presented the FCSA with their plan for the campaign, received feedback and were given creative control to begin. They enlisted the support of the first years while acting as project managers for the duration of the partnership. Their work was excellent, and the FCSA was proud to use all of it! They created multiple videos for social media, adapted their graphics to meet the requirements of different platforms and completed everything on schedule. We look forward to working with the SCP groups again in the future.

