

WELCOME TO THE WORLD OF WORK



The Welcome to the World of Work (WWW) Day programme is another example of EBC's commitment to provide school pupils with stimulating, exciting and challenging ways of experiencing for themselves some of the complex issues facing people in the working environment whilst developing their key employability skills and enterprise awareness.

Using the successful, well established formula of EBC's large scale event portfolio up to 120 pupils experience a range of work related and enterprise activities which involve them taking on various roles within a company - from senior management to production line workers, and including trade union representatives.

The programme places a heavy emphasis on building up pupils' skills portfolios in particular areas they will need as they approach the time when they will be required to apply for jobs, college places, etc. It also provides young people with practical exposure to work related learning and enterprise education. Activities include analysing job adverts and completing application forms.

The programme for the WWW Days includes:

- Memory Mapping company staffing structures, site plans or distribution/production networks.
- Analysis of Job Adverts.
- Create artistic interpretations of both the nightmare and idea employee.
- Workers' - and Employers' - rights.

- Special Presentations on health and safety, the buyer's role and auditing procedures.
- A mini enterprise designed to see pupils take on various production and management roles within a company set up to produce marketable products on time and within budget.
- Putting together, and giving, a presentation.

Business supporters play a key role in either acting as team advisers/facilitators or in bringing their particular area of expertise to the event (i.e. health and safety, trade unionism).

Activities are also designed to develop vital skills required in the working world including:

- Team working.
- Problem solving.
- Decision making.
- Delegation.
- Negotiation.
- Communication skills.
- Literacy and numeracy.
- Entrepreneurship
- Creativity and innovation

Education Business Connections provides:

- Recruitment of businesses to deliver activities.
- Practical advice and guidance to business supporters on the proposed activities.
- Recruitment of schools to take part in the events.
- Full event organisation including arrangements for venues, transport and all related housekeeping aspects.
- Full post-event evaluation.