



Careers Week



Doncaster Primary
Careers Hub

PILOT PROJECT

Doncaster Opportunity Area
in partnership with Doncaster Council

In November 2021, we were welcomed into the Doncaster Primary Careers Project. A project with the aim of embedding careers-related learning in the primary setting.

Some of the main objectives were to:

- *Develop and or adapt school strategy to embed careers related learning across the school.*
 - *Address employment related inequalities / stereotypes across the curriculum*
 - *Schedule 2-3 key events in the academic year which focus on Careers challenging gender, women in STEM, BAME, disability etc.*
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Friday 10th June 2022



1 - Nick Fletcher - MP Don Valley

Nick Fletcher opened our careers week with a talk about what a day in the life of an MP is like.

He told us that the worst part of his job was being away from his family for 4 days a week when he has to work in London. The best part of his job was meeting new people.

We found out that if he does not get voted back in, his job would finish immediately and he would have to go back to his old job as an electrician.

Nick was really interested in how we are using careers week to help challenge stereotypical ideas on job roles and how we can encourage children to believe they can do anything they set their minds to.

Monday 13th June AM



2 - Dr Ugo



We had lots of questions for Dr Ugo and found out lots of interesting facts about what its like working as a doctor in the NHS.

Dr Ugo told us that there are different names for different doctors who deal with different areas of the body or age groups. A children's doctor is called a paediatrician.

Everyday Dr Ugo can look after or help around 300 people! So his job is very busy. Dr Ugo said his job is also very challenging but he loves his job especially when he helps someone get better.

It takes a person who is caring and can be trusted to be a doctor as people need to feel comfortable explaining what is wrong. Dr Ugo said it takes between 5 to 6 years to train to become a doctor and

if you want to be a doctor you should work hard at school, be punctual, have good behaviour and have good team and listening skills.

We also got to use Dr Ugo's stethoscope to listen to our friends heart beat!



Mustafa - "I liked the doctor. He told me about the stethoscope. I want to be a doctor because I want to help people and when I go home I'll be happy."

Mikaela - "I want to be a doctor because I liked to take care of people"

Maja - "The doctor inspired me to become a doctor because I think I am a kind, caring person and would love to see people get better"



Using the grant funding, role play resources were purchased for all year groups to enable them to act out a variety of different roles. This is year 1 'working' for the NHS, taking care of poorly and injured patients and wearing their personal protection equipment!





Monday 13th June PM



3 - Doncaster Rovers

We had so much fun experiencing what a sports coach does with the team from Club Foundation Doncaster.

They talked about their role as football coaches and how they help with training for the matches.

They showed us different team games as the said to be a footballer you have to work well as part of a team. They also showed us various different exercises as you also need to be really fit to be a footballer too.

Afterwards the coaches gave medals to some children who they thought were great team players.

Noah - "I liked the football coaches from Doncaster Rovers because we did fun games in teams"

Wednesday 15th June AM



4 - Mayor of Doncaster Ros Jones

The Mayor of Doncaster came to see us to tell us about the importance of working for your local area. Mayor Jones told us how you have to be voted in by the local community and once you are elected you should try to deliver what you have said.

Mayors have to attend lots of meetings and they get lots of emails from people who might have problems or need help or even schools like ours! Mayor Jones helps to prioritise where money is spent and on what around Doncaster.

Mayors can be male or female. There isn't a lot of Mayors in Doncaster but there is a Mayor of South Yorkshire and he gets to wear the big chains around his neck.

We found out that Mayor Jones is really good at maths and used to be an accountant. She wanted to help people though so she became a councillor and from being a councillor and being good at maths she then became the Mayor of Doncaster!

Mayor Jones' least favourite part of the job when meeting are really long but she know they are essential to sort things out!

Mayor Jones' best part of the job is visiting schools and getting to meet children who have aspirations to achieve anything they want!

Aubrey - "I'd like to be a Mayor because you get to help lots of people. I would be good as a Mayor because I'm really kind and helpful"



Wednesday 15th June PM



5 - Rossington Parish Council

So in the morning we got to find out about who helps to look after Doncaster but in the afternoon we got to meet 2 of the 15 elected people who help to look after the community where we live.

We found out that unlike the Mayors job, Parish Councillors are actually a voluntary role but still need to be elected by the people.

Parish Councillors look after things like all the lovely flower beds in the village, the Christmas lights and lots of different events like the Jubilee and Bonfire nights. Next year the Parish Council are organising a scarecrow festival and they want our school to take part!

The Councillors asked us what we think Rossington needed and Freddie asked them about the braille signs and if there could be more. Another person asked if Rossington will be getting electric charging points for electric cars.

The councillors thought these were amazing questions and said they will certainly look into it!

Ethan - "Listening to the parish council was interesting because we can see what they do for our community. I would be a Parish Councillor so I could request new things for Rossington"



Thursday 16th June - all day!



6 - The Police

The last day of our careers week and we had the Police come and visit with their equipment, their police van and police car. We think we need to apologise to the neighbours as we all loved making the siren go.



All the children got to meet with the police and explore the vehicles. Children from reception upwards also had a question time where they got to ask lots of questions about what it's like working for the police.

This is what they found out!

There's all different jobs working for the police, some are dog handlers, some are off road bikers that ride motorbikes to chase people.

Officers who use drones to get a better view of the area, police who fly helicopters, some ride horses and these are just some of the jobs you can do!







You can wear different types of uniforms depending on what job you are going. Some wear all black or you can wear a high viz vest that holds lots of equipment, some even wear like an all in one boiler suit with a helmet and visor and carry a shield!



Harper - "I liked the police because I liked all the different uniforms they had."



Arel - " I didn't realise that the police had to carry so many things on their vest."



Police have lots of different equipment like batons, pepper spray, torch, walkie talkie, camera and handcuffs. It can be quite heavy carrying all this equipment but also very hot especially on a day like today.







*The police do get to drive fast but they always drive making sure that the public will always be safe.
The police like it when other drivers let them pass when they have their blue lights on so they can get
to the emergency quicker, it might even save a life.*



Georgia - "I'm so excited this has been my best week. I want to drive a police car to catch the naughty people."



Everyday can be totally different from warrants to look around houses, chasing robbers, helping ambulances and stopping fights. On average they deal with 10 to 20 crimes a day!





To become a police officer you have to have good grades, be well behaved, be a good person and respect others. You have to follow rules, go to university and train hard.





Laila - "I liked it when the police said they fight all sorts of crime. They don't just catch robbers, they get lots of criminals".



We had a great day with the police, they joined us for lunch and played football with us at lunchtime too!

We know that if we needed help from the police the number to dial is 999.



Reception have enjoyed having their own police station outside in the EYFS area with all the role play resources purchased from the grant funding.



Rewards Assembly



At the end of the week we had a sharing assembly showcasing some of the amazing work about careers.

Primary Careers Grant

The grant from Doncaster's Primary Careers pilot enabled us to:

- *Purchase a wide range of books on careers and inspirational people.*
- *Enhance our small world resources for the early years and create role play areas.*
 - *Have a day of STEM with the help from Maker Futures.*
 - *Deliver a Forensic Science event.*
- *Research superheroes both fictional and everyday heroes.*

- *Further educate staff on how stereotypical and bias ideas are embedded in young children and to challenge those stereotypes when they are heard.*
 - *Encourage children to explore, question roles and responsibilities by creating spaces that are inclusive and engaging.*
 - *Introduce a wide range of role models in school with differing backgrounds, ethnicity, and gender.*
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