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Covid-19 Safety REMINDER

It is **recommended** for all students, staff and visitors to wear face coverings in **all learning and social spaces** at the College.

Face coverings reduce the spread of Coronavirus droplets from coughs, sneezes and speaking, alongside regular hand washing and social distancing.

Since our last edition, we've celebrated occasions such as **Halloween, Christmas** and **New Year** with our family and friends. The seasons have started to change, and warmer weather and longer days are slowly approaching us. This term our students have got involved in a variety of amazing activities from a **shoe box collection, a battle of the Zodiac signs competition** to **free massages for NHS workers**.

As usual our students have been working hard and keeping busy and we're proud to show off the stories and events from around the College.

NEW HIGHER EDUCATION GUIDE LAUNCHED!

Have you heard? We recently launched our new Higher Education Course Guide for 2022/23!

Although the UCAS deadline has passed, it's never too late to think about your next steps in achieving that dream career. Explore your options at East Surrey College. We offer a range of different qualifications with a strong careers focus and clear progression routes into employment or further study. By applying to ESC you can study in a familiar environment, with smaller class sizes, lower fees than University and flexible entry requirements.

Pick up a copy of the guide from reception or Client Services and discover a course you love. Alternatively, you can view the guide by scanning the QR code.



OPEN EVENT DATES

Don't forget to let your friends and family know we have Open Events coming up!

Our Open Events are a great way to engage with expert tutors and explore the College's first-class facilities. Visitors will have the opportunity to find out more about our range of Full-time, Part-time and Higher Education courses as well as Apprenticeships.

Upcoming Open Events:

Wednesday 23 February 2022, 17:30-19:30

Saturday 11 June 2022, 10:30-12:30

Pre-register online at www.esc.ac.uk



ARMISTICE DAY

Students and staff came together on 11 November in recognition of Armistice Day 2021, remembering and honouring all those who suffered or died in war. Our Public Services students helped begin the ceremony with a parade and students from each curriculum area laid wreaths, many of which had been designed and created by the students themselves.

We were proud to mark the occasion with members of staff who have served or continue to serve in the Armed Forces.

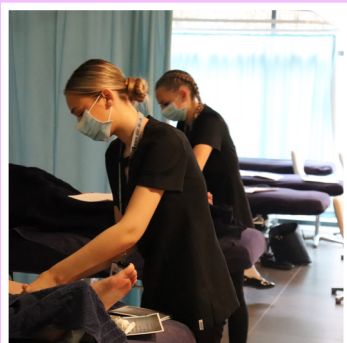


Free Massages for NHS staff

Our Beauty Therapy Level 3 students gave back to the community, as they provided complimentary massages for NHS staff.

Visitors were very happy with the service and gave great thanks to our students. It was a brilliant opportunity for our students to put into practice the skills they have learnt so far.

THANK YOU NHS!



Shoe box Collection

Our Public Services and Health & Social Care students were busy during December collating items for gift boxes to give to patients at East Surrey Hospital. Students and staff delivered the boxes and were welcomed by grateful NHS staff.

Well done to all students involved and thank you for your generous contributions!



Meeting Crispin Blunt MP

Business, Accounting and Public Services students were delighted to welcome Crispin Blunt, Member of Parliament for Reigate & Banstead, who spoke to students about their home constituencies and career objectives. Mr Blunt also gave students an insight into his career, from his military education at The Royal Military Academy Sandhurst to his election as an MP in 1998.

Thank you Mr Blunt for sharing your experience and time!



BATTLE OF THE ZODIAC SIGNS

Our Theatrical, Special Effects & Media Make-Up Level 3 and Hairdressing Level 3 students joined forces for an exciting Christmas competition! Students took inspiration from different star signs, prepared mood boards and finalised their looks! Students were judged based on creativity and technical skill.

Congratulations to the following students:

Make-Up:

1st Place - Sophie

2nd Place - Mia

3rd Place - Lauren

Hairdressing:

1st Place: Hannah

2nd Place: Elyse

3rd Place: Ellie



Life Skills - Volunteering



Our Life Skills – SEND Entry Level 1 students have been helping out in the local community through a range of exciting voluntary projects. Students have been busy collecting food donations for two local food banks, litter picking at the Merstham Hub, working at the Community Fridge and in the Merstham Allotments.

Students and MCFT volunteers were also invited to meet Cllr Jill Bray, Mayor of Reigate & Banstead, who wished to thank everyone for their active involvement within the community.



Gibsons Games Project

Our **Art & Design** Level 3 Year 2 students have been working hard on a creative project with Gibsons Games!

Our students were given a brief from Emily, Head of Project Development and Demi, Product Development Assistant to refresh some existing board game packaging. Over the last couple of weeks, our students have redesigned some iconic board games including Pass the Bomb and Hare & Tortoise. Students presented their ideas to the industry experts from initial mood boards to complete prototypes.



CARPENTRY COMPETITION

Carpentry Level 1 students had to manufacture a gallows bracket for an internal competition. Student work was judged based on the tutor's specification and were rated with a Pass, Merit or Distinction. Students could win a wood chisel and spanners.

Congratulations to the following students!

Group A

1st Place: Zak

2nd Place: Jayden

Group B

1st Place: Josh

2nd Place: Max



Welcome to your Student Union

This term we have been busy, busy, busy with planning and organising some exciting upcoming events! Keep a look out for our new web page coming soon and for the latest activities, follow the College's social media pages - you don't want to miss out!

Meet Jhalak

President of the Student Union
& Student Governor



- Hi everyone,
- Happy New Year from the Student Union!
- This year we've planned and prepared exciting things for all students to get involved in. It's also been lovely to be back to a bit of normality with **face-to-face lessons, college trips** and **SU projects**. I wanted to be Student President as I wanted to be at the forefront of making a difference within our College and to plan various events to **make a positive impact to College initiatives**. Since starting the role, I have really enjoyed planning and organising various charity and fundraising events around the College. If you have any ideas, please come forward to the **Student Union** and we will try to make it happen!
- My favourite thing about the College is **meeting lots of new people** from different walks of life and building strong friendships and bonds that can last for years. My plan for the upcoming academic year is to study Children's Nursing at university and once I have completed my degree I hope to start working as Paediatric Nurse.

Coming Soon:

Check out our NEW Student Union webpage to interact with us!

Words of wisdom for this term:

Be who you want to be, an original is worth more than a copy. Confidence is like a muscle, the more you use it, the stronger it gets!

I hope you all have a great beginning of term and I cannot wait to see what this year brings.

Jhalak



**student
UNION**
EAST SURREY COLLEGE

DONATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS

Our Student Union helped coordinate the 'unwanted' presents campaign alongside Enrichment Officer Harvey. Students across both Colleges were donating presents to Centrepont, a charity supporting homeless young people!

A massive thank you to all those that donated!



What has the SU done?

- Taken student views to Board meetings with governors
- Collected food for a local foodbank
- Collected 'unwanted' Christmas presents for Centrepont
- Planned upcoming events

Reasons to get involved!

- Turn your feedback into an action
- Help build the College community
- Develop skills for your CV
- Meet new people
- Enjoy a variety of activities

WELLBEING HUB

If you're feeling anxious or worried about what the New Year will bring, remember you are not alone!

Please look at the Wellbeing Hub on our website and interact with our supportive website resources, our useful tips for maintaining mental health and watching videos to discover guidance on a variety of topics.

Our Safeguarding Team also provide individual support whilst you're at College and ensure you get the help you need.

Visit www.esc.ac.uk/wellbeing-hub for more information about the different support services available.



WELLBEING WORDSEARCH

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RELAXING

MINDFULNESS

CALM

ACTIVITY

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EXERCISE

SOCIALISING

SLEEP

HEALTH

GYM

WELLBEING

VEGETABLE

GYM

MOVING

FUN

OUTDOORS

RUNNING

BANANAS

ACTIVITY PROGRAMME

SPRING TERM



Take a break from studying and try something new!

Get involved with our new Spring term Enrichment activities including **Multi-sport**, **Cooking**, **LGBTQ+ Society** and so much more. To see our full Activity Programme, scan the QR code below or visit our website: www.esc.ac.uk/enrichment.

All sessions need to be booked in advance – to book a session visit Harvey Kellard in the Activity Hub (Room D115) or email enrichment@esc.ac.uk



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

PANCAKE DAY

1 March

NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK

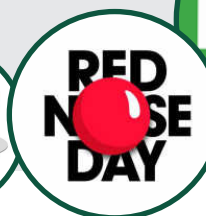
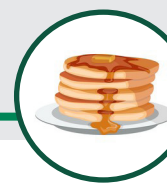
7 - 12 March

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

8 March

RED NOSE DAY

18 March



CAREERS HUB

We are pleased to announce we have made new and exciting changes to our Careers Hub on our website!

The Careers Team ensures students can be supported through:

- Their UCAS application
- CV drop-ins
- Finding work experience placements
- Assisting with job applications
- and much more!

Students and parent/carers can discover a wide range of resources when visiting the dedicated resource page which breaks down the available options.

Find out what dream career could be in your future by completing our Skills-o-meter quiz, or maybe use our Career-o-meter to compare different job occupations!

Skills-o-meter Quiz:

FIND YOUR DREAM CAREER

Discover your future career by starting the Skills-o-meter Quiz. Reflect on a number of statements and once completed, a shortlist of job suggestions linked to your interests and skills will be displayed.

Realistic	Enterprising	Realistic
Assemble electronic parts	Manage a department within a large company	Test the quality of parts before shipment
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PROGRESS		

Career-o-meter:

Use the Careerometer* below to explore and compare key information

UK Average	
Weekly Pay £505	Annual Pay £26,260
Hours/Week 37.5h	Hourly Pay £13
Workforce Change (projected)	
Growth 6%	Replacement 39.5%
<small>The workforce is projected to grow by 6% over the period to 2025, creating 1,376,000 jobs in the same period. 35.5% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 13,116,000 job openings.</small>	
<small>This is the average combined for all industries across the UK. The pay and hours are that of an average full-time employee in this job, including bonuses, before tax and deductions.</small>	
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Contact the
Careers Team
by email:
careershub@esc.ac.uk

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Why choose ESC?

- // Excellent facilities
- // Great transport links from London, Croydon and across the South East
- // Industry experienced tutors
- // Lower fees than universities
- // Small class sizes
- // Flexible entry requirements



START SEPT 2022!

For more information and to apply visit:
www.esc.ac.uk/higher-education
or call our Client Services team on: 01737 788444

PART-TIME COURSES FOR ADULTS

Don't miss out - we have upcoming part-time courses running this term!

A part-time course is an excellent opportunity to develop your skills and improve your employability.

If you or someone you know want to learn a new skills or gain a qualification, check out our part-time course list.

It's not too late to sign up for our classes starting this March and April.



PROGRESS YOUR CAREER > RETURN TO WORK > DEVELOP A NEW SKILL

EXAM CERTIFICATES

If you are a returning student, your tutor will let you know when your certificates are ready for collection.

**NEED
EXTRA HELP
WITH YOUR
ENGLISH OR
MATHS?**

What's available?

GCSE Revision
Breakfast club

GCSE English &
Maths Mentoring

GCSE Half-term
Revision Workshops

If you would like to attend additional GCSE revision sessions, please email: egates@esc.ac.uk to find out more and reserve your place! Keep updated with what's available on our website: www.esc.ac.uk/maths-and-english

KEEP UP TO DATE

Interact with our social media to hear about upcoming news and events as well as important ESC updates!



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Includes a significant work placement

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We want to hear from YOU!

We're encouraging our students to step forward and shout out about their course, a completed work placement, a competition success or what you love about our college environment!

Email: marketing@esc.ac.uk or message us on our socials to get your story featured on one of our platforms!

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