



# THE RIDGE NEWS



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# Curriculum News



## PSHE

This term we have been learning how we can take care of ourselves. Our sessions have included, personal hygiene, healthy eating and exercise.

## Horticulture

Our horticulture team have been working hard down at the allotment this term. They are growing produce for the Bev-Ridge Café and learning about health and safety, seasonal vegetables and maintenance.



## Sport



Learners have been taking part in football and cricket sessions. They are learning about the importance of healthy eating, keeping fit and developing skills in sport.

## DOFE

The DofE group have been out walking this term and learning how to build Trangias and put up tents. The Gold and Silver groups have completed walks to prepare for their expeditions.



## Adventure skills

Learners are taking part in adventure skills where they have enjoyed an insight into the DofE program and accessed all activities. Brandon has completed his Gold award for DofE and is now a Young Leader & volunteer in the Adventure skills and DofE group.



## TRAVEL TRAINING

Learners are developing their skills out in the community and learning how to travel independently. This includes road safety and personal safety.





YOUTH  
CAN  
DO IT

PRINCES TRUST

Prince's Trust is a widely recognized award that we offer at The Ridge. We learn about enterprise and business opportunities.

"In 2021 I was really excited to start Princes Trust again. I talk about business and customer service.

This is a great opportunity for me as I'd like to do customer services when I leave college".

-DL

HOSPITALITY & CATERING

Ebor Cafe – Learners in Ebor Café are preparing and cooking meals for staff and learners in the college. This platform is to help develop skills in the kitchen before moving on to our Training platform Bev-Ridge Café.

We now have learners who have moved on to our training platform at The Bev-Ridge Café where they can develop customer service skills that are needed for the hospitality and catering sector.



# Youth Bank

The Ridge is now offering a Youth Bank enterprise project.

The Youth Bank is a project set up for learners to apply for funding to help buy equipment that they will need for their sessions, i.e. steel toe cap boots, sportswear, walking boots.

Learners are researching information about the enterprise project and learning about profit or loss and what these mean. They have been working hard and developing ideas to help drive this project for current and future learners at the college. **See next page for latest ideas.**



# Youth Bank poster



*Help to buy  
equipment for your  
sessions.*



The Ridge Youth Bank

Jack & Danielle

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*Help to  
apply  
within  
college.*

**Youth Bank**  
**APPLICATION FORM.**

NAME:	DATE OF BIRTH: / /
ADDRESS:	POSTAL ADDRESS:
PHONE NUMBER:	MOBILE NUMBER:
EMERGENCY NAME: <input type="checkbox"/> PHONE: <input type="checkbox"/>	

*Help to travel  
to sessions.*



# Training platforms

Hairlines  
Grow Ridge  
Bev-Ridge  
Sew Ridge  
Fleet Management



## Innovative, inclusive opportunities at The Ridge

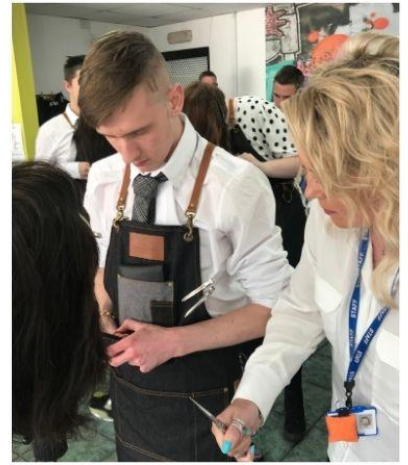
THE RIDGE ARE NOW OFFERING TRAINING PLATFORMS FOR  
LEARNERS THAT PROVIDE HANDS ON WORK  
EXPERIENCE TO DEVELOP EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS.

# Hairlines @ The Ridge

The Ridge Employability College have teamed up with local salon Hairlines to introduce a new training platform for learners which will offer employment opportunities develop transferable skills in a working hair salon.

Local Salon owner Sharon Lawrance has offered her skills and expertise to help create a platform for young learners at the Ridge Employability College which specializes in SEND post 16 provision and enables positive employability outcomes for graduates. During the pandemic Sharon wanted to give back to the community

and made the decision to volunteer at The Ridge, this has resulted in 7 learners attending one day a week at the salon. This enabled learners to develop new skills such as, health and safety in the workplace, professional manner and cutting hair! Sharon said 'I feel it is a great opportunity for young people and if we can do anything to widen their career goals and experiences then we should, that is what the college is all about!'



The training platform is very inclusive of learners additional needs and Sharon is now working towards getting a recognized certification for learners who complete their training.

Chloe a learner at The Ridge said 'I never thought of being a hairdresser until I was given this opportunity, I really enjoy it.'

For more information about The Ridge or this programme please contact us.

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## Hairdressers journal

Learners featured in the hairdressers journal showing just how far they have come and what an outstanding an innovative training platform this really is.

Well done everyone and a big thank you to Sharon Lawrance for creating such an inclusive and diverse opportunity at The Ridge.





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# Grow Ridge

## TRAINING PLATFORM

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### *LEARNERS GROW FRESH PRODUCE FOR LOCAL CAFE.*

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Learners from The Ridge have been working hard building their own allotment and developing skills in horticulture. What started as a small project has now turned into a working allotment that sources fresh fruits and veg to local café The Bev-Ridge. This has been a great opportunity for learners to discover many aspects of horticulture such as maintenance, seasonal vegetables and enterprise.



## Bev Ridge Cafe

Learners from The Ridge have been attending our training platform at Bev Ridge Café to develop transferrable skills

In hospitality and catering.

Dawn and Cassie who run the platform have been working hard to equip learners with the skills they need to enter employment in this industry. Learners are encouraged to build knowledge in various aspects including customer service, money handling, cooking and food hygiene.

Learners attending this training platform are fully supported by the staff on the café who are always on hand to help whilst promoting independence.



"I like to keep myself busy working with staff and learners, I like to meet the customers and chat to people".

HOLLY B



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# SEW RIDGE

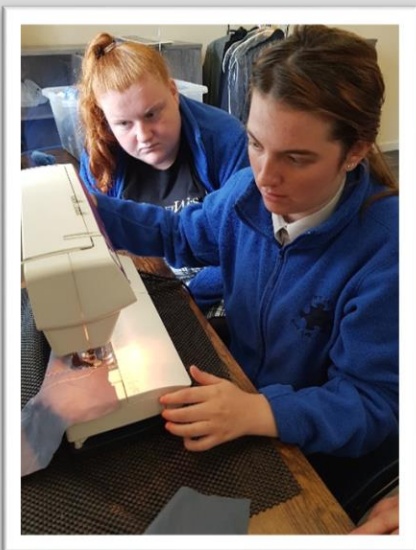
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Our new training platform 'Sew Ridge' is now operational.

Learners are learning how to knit with the local community which will be advertised as 'Knit and natter'. This is to promote community group skills and involve the local community with this fantastic intergenerational project.

We have various volunteers getting involved to develop learners skills with sewing machines and embroidery and the final products will be sold through charity events linked to the college.

We are currently making our own scissor cases with personalized embroidery.



# Fleet Management

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Our fleet management training platform is a learning opportunity to develop transferable skills in Vehicle management and maintenance. Learners are working hard to complete safety checks, identifying appropriate PPE and maintaining the college buses ready for daily use. The drivers are incredibly happy with their services.

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# Latest News

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## October



Sew Ridge have received orders from the Prince's Trust group, so the Sew-Ridge Group will be busy completing orders for 15th November 2021 to support NDDT's Christmas Fayre

T.J has been developing his skills in animal care at his work placement this term. He has shown a good knowledge of caring for the Arabian mare and is really enjoying his experience at the stables.



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# Latest News

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## October



The Horticulture team have been buying bulbs and winter flowering plants for the new raised beds they have been making, situated outside the Bev-Ridge cafe. They then took part in planting them up to help give the outside space some winter colour.

The DofE team undertook a 4 mile walk and joined college graduates with their PA's at a local apple orchard. Collectively they volunteered to pick apples for Bev-Ridge Café. Everyone enjoyed their apple crumbles! Thanks team!



# Getting to know Gemma

Learners in the media group had a group discussion to decide what questions they would like to ask to get to know Gemma.

**Whats your favourite Car? Mercedes**

**Have you got any pets? 2 dogs, a bulldog called Lily and a Jack Russell called Clover.**

**Whats your favourite food? Italian Bruschetta.**

**What football team do you support? England**

**Do you have any brothers or sisters? I have no brothers and 1 older sister.**

**What is your favourite holiday destination? Dubai**

**Whats your favourite session in college? Media**

**What do you enjoy the most about College? Seeing the learners and helping them.**

**Who's your favourite artist? Kings of Leon**

**What are you going to be for Halloween? A cat!**

**Whats your favourite tv program? Coronation street.**

**Whats your favourite colour? Pink**

**Whats your favourite season? Autumn**



# Entertainment page



I ordered a chicken and an egg from amazon, ill let you know what came first.

**What is a zombies favourite cereals?  
Rice creepies.**

**What do you call a fat pumpkin? A Plumpkin.**

**Why didn't the skeleton go to school? Because his heart wasn't in it.**

**Why did the skeleton run up the tree?  
Because a dog was after his bones.**



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# The Ridge Media Team

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**Well done team!**

Learners in the Media group have been working hard this term to contribute to this month's Ridge News. They have taken part in interviews, contributed to the design and imagery and made decisions as to what they would like to feature this month.