



Waterloo Lodge School Careers News

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Volunteer week for pupils and staff at Waterloo Lodge school has been a huge success this week. Pupils have been out and volunteered in three local organisations, they have had experience in the workplace and have met some amazing staff and volunteers. Pupils have learnt what volunteering is and how it can support their career development and why it is important to support their communities. Following the volunteering pupils have expressed an interest in completing more voluntary work and have said that volunteering made them feel happy.

Help The Homeless Charity

Pupils from WLS 1 Form group visited a local independent charity in Chorley who work hard to support those who are at risk of/are affected by being homeless in the Chorley area. Our pupils visited on Monday 24th June 2024 and worked as a team to put together food parcels. Pupils worked alongside the amazing volunteers and staff within the charity.

Sue from the charity thanked the staff and pupils for their help and has welcomed the school back in the future.



Brothers of Charity

On Tuesday 25th, Wednesday 26th and Friday 28th June 2024 pupils from WLS 2, 3 and 6 Form groups visited the Brothers of Charity services in Chorley. This organisation provides services to over 250 people in the area with learning disabilities. This support includes supported living, residential nursing, dementia support, transitional services, and vocational enterprises. They completed horticulture activities, including maintaining the onsite garden and making hanging flower baskets which were put around the site.

The team leader Fran emailed to say: *'I just wanted to thank you for the volunteering that you guys carried out this week. The children have all been exceptional and an absolute credit to the school. The teachers have also been so lovely, they have all got involved and have been amazing with our staff and the people we support.'*



Buckshaw Retirement Village

This is the second time now that The Grange, within Buckshaw Retirement Village, has supported our pupils' careers development. Pupils from WLS 4 visited on Thursday 27th June 2024 to volunteer and completed arts and crafts and played board games with the residents. The pupils played Jenga, and captivated the room with how tall the tower became. They all had huge smiles on their faces, and really enjoyed the experience.

