

CHILDCARE & EARLY YEARS

Welcome to our Childcare and Early Years newsletter specially created for you to see what's been happening in the department you will be joining this September.

Our students have been working harder than ever, despite the lockdown restrictions, which meant new ways of study from home for much of the year.

Highlights include some great university offers and a visit from former student, Anthony Simpson, now a published author and mental health professional.

HOW TO SAVE A BABY'S LIFE

Westleigh Start Well Family Centre held a practical first aid class for students on how to save a baby's life.

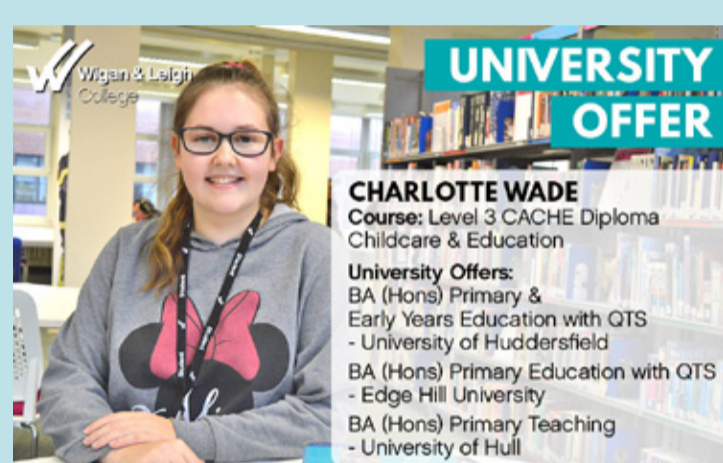
Students learned about why a baby may stop breathing or lose consciousness. The team demonstrated cardiopulmonary resuscitation or CPR techniques and how to deal with choking and drowning.



UNIVERSITY OFFERS

Charlotte Wade is set to become a primary school teacher. The former Bishop Rawstone pupil has university offers from **Edge Hill University**, **University of Hull** and **University Of Huddersfield**.

"The tutors are very helpful and I have especially enjoyed learning how to put lesson plans into action in real settings."



Megan Hardcastle also has her sights set on becoming a primary school teacher and with offers to study at the **University of Chester**, **Edge Hill University** and **University of Hull**, she is set for a great start to her career.

AUTHOR ANTONY ON MENTAL HEALTH WISDOM

Published author and practising specialist nurse, Anthony Simpson, studied Level 3 Childcare at the College from 2002 to 2004.

His book, **Mental Health Wisdom - (Developing Understanding & Empathy)** has sold in the UK, Europe and as far as Australia.

Anthony faces his own challenges having been diagnosed with a form of bi-polar, Cyclothymic Disorder, at the age of 15.

After gaining Distinctions at College, he progressed to higher education at the University of Central Lancashire graduating with a degree in Children's Nursing.

"All of my tutors were inspirational and motivating. I was able to build my confidence at College," said Anthony.

Anthony currently works as an Alcohol Nurse Specialist for Adults, Children and Young People at Royal Oldham Hospital.



CHILDREN IN NEED

Students and staff rose to the challenge of fundraising for Children in Need. Early Years teams created and sold Pudsey themed pebble art, while budding Hair and Beauty experts put their creative nail skills into practice in exchange for donations to the national campaign. Others took part in a 500m indoor rowing challenge.

Meanwhile, Pagefield students paid for the pleasure of soaking their tutors in a sponge throwing session. The College raised almost £300.



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