

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES



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A HAPPY STUDENT IS A PRODUCTIVE STUDENT!

Whether it's kicking a few footballs into the back of the net that gets our students' hearts racing, or honing their culinary skills with some Persian Cooking, or getting snap-happy with our photography workshops, we have all the bases covered with our weekly enrichment activities! This year's additional activities also include our Arts Club, where students came together to create our new anti-bullying posters as part of Bullying Awareness Week, and Debate Club, where students were invited to City Hall to present their case for LGBTQ rights to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the decriminalisation of homosexuality in the UK. Even our budding actors tried their performance skills with our drama workshops whilst anyone looking to spice up their job applications only need pop in to our CV writing workshops. Tech City has you covered!



STUDENT VOICE CONFERENCE



Head Boy: Guilherme Teixeira
Head girl: Erica Soares

AWARDS



STUDENTS HAVE THEIR SAY...

Year 11s and 12s will all have a chance to have their say at this year's Student Voice Conference on **15th December 2017**, led by the Student Parliament and our head boy and girl, Guilherme Teixeira and Erica Soares Gomes. This is where students get to see the difference they make when they get involved in decision making with the College senior managers and leaders.



AUTUMN TERM - ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS CEREMONY

'Self-Worth' – Most Supportive Students:

Liam Fowling, Ana Carolina Marques Sousa
AIII Computer Science students
Staff Award – Kim Ogden

'Engagement' – Best Performing Students:

Valdas Gliozeris, Rosina Allum, Afshana Hosen and Daniel Ohiagbaji
Staff Award – Paola Fossanova

Principal's Special Award

Guilherme Teixeira

'Purpose' – Students Making a Difference

Deniz Elbeyioglu, Ulas Keklik, Hugo Garcia and Shahid Pandor
Staff Award – Hang Zhang



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RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

THINGS HEAT UP IN OUR ANNUAL AEP TOURNAMENT!



AEP PROJECT

This term's **'Aspirations Employability Project'** competition was tough as student teams went head-to-head to see who could most impress the panel of judges with their design and innovation to upgrade Kingston Bus Station. Students were consulted by Bam Nuttall, a large national civil engineering company, to research and present how innovative technologies could best be utilised to help TFL to improve Kingston Bus Station and attract more daily users and make it more sustainable.

Judges from a range of sectors were wowed by the teamwork and initiatives on display as student groups demonstrated their research of raw materials, environmental factors and their conducting of street interviews with members of the public before showcasing their own designs for a more dynamic and modern bus station with new innovative technologies and sustainability ideas. We were delighted to see one team, Nova Neoterix, take their winning presentation to the finals in Middlesex and show why they are a hot talent to watch!



SKILLS EVENT 2017

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Tech City staff and students enjoyed promoting the College at the recent Skills Event on 24th and 25th November, at the Excel Centre in London. Students did an excellent job of showcasing the work and courses that Tech City has to offer, not to mention offering their own experience and knowledge of college life at Tech City. The college also received lots of interest from companies such as Samsung, Heathrow and HS2 whom we hope to see delivering recruitment talks at the college at the start of the new year.



CAREERS and APPRENTICESHIP



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HIGHER EDUCATION FAIR

The new term kicked off with our annual Higher Education Fair where students got to meet with a host of universities from City University, Middlesex University, the University of Westminster and many more, and discuss what subjects to pursue after college. This was also a great opportunity for them to learn about university life and discuss topics such as student finance, how to find the right university and how to write the perfect personal statement. Our early bird year 13 students who applied early have already received fantastic offers from Russell Group Universities in Science, Computing and Engineering.



ISLINGTON EMPLOYMENT AND SKILLS TEAM APPRENTICESHIP PRESENTATION

Chris Homewood, the Youth Employment Officer for the London Borough of Islington, visited the college on 6th December to present to the students what it is like to be an apprentice, what sort of pay to expect, and the pros and cons of higher level apprenticeships versus university. In addition, employers such as Dragon Hall and Zuri Technologies have made offers of work experience placements which will lead to apprenticeships in the 2018/19 academic year for our students.



LEADERS OF THE FOOD INDUSTRY MEET OUR STUDENTS!

Students were delighted to have Sainsbury's, Marks and Spencer and KP Snacks ambassadors all join them for an afternoon of employability workshopping at Tech City College. The aim of this workshop was to encourage students to reflect on the opportunities available to them in the future in any sector and discuss what they can be doing now to get there. Through a series of fun practical exercises students not only learnt about the many careers available to them across the food industry but also how to network and stand out with potential employers. Time to make those CVs and job applications shine!



UPCOMING EVENTS

For further information visit:
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ENROLMENT

Open Enrolment for 2018/19

Drop-in for interview & enrolment

Every Monday to Thursday 2.30pm to
6.00pm

OPEN EVENING



FREE STEM Festival



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CHRISTMAS IS COMING – LET'S SEE THOSE FESTIVE JUMPERS!

As we approach the Winter Holidays and thoughts turn to mince pies and Mariah Carey sing-a-longs, we will be holding two special events to get students into the festive spirit and help raise some cash for the students' chosen charity, Children in Need!

- Wednesday 13th December – Student Christmas Party! Students were treated to an extra special Christmas spread by the senior managers and staff!
- Friday 15th December – Christmas Jumper Day! Reindeer antlers, ho-ho-Santas, smiley snowmen... students and staff wear the festive knitwear and bring some Christmas vibes to the College!



Students will have to pay £1 for each event, all donations go to students' chosen charity, Children in need. Happy holidays!

CALLING ALL SCIENCE AND TECH ENTHUSIASTS - POP DOWN TO OUR NEXT OPEN EVENING!

Come and try out the exciting taster sessions in the subjects of your interest!

After a fantastic Open Evening in November we will be holding our next Open Evening on **Tuesday January 16th 2018**, from **4.30pm to 6.30pm**. From potato-powered circuits and gravity-defying liquids to elephant toothpaste, who knows what other exciting workshops there'll be on offer! If you're unable to make this date then fret not, we'll also be running an Open Evening on **Thursday 19th April 2018**.

STEMFest is BACK! Everyone is Invited!

After a super successful turn out last year we are thrilled to bring you STEMfest 2018! As always we will be showcasing our exciting STEM-related projects to inspire students and families and reignite the passion for all things science! With companies such as London Met Uni, TechMix, Dragon Hall, Space Academy, Initiative for Interstellar Studies, Big Bang, Understanding Animal Research and Barclays Life Skills already having expressed an interest in joining us, it's sure to be a blast!

SO SAVE THE DATE – WEDNESDAY 14th MARCH 2018!!