

APPRENTICESHIP UPDATE

December 2019



MEET THE APPRENTICESHIP TEAM

ISSUE #1

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Welcome to our new apprenticeship termly newsletter, I am looking forward to updating you regularly on all things apprenticeships and to be able to describe our progress in improving our apprenticeship provision and building on previous success.

This month we welcome new members of the apprenticeship management team and our new year one Apprentices. We talk about our engagement with ICE, update you on our new e-learning provision and get out and about with our Apprentices.

NEW TEAM

James Culley – Director of Apprenticeships

James has overall responsibility and is the strategic lead for the Apprenticeship provision.



Mark Watson – Director of Technical Curriculum

Mark is responsible for the Technical Curriculum aspect of the Apprenticeship provision which includes the BTEC qualifications.



Dean Stanford – Apprenticeships Manager

Dean is responsible for the day to day running of the provision which includes liaising with apprentices, employers and colleagues at LDE UTC.



Mike Connolly – Work Based Learning Assessor

Mike is an assessor and trainer within the apprenticeship team, which involves assessing Work Based Learning and training onsite at LDE UTC.



Shailesh Parmar – Work Based Learning Assessor

Shailesh meets regularly with apprentices to review the Work Based Learning aspect of their apprenticeship.



Ayeesha Bhamji – PA to Director of Apprenticeships

Ayeesha is the Personal Assistant to James Culley and provides administrative support to the team.

To ensure that we support you in preparation for a successful EPA, we will be working very closely with EPA bodies such as the ICE.



The team have recently attended a number of EPA information events and we are excited to announce that very early in the new year (dates to be announced) representatives from the ICE will be visiting the UTC to deliver information on the EPA process to our Apprentices and employers.

Ice Membership

For students who wish to become a member of the Institution of Civil Engineers, you can click on the following link to begin the free registration process <https://www.ice.org.uk/student-application/welcome>

CIVIL ENGINEER TECHNICIAN APPRENTICES PRACTICE TWO PEG LEVELLING

OUT & ABOUT

Recently the Level 3 Civil Engineering Technician apprentices enjoyed a practical undertaking a two peg test and levelling for a sewer line.

Buddhika (tutor) said “It was a successful practical involving group work and a leadership role, getting hands on with the surveying equipment, despite the weather it was a fantastic session!”.

Joseph Price (Apprentice) said “Buddhika directed us in a clear and instructive manner. Due to not having any experience with levelling equipment, I was pleased to leave the task with my new found knowledge of levelling.”

We will be covering various activities in our ‘Out & About’ section in the future



COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

We are on Twitter! We have recently set up an Apprenticeships Twitter page, be sure to follow us to keep you up to date with upcoming events, news and celebrations of our amazing Apprentices and employer: **@LDEUTCApprenti1**

If you are interested in the UTC's wider activities check out our main twitter account: **@LDEUTC**



TURNITIN ASSESSMENT & DEADLINES

Recently we consulted with our apprentices and as a result of feedback on our deadline and hand in protocol we have implemented a solution called Turnitin which ensures Deadlines set by tutors are final and provides a complete solution for submitting work to your tutors.

As of January 2020 we will be making use of further elements of Turnitin such as the feedback studio, we will be releasing information on this in the coming weeks and will be running an information session.



E-LEARNING

We will again be running our e-learning module over the festive break, which provides you with the flexibility of working on your Knowledge, Skills and Behaviours virtually during periods of College closure.

We will be again using Microsoft Teams to set work with the addition of Turnitin for final hand in. Details on this will be released by your tutors towards the end of term.

CHRISTMAS BREAK DATES

Below are the dates relating to the Christmas break for apprentices which were also emailed out to apprentices and employers

College day	Year	Last date at LDE UTC for 2019	Return date at LDE UTC for 2020
Monday	3	Monday 16th December 2019	Monday 13th January 2020
Wednesday	2	Wednesday 18th December 2019 (1.30pm finish)	Wednesday 8th January 2020
Thursday	1	Thursday 12th December 2019	Thursday 9th January 2020

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Institute of Civil Engineers have a lecture taking place on **Wednesday 22nd January 2020 (6 – 8pm)** at the Institute of Civil Engineers.

The talk is said to provide a wide-ranging review of the type of support available for providing ground support and their limitations of use for deep excavations. This will include discussion on connection details, why these are important and where they can go wrong. The challenges associated with underpinning excavations will also be explored.

Further details of the lecture can be found by following the below link:

<https://www.ice.org.uk/events/john-mitchell-award-lecture-london>

For more information regarding this event email events@ice.org.uk

**FROM THE APPRENTICESHIPS TEAM
HAVE AN ENJOYABLE FESTIVE PERIOD**