# Year 7's talk with

## **Job Centre Plus (JCP)**

### **Dept for Works and Pensions (DWP)**



Part of the Department for Work and Pensions

## 6th June 2023

As part of Hailey Hall's commitment to supporting our students with employer visits from outside agencies. On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2023, Hailey Hall welcomed Viv and Heather from JCP based in Bedford, they are part of the Department of Works and Pensions that have a major role in supporting people in gaining work employment in the local area.

#### This is part of the Gatsby Benchmark 5 - "Encounters with Employers and Employees"

This morning they spoke to our current Year 7's. This is an ongoing partnership with JCP who have attended Hailey Hall in recent times to talk with our students on various topics related to future employment support and pathways.

Today's subjects were "Jobs for the future "and "Soft Skills". Examples of future jobs were given in a PowerPoint presentation and they discussed various "Soft skills" needed to help and support them in future career roles. The students interacted positively with the speakers and good discussions were had by all.



More talks have been arranged for later in June with Year 10 on Pre and Post-Work Experience week workshops and Year 9 with discussions on "Cost of Living" and how to manage financial matters.

JCP is a really busy and sought-after service that receives many requests from schools all over Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire to give talks related to work and employment pathways. Because of this, I have booked dates for the next academic year for all year groups.

Thanks to the staff who have supported these various sessions.

Mr Peter Gregory

Careers Lead