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## WHAT'S ON

**Advice & Enrolment**  
Wednesday 9th June 2010  
3.30pm-7.00pm

**Fresher's Parents Evening**  
Monday 14th June 2010, 6.30pm  
School of Health, Beauty & Care

**Fresher's Parents Evening**  
Tuesday 15th June 2010, 6.30pm  
School of Arts, Sport & Business

**Fresher's Parents Evening**  
Monday 16th June 2010, 6.30pm  
School of Life & Development Skills

**Advice & Enrolment**  
Saturday 19th June 2010  
10.00am-1.00pm

**Fresher's Parents Evening**  
Monday 21st June 2010, 6.30pm  
School of Construction

**Fresher's Parents Evening**  
Tuesday 22nd June 2010, 6.30pm  
School of Engineering

**Awards Ceremony**  
24th, 28th, 29th, 30th June 2010  
1st July 2010  
5.30 & 7.30pm

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Staff and pupils involved in the Global Awareness Project.

## COLLEGE COMPETITION SENDS PUPILS TO AMERICA

**North Lindsey College instructs two competition winners from a local school to pack their suitcases and prepare for a trip of a lifetime in America.**

Winning pupils from North Axholme School, Amanda Baker and Charlotte Caborn, were the lucky two who competed in a project over the past year on human migration, pairing up with students from Early College High School in America.

The competition was originally launched by the College Principal, Professor Roger Bennett, last year and following its success in 2009 the same format was to run again. This year the competition got tougher after being extended to three schools, Frederick Gough, North Axholme and St Bedes School.

The winning pair will get the opportunity to visit Los Angeles in June 2010 and see Hollywood, Huntington Beach and visit Disneyland. The winning team will also meet the students they worked with on the project at Early College High School and experience student life in the USA.

Each of the competing groups dedicated hours of their free time to meeting the challenges set them relating to human migration which included researching and describing in-depth the given topic, producing an introduction to the topic, evaluating and expanding upon initial research, developing a website, choosing a style for their website and building upon it.

Developed by North Lindsey College, in partnership with Coastline Community College, California, the annual event will enable a return visit giving students from the USA the opportunity to visit England. This year the pupils from America will be in the UK for the opening England World Cup game where England play the USA.

The winners will be looking forward to an action packed week in the glorious LA sunshine, which could see them practising their surfing skills and absorbing the LA culture. Runners up each received a trophy for their participation in the project and will be invited back to enjoy activities with the learners from the USA upon their return visit.



Hairdressing learner starting work on her model

## HEAD & SHOULDERS ABOVE THE COMPETITION!

The next generation of aspiring Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy learners took to the North Lindsey College salons to participate in a special skills showcase in preparation for WorldSkills 2010.

The learners took part in the College's first formal competition in their bid to be selected to represent the College in the regional qualifiers for WorldSkills 2010, a competition expected to attract more than 1,200 competitors from 50 countries.

As part of the skills showcase, Level 1 and 2 learners on the College's hairdressing programmes set to work creating stunning daytime styles and designs through to striking Avant-Garde looks. When judging the hairdressing competition, College lecturers were looking for the creative use of the learners' imaginations along with the advanced techniques they have been perfecting throughout their course. Many learners also took the opportunity to enhance the overall look of their model with the addition of costumes, make-up and accessories creating a 'total look'.

Whilst the hairdressers were getting to work on their creations, beauty therapists had just 3 hours 15 minutes to complete four treatments comprising a leg wax, manicure, facial and make-up. Judging the beauty therapists were Helen Argent from Time For You, Brigg and Michelle Burton from Shell's Sanctuary, Scunthorpe.

## PIPING HOT FUTURE FOR PLUMBING APPRENTICE

**A piping hot future lies ahead for an ambitious North Lindsey College plumbing apprentice after he scoops a prestigious industry award.**

Samuel Chapman, 19, an apprentice at North Lindsey College, was up against scores of other plumbing hopefuls all looking to pick up the Plumbing Student of the Year Award, issued by The Chartered Institute of Plumbing and Heating Engineers (CIPHE).

Currently studying for a level two City and Guilds qualification, Samuel was delighted to be nominated

for, and to ultimately walk away with, the award proving he is well on his way to securing his ambition of becoming a fully qualified plumber.

The CIPHE was founded in 1906 and is the professional body for the UK plumbing and heating industry.

The organisation has a membership of around 12,000 including approximately 260 manufacturers and distributors, which support its work as Industrial Associates.



Samuel Chapman

## ARMY TEAMBUILDING CHALLENGE

**In a departure from their normal timetable, motor vehicle learners at North Lindsey College got to spend a morning working alongside the Army to build their teamworking skills.**

Five Army personnel attended the event including four personnel from the Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers (REME) presentation team and Staff Sergeant Wayne Bramwell ACIO Scunthorpe. The Army team spent a whole

morning working alongside 21 learners studying on the Fast Fit Level 1 and 2 programmes to develop their skills in teamwork whilst also expanding their knowledge of the community roles undertaken by Army personnel.

For the main task learners were challenged with building a bridge and a buggy capable of carrying one of them across the bridge.



Learners starting to construct their bridge under the supervision of Corporal Brits. (L-R Adam Brown, Sarah Williamson, Campbell Tudhope, Corporal Brits, Joseph Jenney)

# GREEN FINGERED LEARNERS GET TO WORK

Learners at North Lindsey College have been getting their hands dirty in a project set for them by North Lincolnshire Council.

On hearing about the new courses in environment and conservation offered by the College, North Lincolnshire Council were keen to get involved and support the learners in gaining practical skills.

Following initial discussions with Jackie King, lecturer in sustainability at the College, the council set learners the project of coppicing an area of woodland along Scunthorpe Ridgeway to widen the woodland edge allowing more light to get through and thus enabling a greater variety of plants to grow.

Jackie King explained that coppicing is a traditional method of woodland management in which trees are cut down to near ground level resulting in new growth over subsequent years. The coppicing also creates different layers within the woodland which increases habitats for different types of animals. The lifespan of a tree can be increased by using the coppicing technique.

The College is hoping this will be just one of many projects working alongside the council to improve Scunthorpe and the surrounding areas.



Mark Fisher, Back Cutting

# NORTH LINDSEY COLLEGE RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS AOC BEACON AWARD

North Lindsey College is celebrating after receiving an Association of Colleges' Beacon Award at a presentation ceremony in Westminster, London for its excellent approach to employer engagement.

North Lindsey College was presented with the Learning and Skills Council Award for Employer Engagement by Kevin Brennan MP, Minister of State for Further Education. The Award recognises exemplary practice in the development of provision that is responsive to the needs of employers. This is the third Beacon Award to be won by the College in the last four years with the College having previously picked up honours for its provision for 14-16 year olds and commitment to Health and Safety.

With it being widely accepted that many businesses prefer to work with private training providers as

opposed to further education Colleges, North Lindsey College overcame this hurdle by creating a subsidiary company, Kingsway Consulting Limited (KCL). KCL is a one-stop shop for providing training assistance and business support to local, national and international businesses. The company prides itself on working closely with businesses to identify their training and education requirements. All staff employed by KCL are recruited for their business expertise and appropriate experience.

The UK-wide Beacon Awards provide national recognition for excellence and innovation as well as acknowledging the talents of staff at all levels. They highlight the breadth and quality of education in the College sector.



(Left to Right): Professor Roger Bennett, Principal of North Lindsey College with Janice Elliott, Director of Enterprise and Innovation for Kingsway Consulting receiving their AoC Beacon Award from Further Education Minister Kevin Brennan

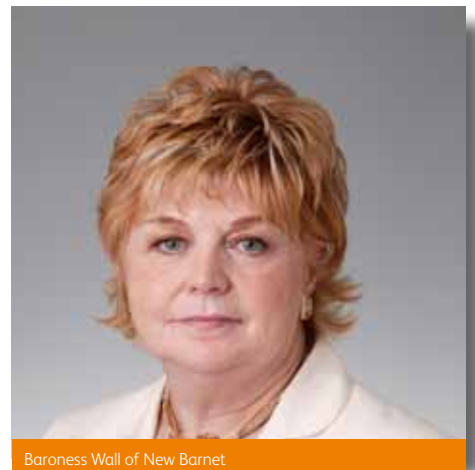
# HOUSE OF LORDS RECOGNISES TEACHING EXCELLENCE

North Lindsey College receives official praise in the House of Lords for the quality of its teaching.

The debate on Teaching Excellence, moved by Baroness Shephard of Northwold, called for papers to highlight the significance of policies to provide and support teaching excellence in schools, colleges and universities.

Following a visit to the College during February half term, Baroness Wall spent time talking with College Principal Professor Roger Bennett and touring the College's extensive facilities. During the tour she praised the business acumen of Professor Bennett in putting in place many initiatives such as the 14-16 Skills Centre which has had far reaching effects on the young people of North Lincolnshire and the proposal for the development of a STEM Academy which has once again put the College at the forefront of change within the further education sector and will drive forward economic growth for the area in the fields of science, technology, engineering and maths.

To receive such praise in the House of Lords further reinforces the excellent teaching that takes place within the College and highlights what a fantastic resource the College is for the young people of North Lincolnshire and beyond.



Baroness Wall of New Barnet

# CLIPPINGS

# STEM STRATEGY FROM NORTH LINDSEY COLLEGE

**North Lindsey College Principal (Professor Roger Bennett) recently revealed ambitious plans to build a STEM Academy for Scunthorpe on part of the footprint of the old Beacon Centre, when it is demolished later this year.**

Approval for the development was sought from College governors where a unanimous vote was given in favour of the Academy. The development will form a major part of the College's next wave of strategic development and would make a regional and national contribution to the skills strategy, subject to planning approval.

The College's recognition of the importance of the STEM agenda again puts it at the forefront of change within the further education sector by investing in new facilities that will serve to expand the educational opportunities available to the young people of North Lincolnshire and beyond.

The proposal comes on the back of the science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) agenda which highlights the need for a modern, technologically advanced society, to have a workforce that is well educated in all aspects of STEM. In addition, the government has identified STEM as a national priority stating that industry needs experts who can synthesise the components of STEM in innovative and creative ways to move the UK economy forward.

The new Academy will offer AS and A2 level courses in Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Computing, Design & Technology, Engineering and Maths and the cost of the new build is estimated to be in the region of circa £500,000.

Once complete the building will conform to the latest regulations in sustainable development and is likely to attract interest from both national and international students with the Academy opening its doors to students from September 2011. If demand for the courses on offer falls in line with the projected figures, further development on the site could see the building of a 40 bedroom study hostel accommodation and a further higher education teaching resource.



North Lindsey College Principal, Professor Roger Bennett with the STEM Academy Plans

# CHALLENGING ENGINEERS AT COLLEGE

North Lindsey College challenged 60 school pupils to take part in the annual North Lincolnshire School's Engineering event.

In total nine secondary schools took part in the challenge with the aim of building a structure to move items from one place to another. Specific task instructions were given at the beginning of the event with limited materials provided. The aim of the event is to encourage pupils to think about the career prospects in science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM).

Brumby Engineering College won the Engineering Challenge title with their innovative design and were extremely pleased with the win as a team from the school hasn't brought back the trophy to the school since the very first event in 1999.

Representatives from a variety of companies attended the event hosted by North Lindsey College, to offer their expertise including Corus, RAF, Dunlop, Centrica, Scunthorpe Society of Model Engineers, the Army and Humberside Engineering Training Association and STEM Ambassadors.



The competition winners from Brumby Engineering College in Scunthorpe with Stuart Bontoft (North Lincolnshire Engineering Chairman) at the back of the group.

# ITALIAN COMPANY SUPPORTS SCUNTHORPE LEARNERS!

**Motor vehicle learners at North Lindsey College get to grips with the latest technology in vehicle refinishing thanks to the generosity of Italian owned Lechler Coatings Ltd.**

Lechler, an independently owned Italian family paint company, specialises in the car refinishing market offering professional end users a complete range of high quality products and has recently supplied the motor vehicle department at North Lindsey College with £30,000 of equipment including paint and an industry standard mixing

machine system. The water based paints conform to the highest technical specifications and have minimal environmental impact in line with the latest environmental regulations.

It is hoped the relationship with Lechler will be expanded in the near future to benefit local bodyshops as Lechler plan to work closely with the College to put on demonstrations for the trade, keeping local businesses up to date with the latest developments in vehicle refinishing technology.



Learner Jamie Rogers demonstrates using the base coat to spray a car