

Welcome to the ELSA Newsletter, we hope you enjoy reading our latest news.

Our Mission: Bridge the gap between education and employment. Our unique career-focused programmes teach young people **essential** personal and professional skills sought by employers today.

We inspire, encourage and empower young people to recognise their potential and to believe they all have the chance of a successful future.

We want to let you know about the fantastic success we've had over the past four months at ELSA Next Generation.

Your support has been invaluable, enabling even more young individuals to connect with today's employers.

43 ESTABLISHED
ONGOING 1-1 LINKS
WITH NEW
CONTACTS FOR
YOUNG PEOPLE

700 YOUNG PEOPLE
EDUCATED

150 BUSINESS AND
COMMUNITY
VOLUNTEERS HAVE
SUPPORTED ELSA
DAYS

22 NEW
BUSINESSES SIGNED
UP TO SUPPORT
ELSA

60 DIFFERENT
BUSINESSES HAVE
WORKED WITH
ELSA

3 NEW ELSA
AMBASSADORS ON
BOARD

Thank you for contributing to this success!

ELSA EVENTS



Have a read below to see the ELSA events we've held since September, ELSA has delivered numerous events in Educational Support Centres, where students are currently excluded from mainstream schools, schools for young people with physical and neurological impairments, and mainstream schools.

CELEBRATION EVENT - MILL GREEN MUSEUM TEA ROOMS
 20+ Young people known to the care system undertook a work experience project running the Tea Rooms throughout the summer. Two successful ELSA Get Work Ready days alongside their placement ensured their personal and professional skills grew throughout the project, culminating in a well-deserved celebration for these inspirational and dynamic individuals.



Guests at Mill Green - Hertfordshire Virtual School, HCC, AcademyTeam, the High Sheriff and ELSA Ambassadors.

ELSA PROGRAMME DELIVERY THIS TERM:
 All of the events below have been supported by business and community volunteers:

- North Herts ESC - Get Work Ready x2
- Freman College - Get Work Ready
- The Priory School - Get Work Ready
- Bushey Meads School - Get Work Ready (first ever ELSA event here!)
- Stevenage ESC - Get Work Ready
- Stevenage ESC - The Living Room Speaker - Alcohol Abuse
- Stevenage ESC - SADA Speaker - Expectations in a Relationship
- Lonsdale School - Get Work Ready



Business volunteers from Equans, East and North Herts Hospital's Charity, Not Going to Uni, Tesco and KORI Construction.

A selection of our recent business supporters:



Business volunteers from Fortem, the British Army, Johnson Matthey, Computacenter, Not Going to Uni, Author and Coach Anna Zannides, and the University of Hertfordshire.

STRIVING FOR SUCCESSFUL OUTCOMES:
 We are now connecting young people with employers following ELSA days. The students submit a sector of interest via the school and we connect them with a relevant business contact. Interactions can be through a video clip, an email exchange, or a video call with a member of the ELSA team present.



Lonsdale School



Bushey Meads School

SKY STUDIOS - We recently organised for a group of young people from the Mill Green Museum project to have a video call with a contact from Sky Studios, to learn about the different careers and opportunities available.

ESSENDON COUNTRY CLUB - A young person interested in Hospitality completed work experience here, learning various professional skills. Following this, they have successfully secured employment there.

LLOYDS HACKATHON EVENT - Working in Partnership with Lloyds Banking Group, we took 8 A-level students to the Lloyds 'Reboot' event in London. Students attended talks and workshops, joining 1,000 Lloyds employees and guests, learning about the latest technology in Banking.

We're excited to see this partnership grow. Watch this space!

EAST AND NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE NHS TRUST - As a result of ELSA volunteering project, 200 young people are now undertaking weekly volunteering placements at Lister Hospital.



East and North Hertfordshire
NHS Trust



SIDE HUSTLE NETWORK & NOT GOING TO UNI EVENT HELD AT LINKEDIN HQ - With guest speakers, a panel of entrepreneurs, and a group workshop activity, this event was a very exciting evening with a wonderful network of people.

We are now creating a workshop with LinkedIn to deliver in schools, teaching students how to use the site most effectively, including networking skills. and LinkedIn Learning resources. We are also in talks with several of the entrepreneurs. following this event.



THE BIG CONVERSATION - Held by the City of London, this event brings together people in the education sector to discuss prominent topics in our education system, including Diversity and Inclusion and socio-economic inequality. Freya made sure career education in schools was part of the agenda!



The Big
Conversation



HL
Hertfordshire Life

HERTFORDSHIRE LIFE FEATURE - High Sheriff Liz Green's garden party. Freya and Jane were invited from ELSA Next Generation, where they met so many interesting people representing local charities. This event was covered by Hertfordshire Life, landing Freya and Jane a mention in the 'Society' section.

ROTARY CLUB OF HITCHIN TILEHOUSE - Freya gave an introductory presentation to 20+ members of Rotary in Hitchin during their breakfast meeting, reaching a new audience with our volunteering opportunities.



GET INVOLVED

Every year we organise and deliver our transformative career events for thousands of young people providing opportunities, hope and support through their education into employment.

Thank you to all of our volunteers and contacts who have spent time with ELSA Next Generation.

**WE COULDN'T DO
IT WITHOUT YOU!**

**NEW TO ELSA?
COME TO AN
EVENT!**

**VOLUNTEERED
WITH ELSA ONCE?
WE WANT YOU TO
COME BACK!**

**WORKED WITH
ELSA FOR YEARS?
THANK YOU FOR
CONTRIBUTING TO
OUR GROWTH!**

**COULD YOU
BECOME AN
AMBASSADOR?**

We continue to secure Corporate partnerships to reach even more young people, their educational settings and continue growing ELSA. If you think you can help, please get in touch!

With your full support, ELSA can continue to create a lasting and positive change that aligns with our core values, whilst growing our overall impact. We empower young individuals to exceed perceived limits, paving the way for more promising futures.

Together, we have the power to make a meaningful difference contributing to the betterment of our communities and society at large.

Thank you for joining us in this transformative journey.

**WE WOULD LOVE YOU TO FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA FOR EXCITING
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