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## Project Manager Message

BY COLIN MATHER

Welcome to our first WIN Connect Direct Newsletter, promoting and celebrating all things WIN. This spring term we have a host of activities taking place across the WIN schools and colleges, including a mock interview day at **Matravers School** where we interviewed nearly 50 Year 10 students. The students prepared CV's which formed part of the interview process and allowed the WIN team to offer advice and feedback on their interview skills, along with the content of the CV. A highly successful day!



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## Welcome to WIN Laura Emptage

Based at Bath Spa University, Laura has recently joined our Project Officer team and is busy planning sessions as part of our **outreach workshops**. With no previous background in higher education, Laura decided to go to university after an outreach talk in her first year of sixth form. Going to university literally changed her life, and made her determined to help other young people apply.



To find out more details of WIN outreach workshops email: [l.emptage@bathspa.ac.uk](mailto:l.emptage@bathspa.ac.uk)

## Social Media

We've been focusing hard on widening our social media reach and devising and signposting relevant and up-to-date content for students, teachers, parents/carers and adult learners. Check out one of our student support films focusing on **[helping\\_year\\_9's\\_with\\_their\\_GCSE\\_choices](#)** and follow us at:



[@WINWessex1](#)



[www.facebook.com/WIN\\_SUPPORTtogether](http://www.facebook.com/WIN_SUPPORTtogether)



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[WIN \(Wessex Inspiration Network\)](#)

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That was absolutely brilliant - you provide just the right balance of activity and information, and all of it was so relevant for them. It is something they so need.

School Careers Advisor

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## FOCUS ON: ADULT LEARNERS



Are you an adult looking to progress in life and work through study?

Lifepilot has all the information, advice and tools you need to get started, if you only have a few qualifications, are ready to do a degree right now or want to do a work-related course that might improve your work choices.

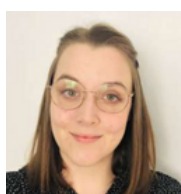
You can find the free site here [www.life-pilot.co.uk](http://www.life-pilot.co.uk) and register (top right of home page) to get access to all the Career Tools. Or you could sign up for a free webinar which will run you through how to make best use of Lifepilot.

Book a place here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/introduction-to-lifepilot-tickets-292386404607>

## Evaluation

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Our fantastic HEAs have really hit the ground running this academic year. We've delivered almost 560 activities to over 2000 learners at 17 schools and colleges in the WIN network since September. We've also delivered 517 mentoring sessions through HEA one-to-ones and **Careerpilot** guidance sessions and there's still plenty more to come.

### WIN this academic year:

517



Mentoring Sessions



559

Activities



4020

Contact Hours  
with Learners



2105

Learners



Number of Uni Connect  
Learners that we've worked  
with this year:

17

Schools & Colleges

516

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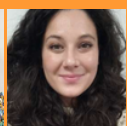
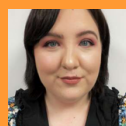
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## WIN schools and colleges HEA updates



BY SOPHIE LOWE, WIN HEA ADVISOR  
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This year has seen a return to in-person mentoring. It's been great to catch up with learners face to face! Art and Design, Photography and Fashion students have visited the amazing **Bath Spa University** Locksbrook Road site and gained some inspiration about what they could do after their level 3 course. We're looking forward to **National Careers Week**, which will include an exciting visit from a former WIN student who is now in her first year of a **Midwifery** degree and a trainee **Paramedic**. They will spend time answering student questions and talking about their career choices.



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Since joining WIN, we've been helping our students with their UCAS applications, with many receiving offers from their chosen university. We've also been meeting with our WIN students to discuss their HE options. Mollie has started meeting with the career leads from **Hans Price** and **Broadoak Academy's**, organising activities for their learners. Alessandra has been meeting and introducing herself to the **WIN Together** working group members, and hopes to schedule a network meeting soon. Coming up, we're also delivering student finance presentations to various level 3 students at **Weston College** to provide more knowledge, and are accompanying our A-level students to the Exeter UCAS fair.

# Digital Resources



## Calling all teachers



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We've created a series of **Lesson in a Box** sessions for teachers to easily deliver in tutorial time. Each session comes with step by step delivery notes. Students are encouraged to actively consider their future choices through a mixture of information, videos, tasks and class feedback.

### Pre - 16 - Introduction to University

Focusing on gaining knowledge of possible progression routes, understanding student life, different types of university and campus living. Students are encouraged to consider their personal development, passions and skills in relation to their next steps and given hints and tips to research possible courses and gain further support and advice.

**[Download sessions 1 and 2 from our website here](#)**

### Year 9 - Imagine Your Future - GCSE Options

The session encourages students to take ownership of their choices by thinking big and creating a future vision of their life and possible career. Students are given information on their up-coming learner journey, encouraged to uncover skills and given helpful hints and tips on choosing their options.

**[Download the session from our website here](#)**

**[Please help to evaluate our resources by completing the feedback form here](#)**

## Upcoming Events

### YEAR 9

#### FUTURES DAY

WED 29TH JUNE  
UNIVERSITY OF  
BATH

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### YEAR 10

#### CREATIVE FORCES DAY

WED 6TH JULY  
BATH SPA  
UNIVERSITY

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