

PETROC NEWS LETTER

April 2023



WELCOME

Welcome back after the Easter holidays! We hope you had a wonderful time off and your revision is well underway ahead of your upcoming exams!

APRIL FOCUS: LAST MINUTE APPLICATIONS:

Life after Year 11 is very exciting with different courses to study, new friends to meet and amazing opportunities to discover, but we also recognise that it may be a bit daunting deciding which course to pick; you may be worried about applying for a course, or what happens if you apply for something and then change your mind. Please don't worry! We are here to provide you with all the help, information and support with your Petroc choices to make life after Year 11 as easy and as stress-free as possible.

If you have not made an application yet, don't worry - there is still time and we are here to help you with plenty of tips and resources available:

TIP 1: Look at our prospectus and website to discover all the courses you can apply for at <https://www.petroc.ac.uk/>

TIP 2: Still undecided? Then please ask your school's careers lead/tutor to arrange for us to come into your school for a friendly chat to help you choose and apply for the right course - or email us at schoolliaison@petroc.ac.uk. Sometimes it's easier to sit with somebody and discuss the different options available and we are more than happy to come into school to help you with this.

TIP 3: Don't put off applying if you are currently deciding between different courses, as you can apply for several courses and finalise your choices later on in the year. If you change your mind and would like to apply for another course, or if you have any other queries, please contact us at schoolliaison@petroc.ac.uk or the friendly Registry Team on 01271 852443 or at registryteamndc@petroc.ac.uk.

TIP 4: If you didn't make it to any of our open events this year and would like to see any of our campuses we can book in a tour at a convenient time to you, please contact us at schoolliaison@petroc.ac.uk

GUIDE FOR APPLYING ON THE WEBSITE:

It's easy to do, just flow these six simple steps:



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1. Go to <https://www.petroc.ac.uk/>

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At the top of the page, select 'Courses' and then 'School Leavers'

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Choose between the different types of qualifications available e.g. T Levels, vocational or apprenticeships and then select the courses within the areas that interest you.

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Bring up the course information and then click "Apply". This will put the course in your basket and when you have finished choosing your courses, click on your basket and then "Apply Now".

This will bring you to your checkout where you will need to click on 'Continue with application' and fill in your information.

Please provide a personal email address rather than your school email and, as we are aware that you may not know your predicted grades, please put TBC (To Be Confirmed) in the grade boxes and then you can let us know your GCSE results in the summer.

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SEND AND SUPPORT AT PETROC:

Petroc has a commitment to allowing all learners the opportunity to thrive through outstanding teaching, learning and training. The Special Education Needs and Disability provision at Petroc is inclusive and person-centred. We work with learners, families and professionals to identify and support individual needs to ensure equal access to education.

We offer support on all of our college sites in-class, outside of the classroom, with exams and assessments and in the wider college environment. This support is to enable learners the opportunity to access all opportunities and to have the most positive experience whilst at Petroc.

Whatever learning difficulty or disability you may have, we can offer tailored support to match your needs. We work in partnership with curriculum staff, other internal services and external organisations to provide a person-centred approach. The support we offer is to guide students towards greater levels of independence.

COLLABORATION CATWALK

On Tuesday 21 March, we welcomed an array of salon owners and special guests to our Lifestyle Centre in Barnstaple to witness a spectacular display of talent from our hair, beauty, media makeup and performing arts students in the form of the Collaboration Catwalk.

Level 3 Hairdressing students created their work around the theme of 'Space' and 'Forests' and our Level 3 apprenticeship hairdressing students showcased their work around a 'Zodiac Sign' theme..

The show also included outstanding work from our Level 2 hairdressing, barbering, makeup and dance students, whilst catering students provided delicious canapes and beverages.

It was a fantastic event for our students to be involved in and we were so proud of all our award winners!



WHATS ON AT PETROC:

Creative -

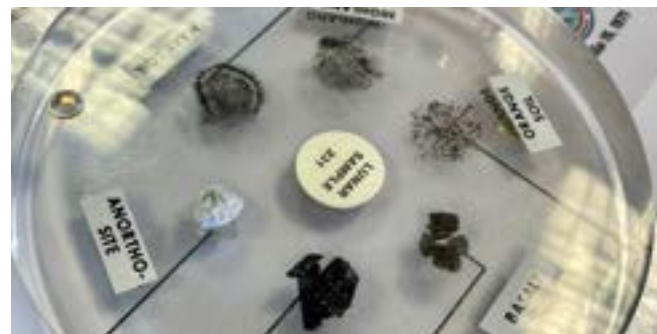
Take a look at the incredible pieces of art created by our talented students here at Petroc! It's always amazing to see their creativity and skills on display. We're so proud of all their hard work and dedication!



Science -

To mark British Science Week, we celebrated by displaying moon rock samples that were on loan from NASA. Approximately 100 people – young and old – came along to our North Devon campus to see and hold the samples.

Humanities lecturer, Gemma Quick said, "Visitors were able to test the magnetic qualities of the samples and inspect them with magnifying lenses. They were inspired by the opportunity to hold a piece of the moon in their hands and were surprised at the weight of the larger



TOURS/VISITS

We hope you had an informative National Careers Week, and were able to attend our Open Day on 4 March. If you were unable to attend, have any further questions, or are still unsure on your options after school, please do not hesitate to get in contact with us. Further to this, if you would like a tour or visit to any of our campuses, please get in touch with us via email at schoolliaison@petroc.ac.uk and we can arrange a date and time that works best for you.

FINAL THOUGHTS

If you have yet to apply, please get your application in as soon as possible, to ensure you get onto your preferred course and to help you prepare to join college.

Best wishes

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