

HOSPITALITY CONNECT

NEWSLETTER

NOTTINGHAM EDITION



The **Hospitality Connect** programme was launched for the first time in Nottingham with an Ambassador Induction session, followed by a Launch Event in March 2025. Since then, the programme has consistently bridged the gaps between eight local schools with eight hotels and venues, providing students with valuable insights and inspiring the next generation to explore the diverse career pathways within the hospitality, catering and tourism industries.

PROGRAMME PARTNERS:



HOSPITALITY CONNECT IN ACTION:

PARK PLAZA & STONE SOUP ACADEMY

- Hotel tour with heads of departments
- Housekeeping masterclass
- Menu creating workshops
- Mock interviews
- Meetings & Events insights

NOTTINGHAM VENUES & FOXWOOD ACADEMY

- One student completed their placement, with another currently working with Kitchen team.
- All students gained positive hands-on experience with staff.

LEONARDO & FARNBOROUGH SPENCER ACADEMY

- Cooking workshop with hotel's Head Chef
- Hotel tour, including FOH & BOH, kitchen principles, ending with a cooking session.

WHAT OUR SCHOOL PARTNERS ARE SAYING:

Students are doing well and gaining valuable work experience. Staff at the Orchard are very supportive and students feel valued and included. I would like to thank them all for giving our students the opportunity to experience a real work environment it's so valuable.

-FOXWOOD ACADEMY-

I believe this experience may encourage students to view the hospitality industry as a serious and rewarding long-term career option, particularly given the clear pathways for progression. Personally, this partnership has broadened my own understanding of the opportunities available within the sector. As a result, I now feel much more confident in discussing potential career routes with students and guiding them towards roles they may not have previously considered.

-BLUECOAT BEECHDALE ACADEMY-

NETWORKING EVENT FOR EDUCATORS & HOTELIERS

NOTTINGHAM COLLEGE, 4-6PM, 30 JUNE

Educators and hotel representatives are invited to a networking event to review the programme's progress and celebrate the achievements of its first year. The event will be followed by a tour of the facilities at Nottingham College, alongside an introduction to the wide range of career pathways into hospitality available here to students.

