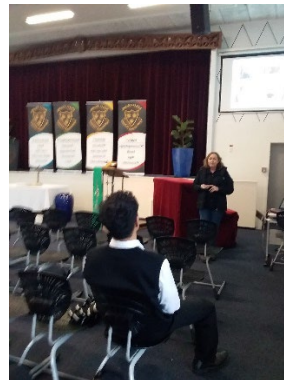


GATEWAY NEWS!!!!

It's been a very busy couple of months in Gateway, with a series of guest speakers on Tuesday lunchtimes this term including BCITO, Mode Architects, and NZMA. We have The Affordable Group in this Tuesday and Buckley apprenticeships and AWF coming in later this term.



Ten, Year 12 boys went to Central Joinery in East Tamaki last month, to investigate how the business operates. From the machine operations and apprentices on the factory floor to designing kitchens and laundries on CAD, to project management work and installations. The boys got an understanding of how you can progress your career through the stages into management and eventually owning a business.



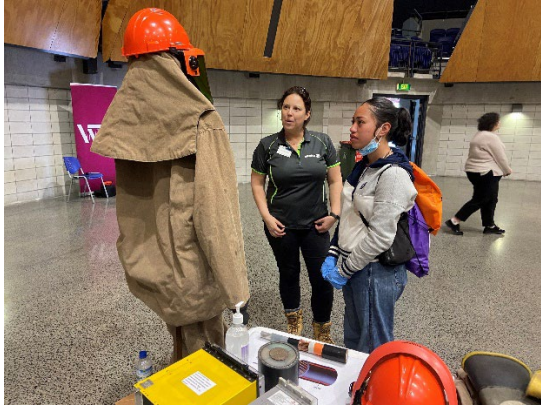
Seven, Year 12 and 13 students looking to find work for next year went along to the Speed Meets at Ellerslie Racecourse last week. Our students presented and carried themselves very well. The students met around 25 employers each and had good practice at talking with strangers and interview techniques. The employers were from a variety of different industries and after meeting for a 6 minute chat with the student, the employer then swiped left or right on their devices if they felt it was a good fit and they could work together. All our students matched with multiple employers, and many are already in negotiations for work, with two having been offered apprenticeships in civil construction.





Last Wednesday evening, The Girls in Trade event occurred at the Vodafone events centre in Manukau. Five of our girls from Year 11 and 12 went along. The girls had opportunities to operate a cherry picker, drive a digger and try many virtual reality roles in areas such as road management, kiwifruit picking, and gas pipe maintenance to name a few. We chatted to the various providers about different industries and found out about job opportunities available. We collected lots of

goodies from the stands too. We had a delicious dinner and listened to a very inspirational young lady, Hera Eruera, who overcame a lot in her life and after a few false starts found her passion in plumbing. She is now on her way to becoming a fully certified plumber, keen to start her own wahine plumbing business. They also had a panel of ladies from various industries, Shenay Fraser who is a rocket builder, Georgia in construction, Toni Harris in automotive and Hera from plumbing. They all spoke about their experiences in usually male dominated industries and described what their typical day was like. Their main advice was to find something you love doing and feel passionate about. Toni talked about the fact there was no better feeling than seeing a car come in on the back of a tow truck and seeing it drive out because you have fixed it.



Gateway students have been continuing to obtain their learner licence this term.



The Akongoue Horticulture students have been working hard in the classroom and out on the farm. This term they have completed their First Aid course, harvested kumara and planted fruit trees as well as completing the course work for their credits.

