

**Newsletter 2, Winter 2012** 

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# With 2013 FAST APPROACHING

# Could now be the right time for you to consider hospitality training?

The start of 2013 may be the ideal opportunity for your staff to undertake training in readiness for the busy months ahead. First College has a suite of hospitality qualifications to support all your business needs.

We offer training in front of house, housekeeping, food and beverage service and food production and cooking and more...

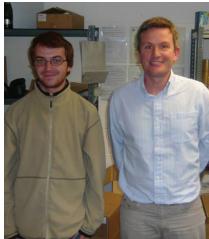
Contact us for further information of how we can help you to fulfil your business needs.

Contact Jude 01507 601122 Wesley 01754 610197



## **GOOD NEWS**

Pictured is one of our customers Tom Pearce. Tom had been unemployed for some time when he was referred to First College with a view to helping him gain employment. Tom was very keen to work and put a lot of effort into improving his chances by attending training courses and working with First College's Employability Team.



Tom (left) and Gary (Right)

All of Tom's hard work paid off when he was offered the opportunity to undertake a work trial at Europa Industries in Louth. After successful completion of the work trial Tom was delighted to have been offered a full time position at the Company. We would like to thank Europa Industries and in particular Gary Spencer, for giving Tom this excellent opportunity.

Can you offer work or work experience to an unemployed person who is keen and ready for work?

If so please contact us by emailing enquiries@firstcollegelincs.co.uk or alternatively telephone Louth – 01507 601122 or Skegness 01754 766341.

# First College in the community

First College recently attended Theddlethorpe Primary School to deliver a fun session to the children focused on healthy eating. This was to coincide with the Key Stage 1 healthy eating week. Peggy and Kevin from our hospitality team demonstrated how to make orange sail boats using fresh fruit and sugar free jelly and it was then the children's turn to make their own boats. The children and the staff thoroughly enjoyed the session and everyone was delighted with their creations which they were pleased to eat at the end of day!

Pictured with the children is Kevin Brewer one of our hospitality assessors/tutors.



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Here you will find all of our latest news including events, success stories and new courses that become available.

## Funding opportunity for higher level qualifications

Level 3 Supervision, Professional Cookery and Level 4 Management are qualifications that are currently being funded for small employers through The Lincolnshire Higher Skills Programme. The aim of the programme is to support and raise the skill levels of Key Workers in the hospitality industry who are working at these higher levels. This training is currently FREE to employers in this sector.

For more information about studying for work based learning and to learn if you are eligible for the above FREE training please contact:

Jude Ingram on 01507 601122 or e-mail her at jude.ingram@firstcollegelincs.co.uk

Wesley Everton on 01754 610197 or email him at wesley.everton@firstcollegelincs.co.uk

## Learn how to cook

Do you know anyone aged 19-24 who is unemployed?

First College have spaces available on short courses in food preparation and cooking. Learn how to prepare and cook: Pasta, Eggs, Meat, Bread, Vegetables.

### Call Wesley 01754 610197 to book your place



The Big Idea (Lincolnshire CIC) is a newly established Community Interest Company with a vision to create new employment opportunities for local people in the East Lindsey district of Lincolnshire.

First College have joined forces with Skegness College of Vocational Training and invested in this shared vision to create a company that can offer work to unemployed individuals in the local area, initially in contract cleaning.

Butlins have supported The Big Idea from the outset and we are currently working on site to fulfil some of their contract cleaning requirements.

The Big Idea has ambitions for the future to venture into new areas of work outside of contract cleaning and are keen to look at manufacturing and also supporting people with self employment to name but two.

We are now looking for more Contract Cleaning work so that we can employ more people from the local area.

If you are interested in The Big Idea whether it be because you have cleaning work requirements or because you or someone you know would like to come and work for us please contact Ian Dickinson on 01507 601122 or e mail enquiries@ thebigidealincolnshire.co.uk

### **MORE GOOD NEWS**

#### Stephanie Watson

# Employer: East Lindsey District Council (ELDC) Manby

Stephanie Watson (picured left) recently achieved her Advanced Apprenticeship in Business & Administration combining Technical Certificate and ICT Level 2 Key Skill. Stephanie achieved the apprenticeship with flying colours.

Stephanie previously completed an Intermediate Apprenticeship in Business & Administration and decided to continue with her learning to the advanced level. Stephanie is a full time employee within the Planning Department at East Lindsey District Council. Over the two years undertaking apprenticeship qualifications, Stephanie has received dedicated and valued support from her supervisor, Claire Mansey (pictured right).



First College offers apprenticeships in many different occupational areas. If you or any of your family and friends are interested in finding out more about how apprentices can benefit employers and individuals, please contact one of our recruitment advisers for further information – Jude 01507 601122 Wesley 01754 610197



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