

PETROC NEWS LETTER

April 2024



HELLO!

We hope you had a great Easter break and are looking forward to the brighter days in Spring! With exam time fast approaching and many students applying for their next steps, it is an important time to be organised and get ready for the next chapter that will soon begin.

If you are yet to make an application, please do not worry! There is still time! Life after Year 11 is an exciting time, but we recognise the daunting nature of moving onto your next chapter. There are so many options that you could choose and at this moment in time it is okay to apply for more than one course, if you are still undecided. There is still time to change your mind. We have a team on board to help support you throughout this process.



SOME HELPFUL TIPS FOR APPLYING

Tip 1

Look at our prospectus and website to discover all the courses you can apply for at www.petroc.ac.uk

Tip 2

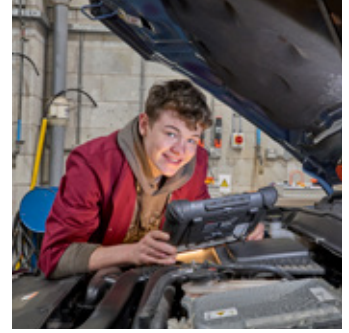
Still undecided? Then please ask your school's careers lead/tutor to arrange for us to come into your school for a friendly chat to help you choose and apply for the right course - or email us at schoolliaison@petroc.ac.uk. Sometimes it's easier to sit with somebody and discuss the different options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



ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

We understand the jump from school to college is an adjustment and can take some getting used to. Should you require any extra support throughout the transition to college, our wellbeing team is on hand to help. wellbeing@petroc.ac.uk

We are here to make the transition as smooth as possible for you and to prepare you for college life. At Petroc our approach fosters an inclusive environment and enables you to develop skills for life. Our SEND team will work alongside you, your family and other professionals to ensure the provision put in place is appropriate to your needs.

HOW DOES COLLEGE DIFFER FROM SCHOOL?

As you come up to college, you will identify quite a few changes. You can wear your own clothes and explore new styles; there will not be any bells to signify the start and end of lessons, so you will be responsible for attending your lessons on time; and the structure of your days will be different. Here is an example of a vocational student's timetable:

Sample T Level or Vocational timetable

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:00-10:00	Independent Study	Work placement	Lesson	Independent Study	Lesson
10:00-11:00	Lesson	Work placement	Independent Study	Digital Learning	Lesson
11:00-12:00	Lesson	Work placement	Lesson	Lesson	Independent Study
12:00-13:00	Lunch	Work placement	Lunch	Lunch	Lesson
13:00-14:00	Digital Learning	Work placement	Lesson	Tutorial	Lunch
14:00-15:00	Lesson	Work placement	Enrichment/Academy	Lesson	Lesson
15:00-16:00	Independent Study	Work placement	Enrichment/Academy	Independent Study	Independent Study

There may be gaps within your timetable which allows for independent study or for you to go off campus as you please. As long as you attend your lessons on time, your free time is flexible.

REVISION TIPS

Some tips that may help with your up and coming revision...

- Set clear revision goals. Setting clear targets allows you to maintain focus on the aims of your revision sessions.
- Create a realistic timetable. Break each subject into manageable sections, allocating specific time slots for each. This will allow for balance between your study and leisure.
- Understand your learning style. Identify how you learn best to ensure you are engaged and proactive. You may learn best via visual, aural, reading/writing or kinaesthetically.
- Create mind maps. This visual aid helps to connect ideas to memory retention and may identify areas you may need to develop further.

WHAT'S ON AT PETROC?

Here are some of our talented creative students' artwork that they are currently working on. It is great to see the creativity of our students and what they are currently immersed in.



The Performing Arts students have been busy over the last few months preparing for their productions of 'The Gut Girls' and 'Lord of the Flies', which was open for the community to come and watch! Students demonstrated the passion and dedication they had towards their performances and provided a brilliant show for all!



At Petroc we offer a variety of sporting activities for you to take part in. Here are a few of the academies that we have on offer.

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SPORTS ACADEMIES



TEAM

PRE-SEASON TRAINING 2024

Join one of Petroc's Sports Academies to take your sporting game to the next level.

Meet your new teammates and inspirational coaches and get ready to hit the ground running as we kick off our pre-season training sessions from May 2024!

Take your pick from our awesome range of academies: we've got something for everyone!



ACADEMY	TIME & DATE	LOCATION
Basketball Academy	23 & 30 April and 14 & 21 May 15:30-16:30	Tarka Leisure Centre
Climbing Academy	23 & 30 April and 14 & 21 May 16:45-17:45	Petroc Sports Hall, North Devon campus
Men's Football Academy	26 April and 3, 10 & 17 May 16:00-17:00	Tarka Leisure Centre
Netball Academy	17 & 24 June and 1 & 8 July 14:00-15:30	Tarka Leisure Centre
Rugby Academy	22 & 29 April and 13 & 20 May 15:45-16:45	Petroc, North Devon campus
Volleyball Academy	1, 8, 15 & 22 May and 5 June 16:00-17:00	Tarka Leisure Centre
Women's Football Academy	26 April and 3, 10 & 17 May 16:00-17:00	Tarka Leisure Centre

Petroc players and athletes have represented the South West, England and Great Britain in their chosen sports in both league and cup fixtures. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to join the Petroc's Sports Academy now and become part of a winning team!

Email jason.fern@petroc.ac.uk to sign up and get you started on the most successful season ever!



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TOURS/VISITS

If you have any further questions, or are still unsure on your options after school, please do not hesitate to get in contact with us. 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 Petroc.

Best wishes,

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