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Happy Easter!

The Reactive Team and the Easter Bunny would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Very Happy Easter.





Welcome to our team

As we approach Summer term, we welcome the following new members to the Reactiv8 team:

Trish Caswell – Support Tutor / Mentor Josh Howell – Support Tutor / Mentor / Site Manager Tricia Jordan – Tutor / Mentor

Elvis Shaw – Volunteer Mentor Sam Cutler – Volunteer Support Worker Sam Zak – Volunteer Support Worker George Hamilton – Volunteer Support Worker

Bedfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner

We are pleased to announce that we have secured funding to work with the Bedfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner.

Funded by Bedfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner, we are delivering Mindset Empowerment workshops and 1 to 1 mentoring to residents of HMP Bedford and ex-offenders across Bedfordshire.



Building Better Opportunities

BBO is funded by The Big Lottery Fund and European Social Fund. The Big Lottery Fund uses money raised by National Lottery players to help communities achieve their ambitions. From small, local projects to UK-wide initiatives, its funding brings people together to





make a difference to their health, wellbeing and environment. Following completion of our programmes to date, all clients reported back that they had:

- Reduced barriers to employment
- Raised their aspirations and increased their motivation
- Gained a better understanding of employment opportunities
- Gained the necessary skills for employment

We have completed our work with ex-offenders, where our results have been really positive and successful. We are proud that we exceeded our employment outcome target for this project. In addition, 100% of participants felt they reduced their barriers to employment, 100% have raised aspirations and increased motivation as a result of the programme, 100% have gained a better insight into employment opportunities and 100% have learnt at least one new skill that makes them employable.

With the new day comes new strength and new thoughts.

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Time for me! - Women's Network of Bedfordshire Event

Date: Thursday, 25 April 2019 - 10:00 - 14:00

Venue: The Forest Centre & Millennium Country Park

Station Road

Marston Moretaine

MK43 OPR



A practical session where we learn about the importance of taking the time to look after ourselves With special guest speakers Delphi Ellis and Michelle Crook from Reactiv8. The day has been structured to be as inclusive as possible but will focus on sharing tools and techniques that predominantly support women. To register and for more info go to:

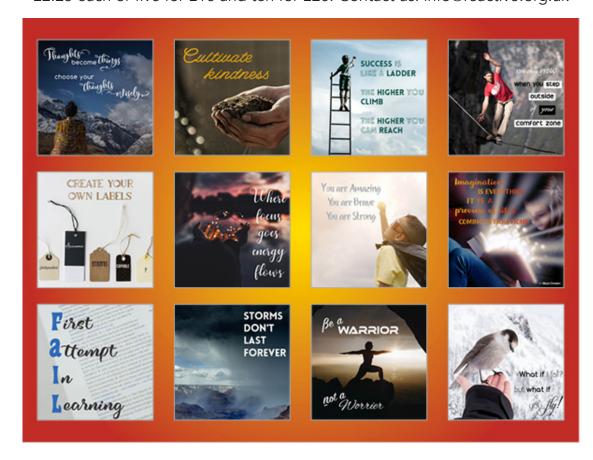
https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/d/united-kingdom--bedford/networking

Greetings cards

We have over fifty occasions and motivational cards to choose from. Samples of which are below. Buy to inspire others or yourself! Insides are left blank for your own wording.

Order today!

£2.25 each or five for £10 and ten for £20. Contact us: info@reactiv8.org.uk





Are you looking get work on a construction site?





The Level 1 Award in Health and Safety in a Construction Environment PLUS Construction Skills Certificate Scheme (CSCS) Card Training is a two-day training course, leading to a five vear CSCS Green Card PLUS a QCF recognised qualification.

Options include:

CSCS Card Training only - £149 inc. test fees. One-day course (six month green card without the Level 1 Award).

Level 1 Award Qualification Only -£199 inc. test fees. One-day course.

Both the qualification and CSCS card training - £247 inc test fees. Two-day course (five year green card).

For more information contact Reactiv8, an accredited centre of the British Safety Council.

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Staff extra-mile award

In recognition of the sterling efforts our staff make throughout each and every month, when a member or members go that extra mile. From Sept 2018 to April 2019 the staff who have received the award are: -

September - Ramona McCormack October - Amun Kalvan November - Alicia Downer December - Marian Brewer

January - Ramona McCormack and Marian Brewer February - Asifa Latoo March - Trish Caswell April - Angela Bowdon



Careers and Enterprise

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We are pleased to announce that due to the success of the Jump Start programme last academic year 2017-18, we secured additional funding through Develop EBP from the Careers Enterprise Company to deliver to 5 more schools for 2018-19, where we have continued to have really positive outcomes.

The schools we have worked with in 2018-19 have included: Samuel Whitbread, Cardinal Newman, Priory Academy and Lord Grey, concluding with Goldington Academy's programme running between April and July.

Students and teachers have reported an increase in motivation, self-confidence, employability skills, and they say has helped the students identify a career progression route for them beyond school age.

HMP Bedford



We were pleased to have started a pilot programme in HMP Bedford for the period of January – May 2018, which due to the success of this, the contract got extended to run until March 2019.

In the period January – December 2018, we worked with 182 participants, of which 92% felt the course was easy to understand, 95% felt more positive as a result of the programme, 93% were more confident and more motivated, 96% plan to use the ideas from the training, 95% agreed the course opened up their mindset, 96% will continue to set goals and 93% thought the programme was well-led and presented.

A testimonial...

It is always welcome and a rewarding part of our work when we receive a testimonal like the one below. We worked together in 2015/2016 and are very proud of Justin's achievements. Well done!

"I'm still working the same job but my working conditions have improved a lot and I'm in a really good place. It's all thanks to everyone at Reactiv8, and you've also helped to make a childhood dream a reality! I've had a few wobbles here and there, but I still apply the course material to every day of life, and I'm out there making things happen and living my best life. I truly believe that if I hadn't met you and your team, I'd probably still be miserable on Universal Credit. You guys are still the best!"

Justin

TCHC - Cambridgeshire NEETs project



We have completed our progrmame delivery on the Northamptonshire NEETs project and due to our success, have been asked to continue our delivery model on the Cambridgeshire NEETs contract for those aged 15-24 who are at risk......

If you are a school, based in Cambridgeshire looking for some FREE support to those at risk of disengagement from school, then get in touch with us.