

Meet the news team

Angel Francis, 15, said: "Being a reporter gave me confidence and it was a good way of meeting people, asking the questions." Harvey Colston, 15, said "The day has opened opportunities for me in journalism that I didn't know about before today."



Emma Densley, 15, said "Being a reporter today helped me get an insight into what the profession would be like, and I enjoyed it."



Nuveen Al-Kadi, 15, said: "The day was quite influential towards journalism including meeting new people from local newspapers and ITV which was a good experience."



Abby Suttle, 15, said: "It was a good experience which helped my skills grow and flourish." Beth Jones, 15, said: "It was very useful in providing me with information about pursuing future careers."



Alex Miles, 15, said "Today has made me realise that job possibilities to do with the marines are endless."

The Verdict...

John Hedges, 15 years old, goes to St George's School says he enjoyed the day and was spending most of his time at his favourite stall, the catering company. His reasoning was he was inspired to be part of the support team overseas and was looking into a career in catering.



Isabelle, 13 years old, goes to Spires Academy. She said: 'I enjoyed the exhibitions and I loved the RAF stand but I am considering becoming a sea captain'



Jake, 13, said: 'I thought it really helpful, and have changed my plans and am heading into engineering.'

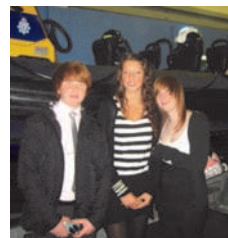
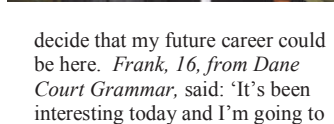


Callie, 15 from Spires Academy, added: 'I found the hands-on bits exciting, and the animal and nature stuff helped me in my career choice.'

Tom, 17, from South Kent College, said: 'The army stuff was cool' where all students saw the guns and examples of military weapons that the soldiers use.



Chloe, 13, said: 'The Marine Biology stand has helped me decide that my future career could be here. Frank, 16, from Dane Court Grammar, said: 'It's been interesting today and I'm going to go back to get more information from the RAF stall.'



The Quay



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Unlocking your future...

Students dive into action!

By the Dane Court Investigators

Around 2000 excited students came to the Dover Marine Festival in the hope of finding a career best suited to them. 70 companies set up stands to entice students to the career prospects the maritime and marine industry hold. Many of the participants were very proud of the fine work produced by the EBP Kent, including Juliet Lasslett.

Juliet works for EBP Kent. She helped organise the whole event and she believes it is a 'fantastic opportunity for lots of students to find their passion and future profession. From hairdressing, to catering to engineering and lots more career choices to choose from.' She also says: 'The marine industry offers many career prospects for all



types of people.' Young people came from 27 schools around Kent, including Charles Dickens, Ursuline College, Chaucer Technology School in Canterbury, St George's C of E School and more.

One student from Dane Court Grammar School, Broadstairs said: "I thought today would be alright, but I

found it to be very interesting and it exceeded my expectations!" Alex and Harvey from Dane Court completed this newsletter with Abby, Angel, Emma, Nuveen and Beth. Alex said: 'As a unit we worked together and came to a verdict that the whole day was a great success, utilising our skills and knowledge of journalists.'

Let's stall get together

By Alex, Emma, Nuveen, Harvey, Angel, Beth and Abby

The Kent Marine Festival had a variety of stalls and companies promoting a plethora of professions connected in some form to the sea.

We managed to take a few minutes of some of the companies' time to find out more about the opportunities which are open to us in the near future.

Bill Tate, a retired captain works for Sea Vision, a training programme for people interested in becoming mariners. He told us they are based at North West Kent College, where they train sailors, in areas including navigation and ship management. Their stand had two examples of ship simulators



which are used for training cadets.

Bill, who took 12 years to train as a captain, said: 'We are here to show awareness that 95% of imports is by The Marines. This is vital for UK industry.'

We interviewed Nigel Holloway, the marketing manager of the Warsash Maritime Academy in Southampton University. He stated: 'We train everyone in all areas including navigators, engineers and on board services sponsored by ferry companies eg P&O.' The Maritime Volunteer Service is an educational service consisting completely of volunteers. Support officer Mr Shawcase informed us the service helps councils in disasters such as floods and providing safety boats. Volunteers up to 70 year olds can join.

Marine Biology aims to encourage people to go into all sorts of jobs involving the sea. Elena Setterfield, Marine

Biology Consultant, told us that they aim to educate people on beach wildlife, rock pools and what goes on in them, also on other topics such as litter. We were told 15 year olds were able to volunteer to see what being a marine biologist is about.

If they like it, they could go into training when they're older which could lead them into jobs, such as oceanographic research, pollution clean-up and veterinary work.

London Array are the creators of the growing wind farm off our shores. They chatted to us about the growing opportunities in renewable energy in the sea for young people.

Cruise specialists 'ACE' offers guidance towards travelling and tourism offering professional courses towards cruising. Online training as well as colleges and universities can guide

many people in the right direction of the cruise industry and in to a well paid, world wide career.

Meanwhile we also spoke to PC Martin Dadd who is apart of the Port of Dover Police. He tackles anti social behaviour. At sea police work to prevent anti- terrorism and smuggling. PC Dadd himself witnessed a failed smuggling attempt with 58 dead Chinese with two survivors.

