

Partnership for Learning joins Jaguar to promote Engineering Apprenticeship Programmes to young people.



Pictured Above: Peter Peacock, Mark Wynne, Helena Rogers, Jaguar Apprentices: Dean Coward, Daniel Fath, and Partnership for Learning Business Admin. Apprentice Sam McGarvey on the stand.

Representatives from Partnership for Learning made up of assessors and training advisers joined forces with Jaguar Apprentices to promote Apprenticeship programmes to 14 – 19 year olds. The event named 'Engineering in Action' was held at the prestigious Princess Royal Stand at Aintree Race Course. Its aim was to promote and encourage young people to think about a career in engineering. Hosted by the Merseyside and Cheshire Setpoint organisations, it was attended by over twenty five colleges, training providers, government bodies and the armed services as well as twenty local schools with around 1000 14-19 year olds revelling in the array of displays and activities provided on the day.

The Pfl/ Jaguar stand generated a great deal of interest from the youngsters. As well as expressing interest in the various apprenticeships offered by Pfl/Jaguar the youngsters also enjoyed interacting with the robotic arm and rather loud bleep machine, in the shape of a Jaguar pictured right.

The day was a great success with around 60 youngsters genuinely interested in considering a career in engineering through Pfl/Jaguar.



Pictured above: Sam McGarvey (Pfl Business Admin Apprentice,) Dean Coward and Daniel Fath (Jaguar Apprentices) with young people from a local school .

A Jaguar Apprentices Story



Dean Coward (Jaguar Apprentice) at the 'Engineering in Action Event' on the Pfl/ Jaguar Stand.

Dean Coward is an engineering apprentices at Jaguar and is supported by Pfl. He started his apprenticeship straight from school when he was 16.

His apprenticeship with Jaguar is four years and he is currently half way through his third year. Dean spent the first four months of his apprenticeship in college then he went to work in the plant training school for a further eight months. At the training school he studied electrical, mechanical and robotics training, as well as plc's, welding and pneumatics and hydraulics. The college work consists of 2 years ONC and then another 2 years HNC. Dean says "one of the best parts of an apprenticeship is that it gives you hands on experience instead of text-

book learning which makes you more equipped for such a practical job." Another advantage he adds is "the fact that the company pays for all your training as well as paying you a very good wage whilst you are on your apprenticeship which you don't get from a college or university." Dean would recommend an apprenticeship to "anybody interested, who is willing to put in the time and effort into learning the required skills as well as to do the college work." Overall he says he has found the Jaguar /Pfl experience very rewarding.