



Mountbatten

including top
tips for
CV writing and
interview
techniques

“
Mountbatten is the happiest
place on this earth, something
to be proud of. The support for
the whole team is phenomenal,
it allows me to deliver
outstanding care

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Mountbatten Summer School

2023

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Programme Overview

Learning skills outside of the classroom is so important. That is why we are excited to let you know about our Mountbatten Summer School, which is taking place again in 2023. This 3-day programme showcases the huge variety of career opportunities on offer to your students.

Often when people think about hospice care, they only think about the clinical side of our work. But there are so many different roles on offer; from office-based work to being involved in our many fundraising events and more! Over 250 staff work in all areas of our organisation and they are supported by ongoing education, training and support.

We hope that you and your students will be surprised by the depth of what is on offer at Mountbatten. We know that choosing a career can be a complex and challenging task; our Summer School is an opportunity to come and see a variety of professions in action. We hope that by taking part, your students will witness an organisation where staff matter and are valued, and who in turn strive to be the best they can be in everything that they do.

We look forward to hearing about your students' aspirations and ambitions, and hope that Mountbatten can play its part in supporting and developing our young people for the future.

Nigel Hartley, CEO Mountbatten



Why Mountbatten?

You may already know that Mountbatten engages with young people through our innovative Schools Project. This is a short-term, collaborative arts project which aims to promote public awareness and healthier attitudes to death and dying. Most of our Island primary and secondary schools have been involved in recent years.



Feedback from young people has included: *"I was scared to go to the hospice, but it was really fun", "I learned a lot from our visit and we wrote about it in school afterwards and did an assembly to share what we had learned with the rest of the school", "I thought it was going to be a sad and quiet place and that people would look very ill but everyone looked normal and were laughing."*

Talking to young people about the realities of life and death can seem difficult and sensitive. However, our experience is that often young people have a more open and pragmatic approach than adults. Mountbatten believes that everyone should feel more at ease and comfortable talking about death and dying. During our Summer School, students will be fully supervised and supported by our team of experts. We feel this is an another way to engage young people in our work, whilst also sharing our knowledge about a broad range of careers, many of which are common elsewhere in the charity, health and social care sectors.



Did you know:

Mountbatten supports people with any life-limiting illness, including dementia and frailty. We also offer bereavement support to anyone who needs it, no matter where the death occurred



Why Mountbatten?

Education at our core

Education and training are at the core of hospice care. On the Isle of Wight, Mountbatten is the leading provider of end of life education and training, providing specialist training courses and workshops to colleagues from across the health and education sector. We are certified by the CPD Standards Office to provide accredited courses.

Our aim is to also engage and educate our local community about death, dying and bereavement.

Experts in our field

We are proud to be recognised by the Care Quality Commission as a provider of outstanding care and support. Our courses are delivered by our team of practising palliative and end of life care doctors and specialist nurses, as well as our dedicated team of education facilitators.

Awards and recognition

Mountbatten has a reputation for excellence and is the proud recipient of a number of awards both organisationally and for individual staff members.

This includes being named as Employer of the Year, Isle of Wight Chamber of Commerce Business Awards 2019.



Did you know:

Most of our work takes place outside of our Newport hospice building; we care and support people wherever they live including in care homes, hospital and at home.



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About our Summer School

Designed specifically for 16 to 19 year olds

Practical workshops and sessions run over three days

Explore a range of careers in charity, health & social care

Your students will spend three days based at Mountbatten Hospice in Newport, supported by our Education and Training team, where they will be immersed in the many aspects of our work. Some of the sessions will be classroom based, during which members of our diverse Mountbatten team will share an insight into their career paths and day-to-day working life. We hope your students will take the opportunity to ask as many questions as they want to! There will also be some practical workshops, where your students will have the chance to be part of the daily activities which take place around our site. For example:

- Visiting our onsite gym, to understand more about the rehabilitation of patients
- An interactive session on how to wash hands effectively to control the spread of infection
- A demonstration of basic life support skills and using an automatic defibrillator
- Taking part in a mock radio interview, learning how to promote our charity events
- Taking part in art therapy





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Summer School Timetable

Day 1

Welcome & housekeeping

Mountbatten:

The organisation
Nigel Hartley, CEO

Introduction to the Mountbatten Education Team: What to expect from this opportunity?

Linda Prendergast & Louise Pickford, education & training facilitators

Break

Role of Communications Team in Hospice/Hospitals

Matt White, Head of Communications

Role of Mountbatten Fundraising Team: Can you help us?

Katie Mew, Head of Income Generation.

Day 2

The Patient Journey:

- Day Care and The John Cheverton Centre
- In Patient Care
- Community Services

Nursing Roles:

- Health Care Assistants
- Nurse Associates
- Trained Nurse

Lucy Smith, Director of Nursing

Infection Control: With Practical 'glitterbug' Workshop

Jacky Harry, Senior Staff Nurse

Break

Fluids and Hydration: With Practical 'assisted nutrition' Workshop

Teresa McNamara, Inpatient Unit Sister

Day 3

The role of volunteers

Chris Flatman, Volunteer Co-ordinator

Working in Social Care

Sarah Butler, Social Worker

Break

Allied Health Professionals:

- Occupational Therapy
- Physiotherapy

With Practical 'Moving and Handling' Workshop

Vicky Mortimer, Occupational Therapist and Elise Kendall, Physiotherapist

Lunch

CV's and interviews: With Practical Workshop

Cheryl Blackley, Human Resources Advisor

Psychological Services: Art as a therapy with Practical 'therapy' Workshop

Marion Tasker, Art Therapist

Basic Life Support: With Practical Basic Life Support and AED Demonstration

Linda Prendergast and Louise Pickford, Education and Training Facilitators

Complimentary Therapy: With Practical 'Hand Massage' Workshop

Medical Services and Pharmacy
Paul Howard/John Curtin, Medical Consultants

Music Therapy: With Practical 'Music Therapy' Workshop

Fraser Simpson, Music Therapist

Feedback on Experience: Evaluation and Certificates

Linda Prendergast and Louise Pickford, Education and Training Facilitators

Programme close 3pm

**For more information about Mountbatten's Summer School,
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