

INDUSTRY: HOSPITALITY  
PROGRAMME: CONTEXTUALISED  
LEARNING  
ACTIVITY: TAKEOVER DAY  
SCHOOL: LINLITHGOW ACADEMY



## THE GREAT HOME ECONOMICS TAKEOVER DAY

DYW West Lothian worked in partnership with Linlithgow Academy's Home Economics department to develop and deliver a bespoke Takeover Day for S2 pupils.

The event was designed with the specific aim of encouraging pupils to choose Home Economics as a subject choice in S3 and the Senior Phase, as well as to illustrate to pupils the variety of careers available within the Hospitality Sector.

The takeover day was run by department teachers and Senior Phase pupils undertaking the Skills for Work Hospitality course, with the support of local employers including Café Bar 1807, Linlithgow Burgh Halls and the Edinburgh School of Food and Wine. Pupils attended a variety of hands on workshops throughout the day, including:

- Food Technology
- Cake Craft
- Routes into Work
- Events Management
- Mocktail Making

Pupils were given the opportunity to speak directly with local employers about the career opportunities within the Hospitality and Tourism industry, whilst also speaking to HE Teachers and current Senior Phase pupils about the topics covered within Home Economics in S3 and the Senior Phase.

*Pupils took part in practical workshops that illustrated the skills and knowledge required in specific areas of Hospitality and Tourism, such as customer services, wedding planning, cookery and mocktail creation. The winning mocktail even featured on the menu of Café Bar 1807 for a period of time, which was really exciting for the pupils.*



Over 200 pupils attended the event, with many pupils confirming - at the end of the event - that they were now more aware of the career and job opportunities in hospitality and tourism. A number of pupils also confirmed that they were now considering taking Home Economics as a subject choice in S3.



“ We were really surprised by how little the pupils knew about what working in Hospitality and Tourism actually means. It was good to be able to explain exactly what we do to the next generation. ”

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“ We really enjoyed the day, meeting the pupils and telling them about what skills we are looking for in the hospitality sector. ”

“ Our pupils had an excellent day and it was very engaging for all involved. ”

JEMMA WELSH, HE TEACHER, LINLITHGOW ACADEMY

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