



2021/22 IMPACT REPORT

ENGAGING WITH PRIMARY SCHOOLS TO RAISE ASPIRATIONS FOR THE WORLD OF WORK

162
young people have
been supported

23
volunteers have taken
part

The Leeds Law Society Education Programme enabled businesses to reach-out to the next generation of talent, allowing young people to meet a variety of role models within Law. Aims of the programme included:

- Profiling a range of careers within the legal sector and highlighting clear pathways into these roles
- Developing essential skills of the future workforce to ensure a diverse talent pipeline with the confidence to succeed
- Providing industry professionals with the opportunity to develop their confidence, communication and teamwork skills

The programme took place over the summer term and included the delivery of World of Work Days to Primary school children from inner-city areas across Leeds, encouraging social mobility and focussing on underrepresented groups.

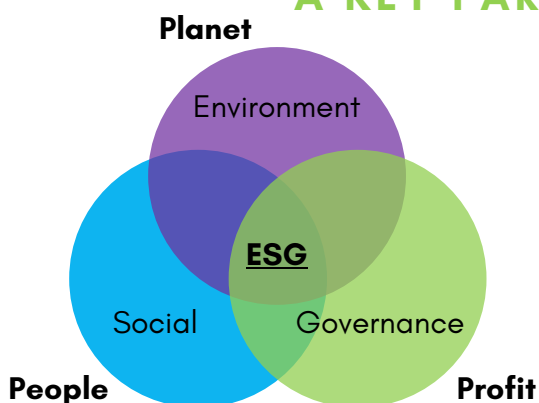
"I learnt how to talk and work in a team with people I don't usually speak to."
- Year 6 student

"I learnt about teamwork, communication, and things about what it's like being a lawyer."
- Year 5 student

"Really great to meet the kids and help them to expand their awareness, challenge their thinking and hopefully inspire them."
- Rebecca Dilks, Gateley Legal

"The student's engagement was fantastic and the organisation of the activities was good."
- Jonathan Morris, Gateley Legal

A KEY PART OF YOUR ESG STRATEGY



- Supports Social Mobility by targeting the most disadvantaged wards of the city.
- Improves diversity by working with cohorts of young people who are underrepresented in the sector.
- Encourages employability by developing essential skills.

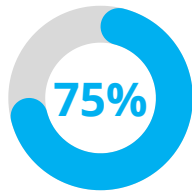
PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHT

Working as the Leeds Law Society's President's chosen community partner for 2021-22 encouraged the support of a variety of forward-thinking legal firms across Leeds. The programme commenced in June 2022, with sponsorship from Gordons LLP of a World of Work Day at Greenmount Primary School in Beeston, Leeds. Volunteers supported a full-day session with 60 Year 5 pupils, engaging them in a series of exciting activities, demonstrating the diverse range of work that takes place at a law firm, as well as encouraging the development of crucial employability skills such as teamwork and communication.

WHAT YOUR VOLUNTEERS SAID



said they have an improved understanding of young people



said taking part gave them an opportunity to network with other businesses

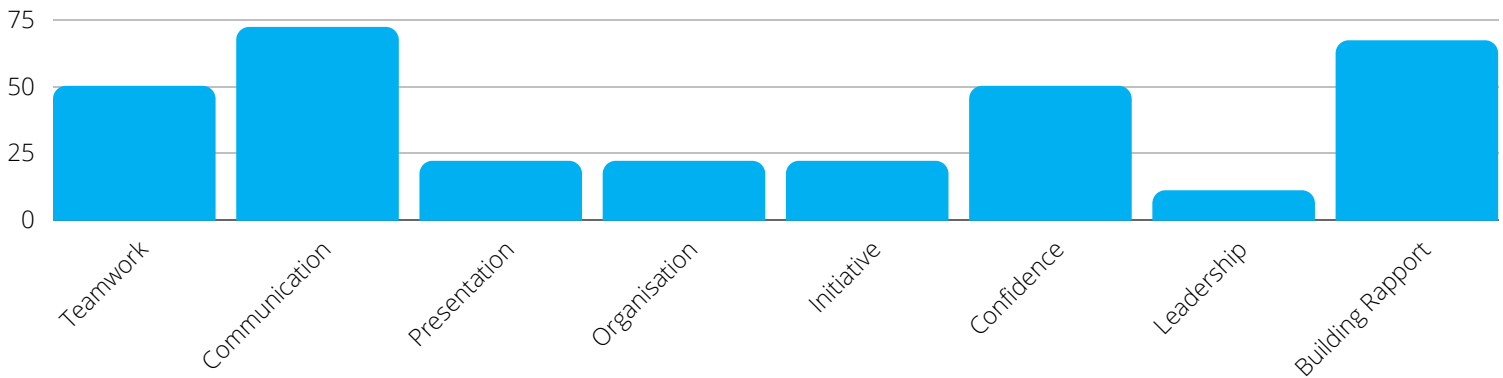


said taking part improved your business' profile and access to talent



said they would take part in Ahead Partnership activities again

SKILLS YOUR VOLUNTEERS SAY THEY DEVELOPED



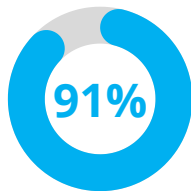
WHAT YOUNG PEOPLE SAID



increased their understanding of how to get into different careers



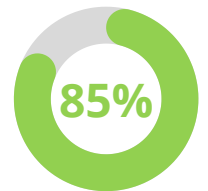
improved their communication skills



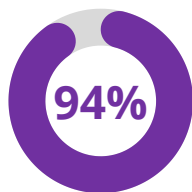
were motivated to work harder at school/college



improved their self-belief and confidence



are now thinking about their own goals after school



developed their teamworking skills



developed their problem solving skills