

This half term has been one of our shortest, only 5 weeks long but also one of our busiest yet! Students have been engaged in all kinds of exciting learning and extra-curricular activities, designed to broaden their horizons, develop practical skills, and inspire future career pathways.

Our students have enjoyed a range of valuable visits that connect classroom learning with real-world experiences. A highlight was the trip to the National Horseracing College, where students explored the equine industry, learned about horse care, and discovered the variety of careers available within this unique field.

Another group visited VolkerRail, gaining insight into the rail industry. Students learned about engineering, infrastructure, and the essential work involved in maintaining and developing the UK's rail network. This visit provided a fantastic look into potential careers in engineering and construction.

Students also participated in a team-building day at Austerfield, where they took part in a variety of outdoor challenges. These activities helped to develop communication, resilience, and teamwork skills, while also encouraging students to step outside their comfort zones in a supportive environment.

Our visit to the Sheffield University Careers Fair was an excellent opportunity for students to engage with employers, training providers, and university representatives. Students gained valuable advice about future pathways, apprenticeships, and higher education options, helping them to make informed decisions about their next steps.

We are incredibly proud of the students who successfully completed a First Aid course and gained a recognised qualification. This achievement not only equips them with vital life-saving skills but also enhances their confidence and employability.

These experiences are an important part of our commitment to providing a well-rounded education. We look forward to offering more opportunities that inspire, challenge, and prepare our students for their futures.

Thank you for your continued support.

We would like to wish everyone a happy Easter break and a well-deserved rest. We look forward to welcoming students back to Vega College on Monday 13th April.

Head of College – Miss G Galloway



KEY DATES

End of Term

Holiday starts: Friday 27th March 2026

Students return: Monday 13th April 2026

OTHER NEWS:

Attendance: Students with higher attendance at school achieve better qualifications. We will be working closely with families over the next term to improve attendance rates. Please check individual student attendance with the mainstream school and our admin assistant at Vega.

Attendance Ladder		
0 days	100%	Perfect
4 days	98%	Impressive
7 days	96%	Good
9 days	95%	Nearly There
11 days	94%	Needs to Improve
20 days	90%	Concerns
30 days	85%	Serious Concerns



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Employability:

Students have been working on their employability skills, focusing on CV's interviews and College applications and have been completing weekly sessions with the Department of Work and Pensions.

Work Placements:

Students with current work placements continue to flourish and Mr Self is working on a calendar of work-based visits and experiences to support our employability skills builder.



TEACHING AND LEARNING

Students have continued to be taught all core subjects as well as Equality and Diversity, our Level 2 Course.

In Maths, Y11 have had a focus on standard form, transformations and probability. Y10 have covered algebra, solving equations and inequalities. Y9 have been covering simplification, expressions and substitution.

In English, students have been focussing on transactional writing as well as poetry anthology.

In Science, Y11 have covered Biology, Chemistry and Physics paper one exam preparation. Y10 have covered reaction profiles, reflexes as well as series and parallel circuits. Y9 have been learning about specific heat capacity, circulatory systems as well as bionic and covalent bonding.

In Equality and Diversity, our new students have started the course from the beginning. Our other students have successfully completed the Unit 1 phase of the L2 award, they will gain their certificates in July. Well done to all our students in achieving this. A sample of their work has been successfully verified by the NCFE.