

# SAMEE Newsletter

June edition!



## *A Huge Milestone for SAMEE!*

We're thrilled to share that we've officially got the keys to our second building!

SAMEE House #2

This exciting step means even more space, opportunity and support for our supported self-employment internship and discovery programme, helping young people turn their skills, talents and ideas into real futures

This new building represents growth, belief and possibility – and we couldn't have reached this point without the incredible support of our community, partners and supporters. We can't wait to see this space come to life and continue creating pathways to independence and confidence through self-employment.

Watch this space... the journey is only just beginning!

### **Bournemouth Echo Article**



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### Update from Mentor - Paul Colla

#### The Launch of our New Parent Support and Coaching Programme

Hi, I'm Paul! I have been a mentor on the internship programme for about a year. As of September, I will be the Year 2 Coordinator, which I am extremely excited about!

I am looking forward to starting the Parent Support and Coaching programme which is called "From Leader to Cheerleader". This is going to offer parents of the young people on our Internship & Discovery programme additional support. The programme offers a mix of individual support and group connection. It is designed to be flexible, personal, and guided by the parents themselves and the mentors involved. If you are interested in either booking on, or finding out more information, please email me on [paul.colla@sameecharity.org](mailto:paul.colla@sameecharity.org)



Big shout out to the mentors that are supporting me with this ..... Sally, Paul P & Dan!

I am loving the journey so far and can't wait to see what's next!

### Do you want to find out more about any of our programmes?

We have a dedicated team that includes staff and beneficiaries who are more than happy to go out and chat to schools, students, parents, and local councils to discuss all things SAMEE and self-employment! Sianell and Rob (alongside some interns) attended three schools within one week this month, so please get in touch if you would like us to come out and speak to your students about self-employment! Give Sianell a message on [sianell.white@sameecharity.org](mailto:sianell.white@sameecharity.org) to find out more information!

Discovery Programme

Steps into Self-Employment

Supported Internship

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SISE Programme

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DEBSS Programme

Disabled Entrepreneurs Business Start-up Service

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### Spotlight on our Internship Programme

Our SAMEE interns enjoyed a fantastic day out with South Western Railway as part of the “Try the Train” experience.

Starting in Bournemouth, the group travelled by train to Brockenhurst, building confidence with independent travel, learning rail safety, and enjoying the journey together.

After exploring Brockenhurst, the interns stopped for lunch and some well-earned downtime before heading back to Bournemouth by train.

The day was full of:

- Building independence
- Developing travel confidence
- Team bonding and social skills
- Trying new experiences

A huge thank you to the team at South Western Railway for supporting such a positive and enjoyable experience for our interns and staff!



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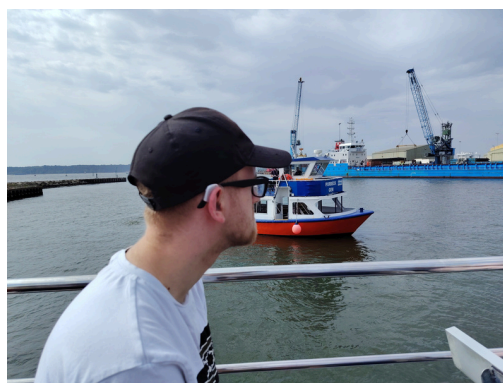
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During the last week in May, some of our interns have started their 4 week work placement on the Brownsea Island!

EM is a budding nature photographer, so this experience is invaluable to him!

LC is a steampunk jeweller and dark arts artist. He is helping teach arts and crafts to the children. The staff on Brownsea Island absolutely love his art so they want to promote his work on the island!

LH is a Gardener and Arborculrist so he is getting involved in the nature side of things!



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## Recent News!

### Interns take a trip to Castle Cameras Event!

Our budding photographers and videographers took a trip down to the Spring Shoot 2026 held by Castle Cameras, Here they got to find out more information on all the big brands, all of the latest cameras, lenses and accessories, and speak to some superb speakers.



### Writers Group!

Self-Employment Advisor Linda, has been working with a few aspiring authors. She decided to set up a Writers Group that meets regularly online to share ideas, ask questions, and be creative! Some of our interns have even got involved!

### Colour Guard inspires innovation!

We were delighted to welcome Mark Painter to the SAMEE Charity, where he spent time with our fantastic interns sharing his journey and expertise.

Mark gave an engaging insight into what it really takes to bring a product to market – from idea to reality – offering invaluable advice and real-world experience.

A highlight of the visit was Mark introducing his new game, giving our interns the unique opportunity to learn, play, and provide feedback. It was a brilliant hands-on experience that sparked creativity, critical thinking, and plenty of enthusiasm! 💡

Thank you, Mark, for inspiring our interns and giving them such a memorable and practical learning experience.



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### 1st Year in LM, presents at The Grasshopper!

We are so proud of first-year intern LM. LM was given a great opportunity to present at the Grasshopper. This was his first experience of giving his first business pitch / presentation.

We also recorded a video of LM giving his elevator pitch and played that to his 30-strong audience. This helped as it reduced the amount he had to remember



## Opportunities



### Volunteering!

#### Would you like to get involved in SAMEE?

We are always on the lookout for volunteers to help on our internship team and office team.

We are also on the lookout for anyone who wants to come in and spend the day with our interns as a guest speaker!



Contact us on 01202 424477 or [sianell.white@sameecharity.org](mailto:sianell.white@sameecharity.org) for further information!