

## IT career talk with The Warren School – Version 1

[Version 1](#), a global leading IT company in collaboration with YPO, welcomed the opportunity to give an insightful talk on careers at [The Warren School](#). The session was delivered to Year 10 and Year 11 Computer Science students regarding the diverse career paths available in the IT industry.

The session was chaired by Mitchell Wilson, a former student at the school. Mitchell, along with two other Version 1 employees, Nikky Millar and Paul Lynch, shared details on how their preferred subject choices and real work experiences had led them to make crucial decisions which have shaped the pathway to their current IT careers.

The team shared an overview of the types of diverse roles that are available (and in high demand) in the technology industry, highlighting the notion that you don't need to be highly technical to work in this field.

The overarching message from the Version 1 team was concise:

Nothing is permanent, and it is entirely fine to explore different career paths and make changes along the way. Hard work, commitment and seizing work opportunities will help students to stand out from the crowd. Work is supposed to be fun, and your company should support you emotionally as well as help to develop your knowledge, existing skill set and experience in your desired field. Remember to be yourself; a team cannot function without a blend of different characteristics, and it is the mix of everyone's skills that drives success.

Ultimately, the session was a great success, with student's actively participating and asking insightful questions throughout. They were keen to understand whether the presenters found their roles fun and if they perceived their current roles as a long-time career. They also asked questions to understand how AI impacted the presenters every-day work and were curious to learn more about the apprenticeship schemes available.

Two students shared their feedback of the session with us:

*"I really enjoyed the session with Version 1. It was inspiring to hear from Mitchell, who was once a student here, and see how far he has come in his career. It was interesting to learn that there are so many different roles in the tech industry, even ones that don't require you to be super technical. The presenters were engaging, and I liked how they emphasised that it's okay to try different paths to find what you love. I now feel more confident about exploring IT as a career, and I'm definitely going to look into apprenticeship schemes. Thank you for sharing your experiences with us!" (Student 1)*

*"The career talk from Version 1 was very motivating. I didn't realise how broad the IT industry is and how many opportunities there are, even for people who might not be strong in coding. I really liked the advice about embracing change and being yourself in a team. It made me think differently about what I want in a future job. The presenters also made their roles sound exciting, especially how AI is part of their work. I'm glad they spoke about apprenticeship schemes because I want to take a practical route after school. This session has made me consider Computer Science more seriously as a career choice." (Student 2)*

Version 1 are grateful to The Warren School for hosting and look forward to more opportunities to engage with young minds and help shape their futures.

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