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**CATERING STUDENTS GAIN EXPERIENCE WORKING IN A
PROFESSIONAL RESTAURANT**

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National Diploma students on Catering courses at Cambridge Regional College (CRC) will be putting their cooking and managing skills into practice over the next few weeks when they will be passing on their knowledge and skills to two groups of GCSE students.

The Catering students from Bottisham Village College came into CRC on Wednesday of this week and another group will come next week to experience what it is like to work in a real restaurant.



Pictured are Daniel Hawkins and Charlotte Dore with some GCSE students

The year 11 GCSE students will spend a day at the College's Riverside Restaurant, preparing to cook and serve a three-course meal to a restaurant full of paying customers. The evening will give the students the opportunity to

work in a professional restaurant, as well as counting towards their GCSE coursework.

Students on the National Diploma Hospitality Supervision course at CRC will be on hand to oversee events, passing on tips, skills and knowledge and ensuring that the evening runs smoothly. The National Diploma students will also be assessed on their performance during the evening as it will form part of their coursework, where they are required to organise and run an event.

Tina Adrienne, Acting Academy Manager in Catering at CRC has coordinated the visit. Tina says: "This is a great opportunity for the GCSE students to gain hands-on experience in a professional restaurant environment. It is also beneficial to the CRC students as they are able to pass on their knowledge and put their managerial skills into practice. This is the third year that CRC has been involved in a partnership like this, and we have had a lot of interest from other schools who would also like to get involved in a similar scheme".

The Riverside Restaurant runs a special gourmet night every Tuesday evening and every Thursday night the students run a themed evening, where they decorate the restaurant and cook specialised food. A Mexican night was held last week and the theme for Thursday 22 November is "Eastern European".

Cambridge Regional College currently has over 250 students on Catering and Hospitality courses, and it is hoped that some of the GCSE students who are taking part in this event next week, will enjoy the experience so much that they will go on to study Catering at CRC next year.

For more information about Catering courses that are on offer at Cambridge Regional College, please call the college on 01223 418200 or visit www.camre.ac.uk

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