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### Kickstart pilots begin

At our 27th annual awards Spark! launched KICKSTART a boot camp designed to support young people as they set out on their very important journey from school into employment. KS4 students complete two tracks: Employability skills and an enterprise challenge, which culminates in an Industry Insight Day. It is being developed with the support of Brompton Bicycles, GSK, London Borough of Hounslow, Sky and Penna.

To watch the launch video and find out more visit [www.sparklondon.org/kickstart](http://www.sparklondon.org/kickstart)



### Cast and crew sought for film by Hounslow young people

A short film 'The Wolves, the Sheep and the Shepherd' (working title) written - and soon to be directed - by Ben Steel a Hounslow Borough student is now recruiting for cast and crew. This is a unique and exciting opportunity for any young person studying or living in London Borough of Hounslow and seeking to develop their experience and CV for a future career in television and film production – or as an actor.

Auditions will be on: Tues 4th Feb 2014, 4pm (West Thames College theatre tbc)

Find out more at [www.sparklondon.org/filmmakers](http://www.sparklondon.org/filmmakers)

## ENTERPRISE AND EMPLOYABILITY EVENTS IN 2014

Spark! link hundreds of companies every year to local schools for events including:

- **Careers Days**
- **Women in Industry**
- **Mock interviews**
- **Employer Talks**

The most successful events usually result from early bookings. To get your schools booking in e-mail [ruby.mir@sparklondon.org](mailto:ruby.mir@sparklondon.org)



## Projects coming up...

- Engineering Challenge
- Thames Water Reservoir to Tap Challenge
- Kempton Park Maths Day (now fully booked)
- BP Day
- Mosaic Enterprise Challenge (now fully booked)
- Young Film-makers Competition (see overleaf)
- Eton Summer School (opposite)

To book your students on today e-mail  
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## Eton Summer School

Since 2007 Hounslow schools have successfully applied for the Eton College Universities Summer School through the Spark! team. The 2013 course saw 18 students from Hounslow schools involved.

Read more at <http://goo.gl/McR7fO> and email Ruby for application information - deadline February half term.



## Spark! Teacher of the Year | Annual Awards round-up

In late November with 150+ guests we welcomed Will Butler-Adams (Managing Director of Brompton Bicycles) to give the keynote address at our 27th Annual Awards - celebrating the best of education-business partnership across Hounslow Borough.

We also launched our teacher of the year award. This was awarded jointly to Gemma Adams of St Mark's Catholic School, Jason Hermon of Lampton School and Jane Buck of Green Dragon Primary School.

Read who received awards in eight categories at <http://tinyurl.com/sparkawardsresults2013>

## New companies we're working with in 2014...

**Allianz Big Yellow Storage Company BSI Cisco Contract Security Services Ltd Lindt Microsoft**

## WRL/WBL Co-ordinators Group

Since Summer 2013 Spark! has been facilitating - at the suggestion of Work Related Learning/Work Based Learning co-ordinators in schools - a termly late afternoon meeting at GSK House. This provides school colleagues the opportunity to compare notes, share best practice, help guide Spark's work programme and also discuss priorities with our industry partners. We are delighted that Will Berryman from Rivers Academy has recently volunteered to become first chairperson of the group.

Register to attend on Wed 29 Jan with an e-mail to [ruby.mir@sparklondon.org](mailto:ruby.mir@sparklondon.org)



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