



# VOLUNTEER

## NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2024

Well what start to my new role – it has been all go since I joined the passionate and dedicated SATRO team six months ago.

There is too much to mention, but some of my highlights include SATRO STEMfest, a day packed full of inspiring encounters with a wide range of businesses showcasing potential careers, and Girls into STEM, kindly hosted by Fluor and supported by many other companies committed to broadening horizons. I enjoyed an inspiring visit to the Legal & General office with a group of neurodiverse students who were treated to a fantastic day of experiences of the workplace, and supported SATRO tutors deliver in a number of schools across our region.

I have also had the pleasure of meeting and working with many of you since I joined and look forward to meeting you all in the coming months. What SATRO delivers for the young people we work with would not be possible without the role you play by volunteering. I want to express my grateful thanks to you all - you are the people that help bring careers education alive for these young people.

2024/25 is also SATRO's 30th Anniversary year and we are all looking forward to celebrating the successes of the young people we work with. We will also continue to innovate and expand our offer so as many young people as possible have opportunities to develop the crucial employability skills they need, raise their aspirations of what is possible and develop the confidence they need to pursue their ambitions. One of our first events we will be our volunteer celebration and thank you event on 23rd October, and I hope many of you will be able to join us.

Andrew  
CEO, SATRO

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# CELEBRATION & THANK YOU EVENT

## Volunteer Celebration Event

### Date

October 23rd  
3.30pm - 5.30pm

- sharing
- feedback
- networking
- drinks & nibbles!



### Venue

40 Occam Road  
Surrey Research Park

RSVP: [Jane.sheridan@satro.org.uk](mailto:Jane.sheridan@satro.org.uk) by October 4th 2024

# VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

## AUTUMN TERM & SPRING TERM

Event	Dates	Location	Volunteer Role
Business Games	<b>2nd October 08.15 - 15.15</b>	<b>Therfield School Leatherhead</b>	Volunteers with a business background to take up various roles, including buyers, and support students throughout the day as they run their business. Suitable for groups of volunteers from different areas of a company.
	6th December 08.15 - 15.00	Hoe Valley School Woking	
	21st January 08.15 - 13.30	Ashcombe School Dorking	
	28th January 08.15 - 15.15	George Abbot School Guildford	
SATRO Construction fest	28th November 08.00 - 14.30	Surrey Sports Park Guildford	Seeking volunteers to inspire students in all areas of construction. Bring a short hands-on activity that demonstrates a your job or sector to engage and inspire students (aged 14-15).
Sports Arena Challenge	4th December 08.15 - 11.15	Merstham Park School Redhill	This is ideal for volunteers with an engineering background. You will support students to build Olympic stadiums using modelling straws and look at future income generation and sustainability.
SATRO STEMfest	24th March	ACS International, Cobham	Seeking volunteers to inspire students in STEM careers. Bring a short hands-on activity that demonstrates a STEM job or industry to engage and inspire students (aged 12-13).

To get involved please email Jane Sheridan [jane.sheridan@satro.org.uk](mailto:jane.sheridan@satro.org.uk)



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# BUSINESS GAMES

## FEEDBACK

We know many of you volunteer at our Business Games. We have collated all the feedback from the schools we went to in June and July and we wanted to share some of that with you....



**86% of students felt they benefited from the support and input of the volunteers attending the event**

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how time is just as important as money is  
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“  
I have learned how many different jobs are involved with business  
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“  
How difficult it is to actually manage a company and coming up with ideas that were quick yet looked presentable.  
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“  
That we actually made a good profit and worked hard with people I don't really know!  
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That some people will give you harsh deals but with more work you can get better ones  
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“  
We learnt what business requires a big team effort which relies on communication  
”

“  
I learnt to communicate better  
”



**75% of students felt that the activity helped them think about their future working lives.**