



## Hospitality Careers Expo for Year 9 Food Technology

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Luke followed the hospitality career pathway as a teenager and studied for 4 years at TAFE while he completed his apprenticeship as a chef at a well know restaurant in Melbourne. After gaining his credentials, Luke worked in London, the United States, Fiji, Hamilton Island, Singapore and on a number of P&O cruise liners. He is now head chef of the 6 restaurants at Revesby Workers club.

This Hospitality Careers Expo exposed year 9 to a number of career opportunities within the Hospitality industry, from managing a restaurant to being involved in front of house (waitressing) or back of house (chef). We learnt that by the year 2020, there will be a shortage of 120,000 chefs and other skilled workers for the hospitality industry. Having a career in this industry is very stable at this time and the employment opportunities are numerous and vast.

Some of the experiences and insights gained by year 9 are mentioned below:

*"From my perspective, the excursion was useful because I learned that it's important to participate in goal setting and doing what you are passionate about. I took away the concept of learning never stops, no matter where you are in your job and always persist."*

*I learnt from the excursion that it's important to start from the bottom and you have to work your way up to where you want to be. I also learnt that you may need to take one step backwards to go many steps forward and you just need to persevere".*

*"I was encouraged to create goals to help me achieve something great, in industry or in life".*

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*"Hard work and perseverance pays off".*



*Luke Mangan Chef*