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The motivated students of Le Chambon

FRENCH CHEER

The above is a picture of our motivated Le Chambon postgraduate students. They are an inspiring group, working together and urging each other on with encouragement and incentive. The messages below from two of the above students contain valuable advice. We would like to thank them both for writing:

"I'm following the Business Management Course. I started postgraduate studies in September 2013 and it keeps you in the current of 'Learning how to Learn.' I encourage the oncoming class not to wait too much before choosing their postgraduate studies subject, because we quickly lose the schooling current."

"Through these lines, I would like to tell you that studying English Courses is very interesting. We often think, 'Well, we know a few words to speak with my friends and that's enough.' Then, we pretend to know English. But there is much more than what we think. I started to learn the Essentials of Marketing in October with a school in Cambridge. I can watch clips video whenever I want; I have a website as well that informs me about my progression. I can also contact by email or by phone a tutrice that offers me a lot of resources. That's a very good help. I really encourage everyone to join me so that we can study together. We need to think that: the more we are the more interesting it is. Here is a sentence in my book: 'Communication is, therefore, key to the continuance of the marketing process and continuous evolution of the products and services offered.' Please join me! J. Make the first step to register to these courses on www.professionalacademy.com"

A PLETHORA OF ENCOURAGEMENT

We have been fairly overwhelmed by the large number of students who have written in singing the praises of their postgraduate courses and encouraging others to join. We have many testimonials and happy pictures, particularly from the European mainland, and would like to print them all straightaway, but there isn't enough room for that. So, if your letter does not appear in this Bulletin, you might see it in next month's edition or the month after that. We are aiming to print a few each time.

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"It's not doing the thing we like to do, but liking the thing we have to do, that makes life blessed."

CIMA CHANGES ON THE WAY

A new CIMA syllabus and assessment plans, to be launched in 2015, are shortly to be announced for those studying for the CIMA Chartered Management Accounting Qualification. The aim is to give students a better chance of progressing successfully through the qualification. It is likely that there will be changes to the syllabus structure and content as well as to the format and frequency of the exams. The message to our students is to continue as normal but aim to complete their current level (ie all 3 Operational, all 3 Management or all 3 Strategic level papers) **by November 2014.**

READY FOR THE UNEXPECTED?

A surprise but very welcome bonus was handed out to the 54 ISMM Sales Apprenticeship students who attended the Training Workshop at Exchange Place on January 21st. Three high-profile Managers from Shell Fuels happened to be at UBT's offices for a commercial meeting and were prevailed upon to give an impromptu pep talk to our budding sellers. The students listened with rapt attention and asked some penetrating questions, the answers to which helped build a compelling picture of how one of the world's best known companies – and brands – has built its success. Indeed, not many organisations globally can claim to have more branded sites than McDonalds and Starbucks! Our ISMM session focused mainly on group activities and provided an excellent opportunity for students to network both with College training advisors and with fellow students.

AAT DEADLINE

AAT students need to be reminded that all AAT 2010 qualifications purchased must be achieved **by 31 December 2014.** Any AAT student who feels that this might not be possible should contact his/her training provider for advice. Although achievements can be transferred from the 2010 qualification to the 2013 qualification there are some modules which require a transitional assessment which must be completed **by 31 December 2014.** It is **absolutely essential** that this deadline is not missed, in order to ensure that every achievement receives recognition.

EAGLE UNFURLS NEW QUALIFICATIONS!

In order to keep abreast (and ahead!) of students' requirements, Eagle Education and Training, the distance learning college which specialises in accountancy courses, particularly AAT, and is used by many of our students, has recently added three new qualifications to those they offer. These are -

1. **A payroll qualification** (International Association of Bookkeepers) <http://www.eagle-education.co.uk/iab-qualifications/iab-level-2-certificate-in-computerised-payroll.php>
2. **A bookkeeping qualification** (bite-size i.e. part of the AAT level 2 accounting qualification) <http://www.eagle-education.co.uk/aat-qualifications/aat-level-2-certificate-in-bookkeeping.php>
3. **A computerised accounting qualification** (standalone) <http://www.eagle-education.co.uk/aat-qualifications/aat-level-2-award-in-computerised-accounting.php>