

This Bulletin's Theme: Keep Positive – Work together

Success is self-created. So is failure!

A positive attitude is like any other habit: the longer you have it, the stronger it becomes!



The Intelligentsia of Gummersbach in session

PMA

We'd like to mention PMA -
Fantastic way to start the day.
It's not a drug, it isn't pills,
But simply ace to cure the ills!

If I wake up and cannot go
Because I think I'm full of woe,
Then take a dose of PMA
To help me brightly on my way.

No need to sit there like a lump
Or selfishly stay in a grump.
How often do I get the hump
Which makes me stay down in the dump?

The problem lies right in my head.
It starts when I'm still in my bed –
So tell your mind what it must think
And pull yourself back from the brink!

It's time to rise above the clouds,
To demonstrate amongst the crowds
That I can give encouragement
And I can stop disheartenment!

Say to yourself – 'It's PMA
That helps us all along the way.'
It spurs us on to greater things –
The satisfaction each goal brings.

P stands for **POSITIVE**, that's sure,
M is for **MENTAL** and, what's more –
A is my **ATTITUDE** – the way
I keenly do my work each day.

A laugh, a joke, a smile, a hope
Are antidotes to being a mope.
So please remember PMA –
It's come to you, and come to stay!

Just meet some friends with PMA
And listen to the things they say.
It's sure contagious, you'd agree
And soon you'll catch the tendency!

And once you've had it for a week
It's part of you and you don't speak
A gloomy word again at all
And never more go up the wall!

THE NEW-LOOK POSTGRADUATE BULLETIN

It has been decided that Tertiary Studies should be renamed Postgraduate Studies and included within the Corporate Learning silo of the UBT structure. This provides a positive upgrading boost to postgraduate studies and means that these Bulletins will now carry the UBT format and colours.

TOGETHER! - THE WAY FORWARD

A young student in Germany decided that he wanted to crack on with his marketing course so he suggested the idea of a once a week meeting together with others in a business premises locally. This was also done in a neighbouring place. So they started meeting in this way and since then they have all worked their brains to the utmost. Multifunctional gatherings provide much-needed motivation for all those present and for others also. These energetic learners help each other along the road of learning even if they are studying different courses. Just the thought that others are faithfully sitting at their studies makes everyone work hard. The students go home every Monday evening with their heads and stomachs filled!

TOGETHER! - GLOWING WRITE-UP FOR ISMM

Two students write: Having started ISMM Level 2 in 2010 we completed this in 2011 and were very impressed with the contents. We are now already working through our second assignment of Level 3! We have both found this course very beneficial as it covers a wide aspect of our daily job roles, it is well structured and supported by helpful tutors and resources.

At first we studied individually but found it hard to be self-motivated as other things always seemed to be more important. Since starting to work together we've found it more enjoyable and we have gained much more from the course. Other advantages of working together are that we can share practical experiences. Being able to discuss them helps us remember what we've learnt.

We would recommend this course to any prospective students who are keen to improve their sales and marketing skills, and to business owners who would like to create more depth in their workforce.

CIMA NEWS

In Bulletin Issues 4 and 6 we reported on our approach to CIMA regarding recognition of accountancy qualifications for non-members. Our request is to be put before CIMA's Executive Committee at the end of February and we hope that a decision will then be made. We will continue to announce any significant progress.

LTC NAME CHANGE

It has been decided that Postgraduate Studies is the new approved name for Tertiary Studies. It follows therefore that the title 'Local Tertiary Coordinator' (LTC) should be changed to 'Postgraduate Campus Coordinator' (PGCC) although there is likely to be a transitional phase when both titles are still used.

COPENHAGEN MEETING

EUK Members of the PGST are looking forward to their next face-to-face meeting at Copenhagen on February 20/21. Global coordination and integration are both moving ahead rapidly and there are many matters to discuss profitably with a view to continued mutual understanding and a united approach to postgraduate studies. We are grateful to Mr Hamish Harding for his willingness to host this meeting.