



# POSTGRADUATE BULLETIN

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*"Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young." Henry Ford*



## THE END OF AN ERA... OR PASSING ON THE BATON...

After ten years of devoted service, two very well-respected members of the UK Postgraduate Team, Mr Oliver Woodcock and Mr Geoff Holding confirmed their retirement from the team and have handed over to two new members, Howard Payne and Phil Devenish, who are both keenly aware that they have a hard act to follow!

Mr Woodcock will continue the search for a way for accountants and others to practise, free of professional membership involvements. See adjacent article.



## V17 GEMS OF GOLD

**3 principles in accounting business:**

- Integrity with the Tax Office & Government Departments
- Do the best you can for the client
- If you make some money on the way through, that's mercy

*'If you do what I tell you it will work!'*

## MEMBERSHIP OF TAXATION AND ACCOUNTANCY INSTITUTES

For students busy studying these subjects, or indeed, who have completed exams, we can report that the Taxation Bodies have made provision for anyone qualifying for professional membership to practise and refer to themselves as a Taxation Technician or Chartered Tax Advisor with letters after their name (ATT/CTA) without membership and voting right involvements. Representation is being actively pursued with the Accountancy Bodies for similar provision but this is not settled as yet.

Contact [oliver.woodcock@ubteam.com](mailto:oliver.woodcock@ubteam.com) for further information.

## CIMA SUCCESS!

The following testimonial was recently sent to us:

*'I have now also passed the final CIMA module on 16th February, so I have completed the course. Thanks very much for your support and help through it all, I really feel that I have benefited from pursuing postgraduate studies, and am keen to encourage everyone to get on with it, do it thoroughly and keep up the momentum to complete it as soon as you can!'*

## FOCUS ON THE SHORTHAND COURSE

Extracts from a recent student recommendation:

*"Teeline Shorthand is an excellent additional course and I have enjoyed every minute of unveiling the hidden codes. It is a language that very few understand and is very valuable during meetings both in and out of work.*

*I actually completed this course alongside my A-Levels in my last year(s) at school. It's a very simple and easy course to pick up and complete and you can take it to the highest level.*

*I would thoroughly recommend this course to anyone wishing to learn a valuable life skill. An excellent course, excellent teacher and your time well spent - enjoy!"*

## POSTGRADUATE STUDIES AFTER YEAR 13...

### - CALLING PARENTS & FUTURE EMPLOYERS -

As the Year 13 students enter the last lap of schooling, we would like gently to remind parents and future employers of the need to look ahead and consider the Postgraduate journey to follow. Your campus CAP Team will be communicating with you and the students over the coming months over the choosing and signing up of a relevant course.

Please visit <http://postgraduate.focus-school.com/courses/> to view the selection of courses currently available. Thank you in advance for your support.

## HOW DOES CAP DIFFER FROM POSTGRAD?

- **CAP** is during school.
- **CAP** makes students work ready.
- **CAP** stretches students and helps them profitably use spare time they have.
- **PGS** is after school.
- **PGS** enhances and builds skill sets in the workplace.
- **PGS** stretches young employees to build them into self-starters, self-finishers, self-motivators.

## ADVICE IF YOU ARE FALLING BEHIND...

- Your course comes with online tutor support – use it!
- Contact your assigned tutor by email or telephone.
- As a minimum, make sure you read the material!
- Ask your local PSC if you can be put in touch with someone else, with their consent, who has already done the course.

*Look out for an update on Apprenticeship Courses next month!*