



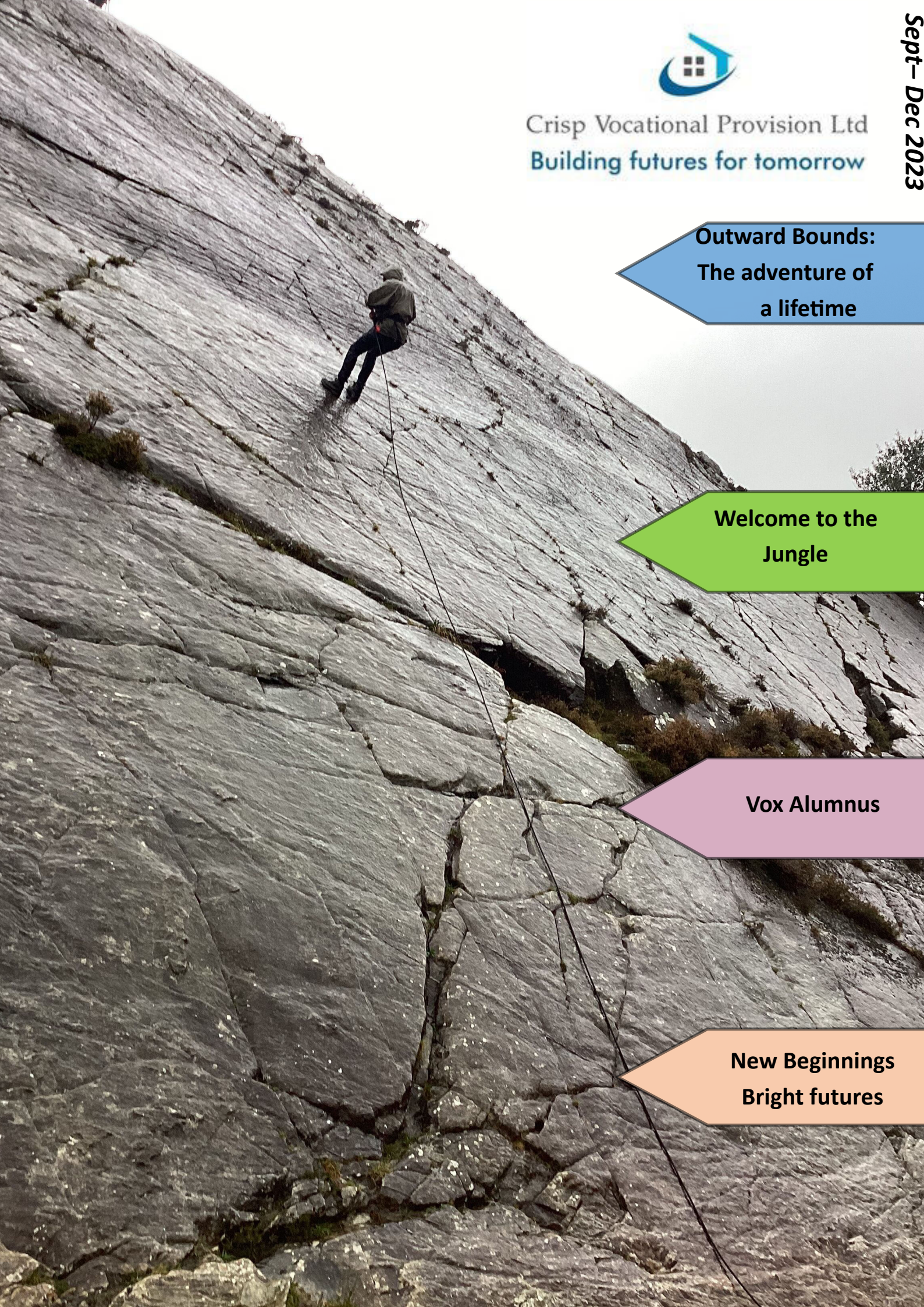
Crisp Vocational Provision Ltd  
Building futures for tomorrow

**Outward Bounds:  
The adventure of  
a lifetime**

**Welcome to the  
Jungle**

**Vox Alumnus**

**New Beginnings  
Bright futures**





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**S**even brave students. Two brave (or stupid) tutors. An undulating, bitterly cold Welsh wilderness. A literal mountain to climb. If it wasn't a group of CVP students with CVP tutors, it would be impossible.

Our students have overcome challenges in their lives that we can't ever understand. However, the Outward Bounds trip afforded each of them the chance to find within themselves a steely resilience and determination. Our students worked together to push themselves outside their comfort zones and pit themselves against challenges like abseiling, camping, hiking and orienteering. Worst of all, a whole week with Simon. They arrived back at Provision on Friday with joy writ large across their faces. Along with exhaustion.

We are all so proud of them for completing this expedition as part of their Duke of Edinburgh award; something CVP is proud to pioneer within alternative provisions.





Welcome to the Jungle—  
We've got fun and games...

During the October break our Deputy Head Simon (along with his simian friend) was hard at work transforming the upstairs of Unit 11 into a gamers paradise. The deep, dark jungle has been illuminated with the glow of ultra hi-spec gaming PC's sitting atop custom built desks and specialised gaming chairs. The Music studio hasn't escaped the spread of the jungle, offering a calm but stimulating creative space for our young artists to flourish. Our students have already embraced competitive gaming which sets them on the path for our newly offered E-Sports BTEC Level 1; something we have developed with an eye on the ever changing world and emerging career opportunities for young people.





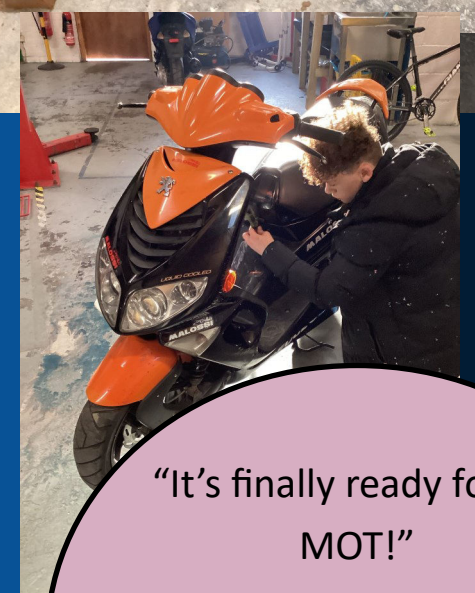
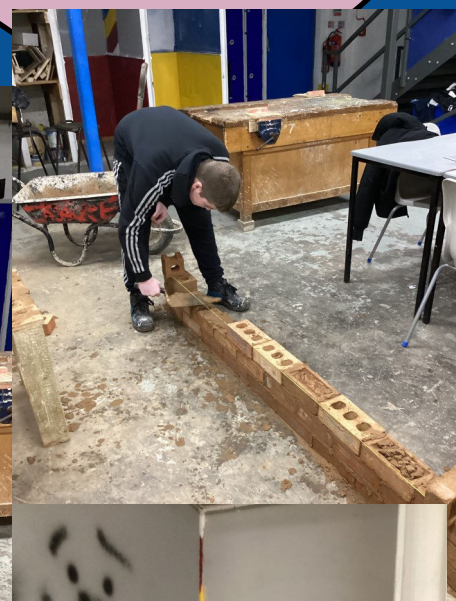


"The visit to Basford hall made me quite excited to go to college next year."



"Laying a wall to line and level was a challenge but the feeling when we had done it was immense."

Year 9 Student



"It's finally ready for it's MOT!"

A very happy mechanics student upon finishing repairing the moped.



"I feel like we're learning how to do everything in construction now."







“Right this provision is the best in Nottingham don’t even test me.”

Year 11 student

**“I never knew E-sports was an actual subject– I really want to represent the school in competitions and maybe even look at a career in gaming.”**

**Year 11 Student**



One thing that will always stay with me is something Kevin said to us after a particularly bad day- “This isn’t a provision; this is a family” and he was right. We might not have always gotten along or lived in total harmony; but we cared for, valued and looked after each other like family.

*One of our recent graduates on what makes CVP special and what he will remember.*



*Crisp Vocational provision is always moving forward, always innovating and always looking for new and exciting futures for our young people. With that in mind, our team has been refreshed with fantastic, talented people with a passion for helping young people. Our newest additions have introduced themselves below...*

## Charlotte Young– Head Teacher



**H**ello everyone,

*I have only been at CVP for a few weeks and I've already been blown away by everything I've seen; from student engagement, progress in sessions and the range of the curriculum offer that individuals are accessing on days they attend in such a nurturing and personalised environment. It has been such a pleasure to get to know students, staff and others involved in the setting and I am looking forward to being part of the ongoing process as Crisp Vocational Provision grows from strength to strength over the coming months.*

*Hopefully I will get the opportunity to meet many of you in the near future.*

*I wish everyone a happy and healthy Christmas and a wonderful new year! See you in 2024!*

**Charlotte**



### Tony Smith– E-Sports and Creative Media



*My name's Tony, I started as a photographer in 1989 and ran my own company for over 20 years. I've worked in IT running my own computer business before working as a photography tutor at a secondary school. Years later I started working in alternative provisions.*

*When I heard about E-Sports and looked into the transferable skills students would have the opportunity to acquire, it was clear that there's huge potential for students to gain the soft skills that will help them into adult life and hopefully help them into a career in the largest growing industry of IT.*

*In the short time I've been at Crisp, I've seen the positive impact it's had on students and look forward to seeing the positive results from engaging in E-sports.*

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### Jake Welch– Construction Tutor



*I am a Bricklayer by trade, but I have been working as a Construction Manager for the last 6 years. I have four children, three boys and a girl. I love spending time with my family and our pets – Hazel a lovely greyhound, Scruffles - a Bedlington terrier; Archie – Italian greyhound and two ferrets called Regie and Ronnie. I also love watching my favourite team Nottingham Forest play. I have been married to my wife*

*Rosita for over 15 years. She is Bulgarian and she loves Sunday dinner and pies.*

*After working as a construction manager for a while I was looking for a change and this opportunity came up. I am very excited about working with the children and teaching them a variety of construction skills. I am very impressed by the facilities and the support I have received by the staff. I feel that CVP has provided the young adults that are studying here with fantastic variety of opportunities so they can set sail confidently into adulthood with great memories, skills, and confidence. I find it very rewarding seeing the smiles on the students faces.*

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### Sam Varley– Life Skills and PSHE Tutor

*I'm a very experienced sports coach and also teacher that has worked within the communities of Nottingham with youths providing them ways to learn and grow their skills to progress into the future.*

*Predominantly was based in mainstream schools and local youth organisations across Nottingham becoming a mentor and life skills coach.*

*Also I currently run 2 boxing clubs withing the Nottingham area Bulwell & West Bridgford which provides a lot of young people with a great outlet from different backgrounds.*

*I am looking forward to putting my skills to great use and showing them the best ways going forward, I'm excited about the future.*

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### Rachel Francis—

*I have worked in Education and Nutrition for most of my life, something I feel very grateful for as it has allowed me to learn and gain skills around my passion for providing healthy meal plans and dishes for families and children.*

*I believe I can make a huge impact on our children's lives by giving them a sense of dependence. To cook a good meal for yourself is an act of self-love and I think young people today need that more than most.*

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### Andy Jones– Music Teacher

*I worked in a mainstream school for 17 years teaching music and music tech. At Crisp, I'm hoping to enable students to produce professional quality music that they can release as independent artists.*