



Tim Goes Back to School



ABT are proud supporters of the local community and especially keen to help develop local talent. Working closely with nearby schools and colleges, ABT are looking to provide highly trained apprenticeship opportunities for students, and as the man pushing this initiative, Tim Morris, Managing Director of ABT recently visited his former high school and spoke with current Headmaster Nigel Griffiths.

Tim met with Nigel to discuss further strengthening links between the company and the school. ABT, recognised recently as one of the Top Performing SME's in the country, is a long-established and successful engineering and manufacturing company in Ross-on-Wye and, as part of its future expansion plans, is keen to develop apprenticeship opportunities for interested students at John Kyrle. Nigel Griffiths and his team are delighted to work with the company on developing this programme and are, like Tim, committed to strengthening education/industry liaison as part of their commitment to the University of Herefordshire programme which has this at its heart.

As a former John Kyrle High School student, Tim was delighted to be shown around the school by Nigel. He was hugely impressed with new investment that has taken place over recent years and the school's success in Maths, Science and Technology in particular. Tim shared with Nigel and his former teacher, Deputy Head, Dave Boyd, how pleased he was to hear continually of the good reputation of the school.

Nigel said ABT's former Managing Director, Nigel Mummery, was Chair of Governors at John Kyrle when he was appointed as Headteacher and was, therefore, a huge supporter of the company! On a serious note, he said ABT is one of a large number of companies locally that continued to show the school huge support and he was keen to do what he could to work in close partnership with them.