

BARISTA AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAMME (GRADE 11)**28 NOVEMBER 2023**

INTENT: At Credence, we strongly believe that engaging in practical and skill-based workshops can provide students career readiness and a well-rounded set of abilities that will prepare them for challenges and opportunities they will encounter in higher education and the workforce. So, we collaborated with Barista and offered the Barista & Entrepreneurship Programme for selected students of Grade 11. The workshop was intended to offer a glimpse into business operations and inspire entrepreneurial aspirations through practical activities, fostering a deeper understanding of the coffee industry.

EXPERIENCE: The Barista & Entrepreneurship Programme was for a duration of a total of six hours. The practical barista skills required to operate a coffee shop which included the preparation of coffee (coffee grinding, milk frothing and latte art) was imparted to students by the Barista staff in the school premises. Theoretical knowledge was acquired by the participants through self-paced online class scheduled for three hours. The online class was informative and interactive with 38 high-quality videos, 16 quizzes and additional reading links. Combining barista skills with entrepreneurship not only enabled students to understand the art and science of making coffee but also provided them awareness into the business side of running a coffee-related venture.

INSIGHT: This was a fantastic opportunity for students where they gained hands-on experience and a chance to see how a business operates from within. The comprehensive program, encompassing both practical skills and soft skills, all while delving into the coffee business was worthwhile, enlightening and much enjoyed.

