

Staff/student partnerships with Peer Support: The BizPALS Recipe

Community & Sense of Belonging

- Greater connections beyond university boundaries
- Sustainable
- Integrated
- Student-led



2018/19

- Edinburgh Award for Professional Development supported by DevPALS
- Accounting for Business
- Two student leaders recruited



2013/14 – 2014/15

- 30 Volunteers recruited and trained
- Driven by staff
- Sessions for one course
- Sharing sessions with tutors



The Ingredients for Success

- Creative Freedom For Students
- Staff Champions & support
- Resources
- Training
- Connections & Community
- Personal Development
- Risk Taking & Reward
- Commitment, Ethos & Purpose
- Patience For Growth



2015/16

- NEW School Senior Leader appointed
- NEW Welcome Week events
- NEW BizBuddies scheme
- NEW Accountancy 1A scheme



2017/18

- Accountancy 1B scheme
- BizSkills scheme is entirely designed and led by students
- Peer support in later years with DissPALS
- Growth of BizBuddies



2016/17

- Accountancy 2A scheme
- Growth of the BizBuddies scheme
- Introduction of scheme committees
- BizPALS promotional materials



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