



# DYW

**FORTH VALLEY**  
Developing the  
Young Workforce

## SHARNELL'S STORY

My attendance at school was good; I liked some parts of school but not others. Basically, being at school wasn't for me and at times didn't feel like I fitted in. I often felt like I was being judged.

I was good at helping others - whenever my friends were upset, I was their go to person for comfort. I enjoyed modern studies because I found it interesting to learn about the world around me; the teacher was fun and helped bring the best out in me. I worked hard and got good qualifications.

I considered jobs in the care sector like being a social worker so I could help other young people who have experienced care and I also wanted to learn more about how children grow and develop. When it came to leaving school I was looking forward to something new. I had support to apply for courses at college from my school, the Care Experienced Virtual Head Team and from my social worker.

My plans changed but I was quick enough to reapply to Forth Valley College and successful in securing a place.

I'm now enjoying college albeit having to learn from home due to covid restrictions. It's not the college experience I expected but I'm hopeful that I can attend face to face lectures soon with my classmates and lecturers.

I have people skills, resilience, adaptability and I'm motivated to get a good job in the future.

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### WHAT PEOPLE SAY ABOUT ME:

*"Has great potential to be an excellent worker in the care sector."*

*"She works hard and likes a challenge!"*

*"She is adaptable, a problem solver and generally a nice person to be around."*

### TOP SKILLS:

- Adaptability
- Motivation
- Positivity
- Problem Solving
- Observant
- Compassionate



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