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Consider Banking As A Career - CIBC FirstCaribbean Head Tells Head Girls

Kingston, Jamaica 14 March 2023, A career in banking may well be among the options for a group of teenagers, Head Girls at five Kingston schools, following a day of “shadowing” at CIBC FirstCaribbean’s Head Office, Knutsford Boulevard, on International Women’s Day, March 8, 2023.

The students enjoyed a full day of presentations from various department heads on their portfolios, including Managing Director Nigel Holness, who shared nuggets of his 35-year career.

Noting that the “once male dominated field of banking now boasts many women in top management roles” Mr. Holness encouraged the young ladies noting “at this bank we have lawyers, accountants, human resources specialists, marketers- all of whom play a critical role in the bank’s success”.

Also presenting to the students were Jerome Griffiths Head of Human Resources; Monique French, Chief Credit Officer; Claudia Forbes, Manager, Corporate Credit Risk; Angene James, Senior Manager, Special Loans; Allison Rattray, Senior Counsel; Sheridan McDonald, Senior Manager, Deals Management; Annique Dawkins, Head of Corporate; Donna Gibson, Manager, Finance; Lancelot Leslie, Director, Business & Infrastructure Support; Stacy Belnavis, Director, Digital Banking and Judith Najair, Associate Director, Payments Operations.

The well assured students declared themselves amazed at the range of skill sets accommodated in the banking sector including those that might be a fit for their academic specializations. Already streamed towards careers in medicine, law, entrepreneurship and engineering, the Head Girls declared themselves appreciative of the “eye opener about other options for employment in banking even with varied qualifications”.

The students included Abby-Gayle Myers, The Queens School; Ana Roman Rodriguez, Ardenne High; Ruth Bakare, St Hugh’s High; Shyann Davis, Merl Grove High; Fafanice McKie, Denham Town High and Melissa Randolph, Immaculate Conception High.

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