

# Wadebridge School Former Students



**Sam Hawkey**

**Class of 2005**

**Forestry  
worker**

**Further Education**      NPTC Certificate in Forestry working

**Higher Education**      Masters degree in Forestry Management (currently  
doing this by distance learning)

## **Sam says.....**

*After school I went to Truro College to study Sport but it didn't work out for me and I left. I then went for a job as a chainsaw operator for the forestry commission and went on to complete my NPTC (proficiency certificate) and worked in forestry for 5 years. I am now studying for my Masters degree in Forestry Management so that I can increase my opportunities in other roles in Forestry work.*

*My work gave me the opportunity to go out to New Zealand and work in the forestry industry there for 6 months, it was amazing! I am now working as a Forwarder Driver, operating the big machinery which is a different role in the Forestry and which I also enjoy. My masters degree is going to be really hard work but it will give me a lot more opportunities in the future.*

**...do your best**

*I think you don't realise how important it is to try your hardest when you're at school because you don't see the consequences. It took me a few years longer to get where I wanted to be because I wasted time early on. Things will fall into place eventually but you do have to work for what you want.*