Weekly - CAREERS BULLETIN

Welcome to this week's Careers Bulletin!

W/c 9th November 2026!

Each week, I'll share a selection of careers opportunities, events, webinars, workshops, work experience and other activities to help pupils explore different career pathways, develop their skills and discover opportunities they may not have considered. You don't need to know what you want to do in the future — explore what's available, see what interests you and discover where an opportunity might lead!

At the beginning of each month, a **Careers Newsletter** will also be shared, providing a broader overview of careers opportunities, including employer activities, work experience, apprenticeships, university and college information, competitions and useful resources. The newsletter will also **highlight Unifrog resources, guidance, free webinars and online events**, as well as useful information for pupils and parents/carers.

Together, the weekly updates and monthly newsletter will help pupils and families stay informed, explore different pathways and make the most of the career's opportunities available.

What happening this week in School?

What's Happening in School This Week?
There is plenty happening across school this week to help our pupils explore careers, discover new opportunities and start thinking about their future! From careers activities and employer encounters to talks, workshops and opportunities to find out more about different pathways, there are lots of ways to get involved.

Whether you already have a clear idea of your future career or are still exploring your options, every experience can help you learn something new. Keep an eye out for careers activities taking place this week and make the most of the opportunities available to you.

- Yr.11 T'Levels & Apprenticeships Assembly – Preston College
- Yr. 11 : selected 20 pupils will be attending an A 'level Maths Lesson delivered by LUSoM
- Year 11 one-to-one careers appointments are currently being scheduled. Pupils will receive notifications regarding the date and time of their individual careers meeting.

Apprenticeships:

Apprenticeships: Learn, Earn & Progress
Apprenticeships are for everyone. Whether you're leaving school, already working and looking to upskill, or ready for a new career, an Apprenticeship lets you gain real-world experience, earn a salary and work towards a recognised qualification.



Why choose an Apprenticeship?

- Earn while you learn – you'll be paid while training.
- Gain practical skills – learn the skills employers are looking for.
- Get industry experience – train in your chosen sector and job role.
- Build your future – progress from entry-level training through to a degree.

Your future starts here - Whatever your age or career goal, there's an Apprenticeship pathway to help you get there.



Discover the amazing world of apprenticeships
Read on to be informed and inspired with careers resources, webinars, vacancies, and more...
https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/

Find an apprenticeship:



Use the following websites to search for apprenticeships:

- https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship
- https://www.preston.ac.uk/apprenticeships/
- https://www.nltg.co.uk/apprenticeships-in-preston/
- https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/career-planning/study-and-training/nhs-apprenticeships
- https://runshaw.ac.uk/study-at-runshaw/apprenticeships/
- https://www.training2000.co.uk/apprenticeships

Career of the Month : Forensic Scientist



What does the career involve?

Forensic scientists analyse evidence from crime scenes, including DNA, fingerprints, and other scientific samples.

As a forensic scientist you'll provide scientific evidence for use in courts of law to support the prosecution or defence in criminal and civil investigations.
You'll be primarily concerned with searching for and examining contact trace material associated with crimes. This material can include:

- blood and other body fluids
- hairs
- fibres from clothing
- paint and glass fragments
- tyre marks
- flammable substances used to start fires
- restricted drugs.

Although evidence is usually presented in writing as a formal statement or report, you may have to attend court to give your evidence in person as an expert witness**.**

Qualification routes

- GCSE Sciences and Maths
- A Levels in Biology and Chemistry
- Degree in Forensic Science or related science



Skills needed

- Attention to detail
- Scientific knowledge
- Analytical thinking
- Problem-solving
- Accuracy

Work experience

You'll typically need experience working in a laboratory. Forensic science laboratories tend not to offer work experience opportunities, so you'll need to look in other related areas. For example, in a hospital or a research centre or in in biological research and development.

As a forensic scientist, you could:

- receive, classify and prepare forensic samples for analysis
- carry out blood grouping tests and DNA profiling
- analyse fluid, hair and tissue samples for traces of evidence , like drugs or toxins
- analyse handwriting, signatures, ink and paper
- provide expert advice on explosives, firearms and ballistics
- research and develop new procedures
- recover data from computers, mobile phones and other devices
- work closely with crime scene officers, the police and accident investigators
- write forensic reports on findings for investigating teams
- act as an expert witness in court

Useful websites

- The Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences
- National Careers Service – Forensic Scientist

Careers Support – Parent Involvement Opportunity



As we begin planning our careers and employability events for the forthcoming academic year, we are keen to strengthen the opportunities available to our pupils and help them develop the skills, knowledge and confidence needed for their future pathways.

To support this, we would love to hear from parents and carers who may be willing to share their professional experience and expertise with our pupils.



1:1 Mock Interview Programme - Friday 11th December 2026 : 1.30pm to 2.45pm



If you work in any industry, profession or sector, you could make a real difference by volunteering to take part in our **1:1 mock interview programme on Friday 11th December 2026**.

These sessions provide pupils with valuable opportunities to practise their interview skills, build confidence and receive constructive feedback from experienced professionals.

Careers and Employability Fair - Thursday 4th February 2027 : 3.45pm to 7pm

We are also seeking volunteers for **our Careers and Employability Fair on Thursday 4th February 2027**, where students will have the chance to explore a wide range of career pathways, learn about different industries and gain insight into routes into employment, apprenticeships and further study.



If you are interested in supporting either of these events, please contact either Mr Baybutt i.baybutt@archbishoptemple.com or Mrs Khan s.khan@archbishoptemple.com for further information.

Your involvement could play a vital role in helping our young people make informed decisions about their future and the opportunity to learn more about different career pathways, sectors and routes into employment or further study.

Your involvement would be hugely appreciated and extremely valuable to our pupils' future success.

Explore More with Unifrog

Do not forget to check out **Unifrog**, our online careers and destinations platform, where you can explore careers, courses, apprenticeships, universities and much more. Unifrog also provides access to a range of **free webinars and online events** covering different careers and future pathways.

Your next great career idea could start with one online session.

Unifrog Virtual Webinars – w/c 9th November 2026

Take a look at the webinars happening this month below these are completely FREE! There are opportunities covering a range of subjects, careers and industries, so **choose something that interests you, register where required and give it a go!**

Date	Time	Event Details	Webinar Link
Monday 9th November 2026	**4.30pm (45 minutes Webinar)**	**Biology taster: a short safari through the human microbiological zoo** *Microbes are everywhere: on every surface we touch, in the air we breathe, and within our own bodies. The diversity of microbes that live in and on the human body rivals the most complex ecosystems that we know of anywhere on Earth. But what do all of these microbes do? Join the University of Birmingham to explore some of the fantastic diversity of microbes that live on and in us, learning about both their dangers – as agents of disease – and their essential role in maintaining health.*	https://www.unifrog.org/events/upcoming/1942-biology-taster-a-short-safari-through-the-human-microbiological-zoo
Monday 9th November 2026	**5.30pm (45 minutes Webinar)**	**Let's explore careers in fashion** *Fashion is more than designing clothes. It's a fast-moving global industry shaped by creativity, technology, sustainability, and business. In this webinar with the University of Southampton, you'll discover opportunities across fashion design, marketing, and management – from developing products and digital experiences to building brands and driving circular change. Explore how an industry-aligned course can help you combine creative practice with business thinking and shape what comes next.*	https://www.unifrog.org/events/upcoming/2043-lets-explore-careers-in-fashion
Tuesday 10th November 2026	**5.30pm (45 minutes Webinar)**	**Geography matters: is there space for renewable energy in our landscapes?** *Increasing the amount of renewable energy is critical to solving the climate crisis. But do we have space for the wind farms and solar panels we need in our landscapes? Join the University of Southampton to hear how geographers are answering this question, and why geography matters so much in today's world.*	https://www.unifrog.org/events/upcoming/2034-geography-matters-is-there-space-for-renewable-energy-in-our-landscapes
Wednesday 11th November 2026		**Can businesses actually solve the climate crisis?** *Can corporate power be used to save the planet instead of destroying it? Join Dr Annette Yunus-Pendrey from UCL's School of Management to explore how modern businesses are rethinking their models to drive real social and environmental change. Discover how management skills can be used to tackle global challenges, reduce carbon footprints, and reshape the future of industry. If you're curious about business, sustainability, or social impact, join us to see how you can drive meaningful change.*	https://www.unifrog.org/events/upcoming/2065-can-businesses-actually-solve-the-climate-crisis

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Upcoming Open Events

Below you will find a list of local colleges and sixth forms, along with their upcoming open days and evenings. Take a look, make a note of any events that interest you and, where possible, register in advance. **Your next step starts with finding out what's out there!**



Cardinal Newman College	• **Saturday 14th November 2026 : 10am - 1pm** • **Saturday 6th February 2027 : 10am - 1pm** **https://www.cardinalnewman.ac.uk/apply-now/open-events**
Runshaw College	• **Saturday 14th November 2026, 10am – 2pm** • **Wednesday 3RD March 2027, 4pm – 8pm** **https://runshaw.ac.uk/events/category/open-events/list/**
Preston College	• **Saturday 7 November 2026 : 10am-1pm** • **Thursday 4 March 2027 : 4pm – 7pm** **https://www.preston.ac.uk/news-and-events/college-calendar/**
Myerscough College	**Saturday Course Advice Mornings** • **Saturday 21st November 2026** • **Saturday 6th February 2027** • **Saturday 17th April 2027** **https://www.myerscough.ac.uk/schools-liaison/open-mornings-and-events/**
Lancaster Royal Grammar	• **Thursday 24 September 2026 : 5.30pm-7.30pm** **https://www.lrgs.org.uk/sixthform/admissions**
Lancaster Girls Grammer Sixth Form	• **Wednesday 4th November 2026 : 5.30pm - 7.30pm** **https://www.lggs.org.uk/sixth-form/applying-to-our-sixth-form#**
Hutton Sixth Form Grammar	• **Thursday 22nd October 2026 : 6pm-8pm** **https://www.huttongrammar.org/sixth-form/**
Training 2000	• **Wednesday 27 January 2027 : 4.30pm – 7.30pm** • **Thursday 28 January 2027 : 4.30pm – 7.30pm** **https://www.training2000.co.uk/events/**





That's all for this week's Careers Bulletin!

Remember: you do not have to know exactly what you want to do yet — every opportunity to explore, learn and ask questions brings you one step closer to discovering what could be right for you



If you prefer, please feel free to reach out to schedule a meeting or to raise any initial questions regarding career planning and available opportunities by emailing: **s.khan@archbishoptemple.com**

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