

OPPORTUNITIES BULLETIN

04.05.23



Life After School

COLLEGE?
UNIVERSITY?
EMPLOYMENT?
TRAINING?
APPRENTICESHIPS?
GAP YEAR?

WHATEVER YOUR NEXT STEP YOU'LL FIND INFORMATION TO HELP YOU DECIDE IN THIS WEEKS BULLETIN.





YR 7,8 & 9 CAREERS FAIR TUESDAY 27th JUNE 2023

A LEVEL RESULTS DAY
THURSDAY 17th AUGUST 2023

GCSE RESULTS DAY
THURSDAY 24th AUGUST 2023



BISHOP CHALLONER UPCOMING EVENTS

2023

Summer Exam GCSE and GCE provisional timetables

GCE EXAMINATION
TIMETABLE

GCSE EXAMINATION
TIMETABLE



EXAM TIPS





Make a revision timetable

Help set up your time management. Write down how many exams you have and on which days you have them. Then adjust your study accordingly. You may want to give some exams more time than others, so find a balance that works.





Think positively

Remind yourself on how you overcame previous set backs. This will help you deal with future challenges and help build a mental resilience. View the exam as an opportunity or as a challenge.





Don't compare yourself with others

Remember, everyone's different and everyone studies differently. Focus on yourself and not on others as this will stress you out. Instead, focus on what you can control.





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Get enough sleep and drink enough water

Being well hydrated is essential for your brain to work at it's best so make sure you drink plenty of water throughout your studies and on exam day.

Use sleep to your advantage and plan ahead.

Don't over use caffeinated drinks in an effort to stay awake!







Take regular breaks

If you were training for a marathon, you wouldn't try to run for 24 hours a day. Likewise, studies have shown for long-term retention of knowledge, taking regular breaks really helps.

Everyone's different, so develop a study routine that works for you and don't feel guilty about being out in the sunshine instead of hunched over textbooks!



LOCAL COLLEGE AND SIXTH FORM OPEN DAYS

2023

CLICK ON THE LINK
BELOW TO ACCESS
INFORMATION ON
UPCOMING OPEN
DAYS.

FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION
AND DATES HERE

UniTasterDays

How can UniTasterDays help with your university decisions?



UniTasterDays is a directory of university events for school groups and individual students



SEARCH FOR UNIVERSITY EVENTS, BROWSE ON DEMAND WEBINARS, ACCESS RESOURCES AND MUCH MORE

FIND OUT
MORE HERE



Not going to Uni? Explore your options!

Not going to uni?

So you're not 100% sure on whether you want to go to university! It's certainly not the only option open to school/A-Level leavers!

On of the main drivers in making such a critical decision is whether or not you know what type of work you want to do — and possibly for the rest of your life! If you want to be a doctor or a dentist, you're pretty limited to the university route! If you aren't 100% sure yet (and you won't be alone here) then it's a great idea to spend some time to explore your options.

There are several places you can get advice including the <u>National</u> <u>Careers Service</u>. One thing is for sure, you don't need a degree to be successful!

FIND OUT MORE HERE



NGTU is the #1 website for school and college leavers. Search thousands of jobs, opportunities and apprenticeships in UK and find your perfect fit!

READY TO START YOUR FUTURE CAREER? CREATE A PROFILE HERE





17:00-19:30

Millennium Point, Birmingham Livestreamed

Apprenticeships? What's the catch?

- Networking.
- Q&A Panel.
- Insight into apprenticeship opportunities with these employers.
- Prizes to be won on the night!

















Saturday 13th May, 10am to 3pm on Zoom

A free healthcare careers event for Y10-Y11 students

Interested in a career in healthcare? Don't know where to start?

Join the **DR.EAM Big Conference** for the opportunity to hear inspiring talks from real healthcare professionals and interact with them live.

- √ Gain insight into studying healthcare courses at university
- √ Discover various journeys into health-related careers
- √ Witness the daily lives of doctors, nurses, midwives, and more
- ✓ Ask these healthcare experts your burning questions!







It matters more here

100 Live Customer Services Group – Level 3 Administrative
Officer Apprenticeships
Vacancy ref: 285196
Salary £22,400 -£26,400
Closing date 5th June 2023

THURSDAY 11TH MAY - 1.00PM

Customer Services Admin Officer Apprentice Recruitment Event 1

WEDNESDAY 17TH MAY – 6.00PM

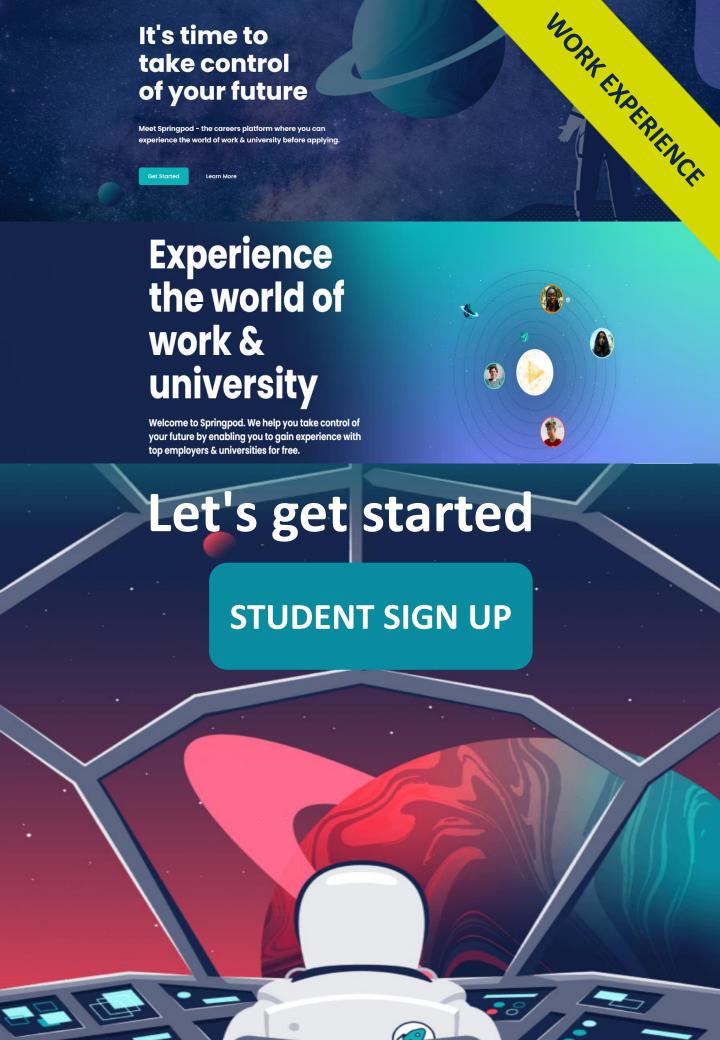
Customer Services Admin Officer Apprentice Recruitment Event 2

TUESDAY 23RD MAY - 6.00PM

Customer Services Admin Officer Apprentice Recruitment Event 3

TUESDAY 30TH MAY - 1.00PM

Customer Services Admin Officer Apprentice Recruitment Event 4





University? We can help.

Find courses, read honest reviews, get expert advice.

SEARCH



Open day top tips: what to do (and what not to do)

WORK ET DEPIENCE



Find a career you'll love

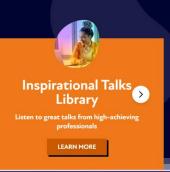
Want to get a head start in life? Click 'Get Started' to find out which types of careers ar likely to suit you, or scroll down to discover amazing work experience, inspirational talks, a other great resources.

How can we help you?

We believe every young person should have the opportunity to s potential, including you. If you attend a UK state secondary school or college, click on the tiles below to explore our latest work experience opportunities or browse our library of inspirational talks.







Who benefits? You do!

We know it can be hard to get ahead or even imagine yourself in certain careers. By giving you the chance to explore what's out there and decide for yourself what suits you best, we can help you take control of your own future.

Learn about a wider range of career options Get in front of big-name businesses wherever you live Boost your skills and confidence Get evidence for your CV or personal statement Find careers that really suit you Get free support to help you reach your potential

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Find an apprenticeship

ADDRENTICESHIPS



Find an apprenticeship Find an apprenticeship in England. You can apply for apprenticeships in Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales.

SEARCH





Discovery Days

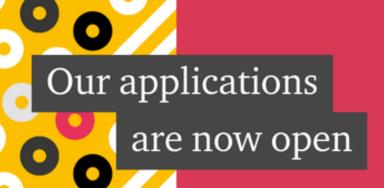
We will be offering a range of subject specific on campus Discovery Days during the academic year.

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Below are our Discovery Days for the 2022/23 academic year. These are broken down by our faculty areas.

Find out more about our events - HERE





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VIEW ALL OPPORTUNITIES



School and College Leaver Jobs

Apply to our school and college leaver jobs



School and College Leaver Events

Search and book onto an event to meet us



BIRMINGHAM CAREERS HUB PROVIDES A WIDE RANGE OF INFORMATION ON CAREERS RESOURCES AND EVENTS —

CHECK OUT THE LINKS BELOW.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES

APPRENTICESHIPS



Birmingham Careers Service is a free and friendly support service providing careers information, advice and guidance to young people aged 16 to 19 who are not in education, employment or training (NEET). If a young person has a learning difficulty and/or disability then we can help them until they are 25.

Marketplace



Visit Birmingham Careers Service Marketplace and check into the following rooms:

- Room 1 College & 6th Form
- Room 2 Training Provider Room
- Room 3 Opportunities for me
- Room 4 Careers Library
- Room 5 SEND Information
- Room 6 Personal Development
- Room 7 Activities

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Helping you take the next step

FIND OUT MORE HERE

We provide careers information, advice and guidance. We can help you to make decisions on learning, training and work at all stages in your career.



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Police Officer Recru

Our officers play a vital role in ensuring that the communities of the West Midlands are kept safe. It isn't easy but it is rewarding and can be a career like no other. We want people to join us who have a range of life experiences and backgrounds; it is vitality important that we represent all of the communities that we serve.

Policing uses plenty of **everyday skills**, from being able to reassure someone who has been a victim of crime to just being that friendly face that encourages a vulnerable person to open up and talk. Our training equips officers for the specialist skills they need to do the job, but it's the **human touch** – kindness, humour, friendliness and empathy – that people remember.

FOR MORE INFORMATION



AppRENTICESHIPS

NHS apprenticeships

Earn, learn and make a difference with an NHS apprenticeship. Our apprenticeships offer routes into many of the more than 350 NHS careers through a mix of on-the-job training and classroom learning.

What you need to know about NHS apprenticeships

- •if you are aged 16 to 18 or 19+ and in your first year of an apprenticeship, the minimum you should receive is £4.30 an hour (the National Minimum Wage for apprentices)
- •many NHS employers will pay you more than the minimum wage
- they take between one and five years to complete
- •anyone over the age of 16 can do one
- •you're likely to spend four days on work placement and one day or at a training centre or college
- •you'll develop your skills, including English and maths
- •you'll gain a competence qualification (based on what you can do in the workplace) and a knowledge qualification, or a qualification combining both

FIND OUT MORE

Meet our apprentices



APPRENTICES

Browse apprenticeships before you apply

ADDRENTICESHIPS



Use this search to browse which apprenticeships are available based on your interest and location.

Select an interest	
Select interest	~
Enter your postcode	
SEARCH	

BECOME AN APPRENTICE CREATE AN ACCOUNT HERE

<u>'Find an apprenticeship</u>' is an online government service which allows you to search, save and apply for apprenticeship opportunities.

The service is used by thousands of employers to advertise their current apprenticeship opportunities, making it easier for you to find the right apprenticeship for you.

Let open days open your mind to what a university or college has to offer...

UCAS

Get talking!

No one knows a university better than its students. so take the opportunity to talk to them during campus tours and accommodation visits.

Plan your day

Decide in advance which talks you want to go to so you don't miss the topics you're interested in.

Make notes

There's a lot to take in so it'll help when you come to comparing different universities and colleges afterwards.

Ask questions (lots of them!)

Make a list of what you want to know before you set off and check you've got all the answers before heading home.

Keep in touch

Take an email address for someone you can contact after your visit in case you think of more questions you'd like to ask.

For open day dates go to

www.ucas.com/open -days-dates.

opendays.com

university + college open days

Opendays.com is a web site providing students with university and college open day information.

The most comprehensive open days web site in the UK. Easily accessible listings of all university and college open days throughout the UK.



DETAILS PROVIDED

Open day dates, booking information, travel details, monthly calendars and mini prospectuses for over 300 universities and colleges in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

EASY TO USE

It is easy to find the information you seek either through a comprehensive search facility or browsing the open day calendar.

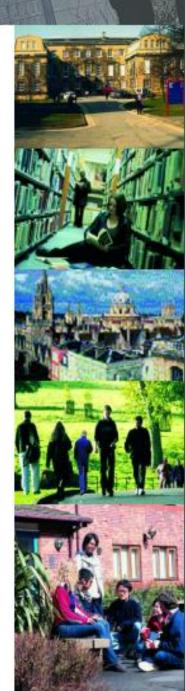
ONLINE BOOKING

You can also save details of open days/ institutions that interest you and use our 'Online Booking System' to book your place at an open day!

ADVICE SECTION

Higher Education opportunities, What To Do At Open Days, UCAS Forms and Gap Years.

Remember our website opendays.com and tell your friends about the service.



UNIVERSITY MASTERCLASSES, EXPLORE DAYS AND SUBJECT ACTIVITIES

(BOOKING NOW OPEN – SEE MRS NEWTON FOR MORE DETAILS)

For more information click on the images below.

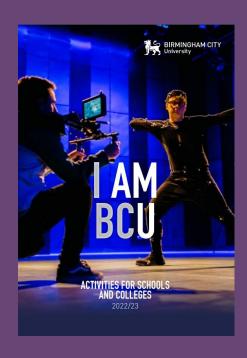






BCU RESOURCE HUB FIND OUT MORE HERE

We have created a range of resources for you to help you explore the world of Higher Education.



Lean Liverships

Learn Live seeks to inspire the next generation through engaging and interactive live broadcasts direct into the classroom. Learn Live have worked successfully with companies like The BBC, Balfour Beatty, Gatwick Airport, National Apprenticeship Service, Lancashire LEP, Network Rail, IBM, Health Education England and The NHS since 2015 to deliver careers advice, recruitment opportunities and health awareness broadcasts into schools and colleges across the UK.



FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO JOIN



IT'S ONLY 8 WEEKS UNTIL OUR WORK EXPERIENCE WEEKS COMMENCE!!

THE BULLETIN HAS LOTS OF GREAT INFORMATION AND SUGGESTIONS ON HOW TO FIND A PLACEMENT.

CHECK OUT THE POSTERS ON PAGES

31 & 32 FOR SOME USEFUL TIPS ON
HOW TO FIND A PLACEMENT.



PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE RETURNED YOUR WORK EXPERIENCE

MEDICAL CONSENT FORM

ONCE YOU HAVE SECURED A PLACEMENT YOU ALSO NEED TO COMPLETE AND RETURN A PLACEMENT CONFIRMATION FORM

SEE MRS NEWTON IN THE LIBRARY IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES OR YOU CAN EMAIL b.newton@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk

WORK EXPERIENCE FORMS

SAVE THE DATES...

YR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK 3rd – th JULY 2023

YR 12 WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK 10th – 14th JULY 2023

WORK EXPERIENCE How to find a placement

WORK ET DERIENCE Do you know the type of work experience you would like to do?

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If yes, follow these steps...

Do you know anyone who works in the area of work you are interested in? (This could be family members, or Friends of) the family, neighbours or friends' parents etc.)

If yes, ask them if the organisation they work for could offer you a work experience placement.

> If successful go to Step 5. If unsuccessful go to Step 2.

NO

If no, follow these steps...

Let your Head of Year know ASAP so that we can organise a workshop for you in the Library where we can discuss ideas.

You can also start to gather ideas by going onto www.uniFrog.org and completing the Work Environment profile quiz.

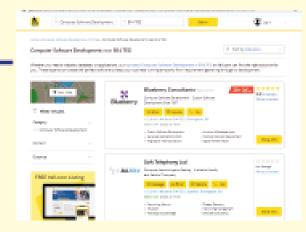
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Go onto www.yell.co.uk

Insert the area you are interested in e.g. computer software and YOUR postcode then hit search.

Use the Contact Details provided

Use the contact details provided on this list to either call or e-mail the company to ask them if they can offer you a placement. (You may need to go onto the company's website to find their e-mail or phone number).





This is the most direct way of getting hold of someone at the company. When you call, you should:

- Ask to speak to someone about work experience
- Tell them your name, what school you go to and when the work experience dates are

(3rd July 2023 - 7th July 2023)

- Tell them that you have a real interest in this kind of work and would be grateful for an opportunity to get some insight into it by doing some work experience with
- Be prepared to give them your e-mail address or phone number for them to contact you on.

Complete the Work Experience Form

Complete the Work Experience Form outlining where you're going (with your parents/carers signature) and hand it in to Mrs. Newton in the Library. Once the Health and Safety checks have: been done on your placement, it can go ahead.



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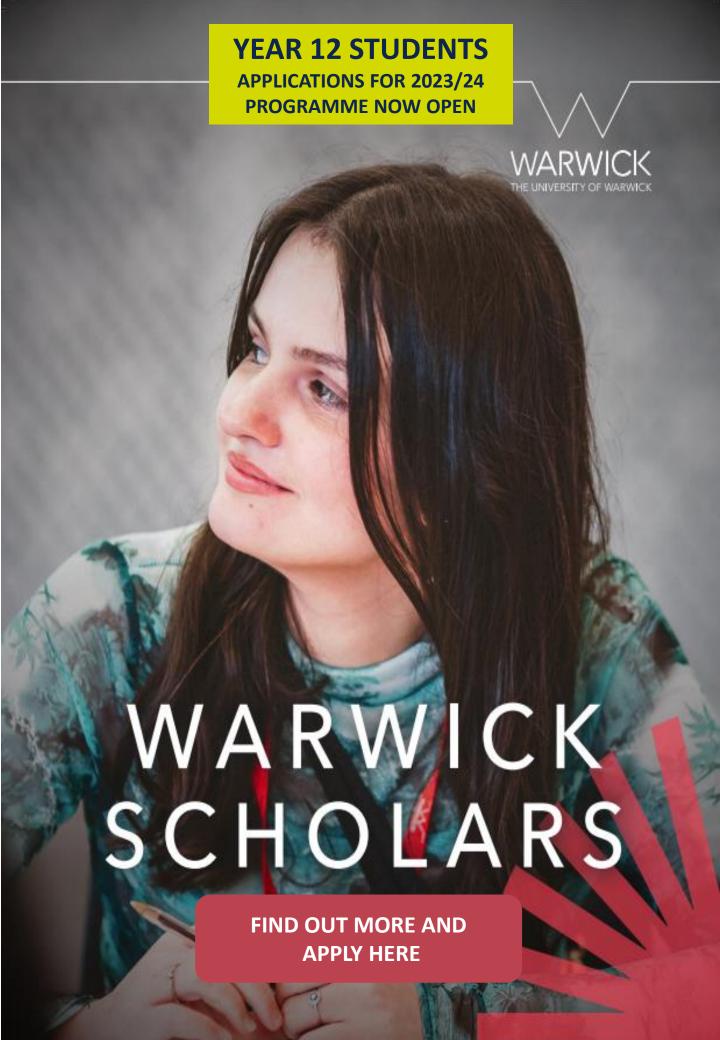
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UNIVERSITY MASTERCLASSES ARE A GREAT WAY TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT DEGREE SUBJECTS AND UNIVERSITY LIFE.

MORE INFORMATION ON UNIVERSITY
MASTERCLASSES AND SUBJECT TASTER SESSIONS
CAN BE FOUND ON THE NEXT FEW PAGES.

PLEASE SEE MRS NEWTON IN THE LIBRARY IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BOOK A PLACE.





GRESHAM

COLLEGE



Are you looking for resources that complement and yet go beyond the school curriculum? Expert sources to help you stand out from the crowd at sixth form and university interview?

Gresham lectures are a great resource for both teachers and students because they provide stretch, challenge and support for the GCSE, A Level and International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum.

As a student, attending Gresham lectures in person or watching online can deepen your knowledge and develop new ideas, concepts and perspectives that can be used and referenced in exams, coursework (including EPQs), and at university interviews,

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What are the advantages?

- OpenLearn free courses are available immediately
- •Our courses do not have a start and end date. You can start right away or at a time that suits you.
- You can work through at your own pace
- •You can spend as long as you like on an OpenLearn course, plus, if you sign up you can track your progress and work towards a statement of participation.
- There are around 1000 courses to choose from
- •The courses always focus on a specific area of learning. Some focus on important and fascinating academic subjects, whilst others help you develop skills needed for study or work.
- You can try out what's on offer from The Open University
- •If you're interested in taking an Open University course but are not sure what to study or if distance learning is right for you, then OpenLearn lets you get a feel for what's on offer.



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You can start this course right now without signing-up.

Click on any of the course content sections below to start at any point in this course.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION



WORK EXPERIENCE

Welcome to Success at School!

Success at School is the place for young people to explore careers, get the lowdown on top employers, and search for the latest jobs, courses and advice. Get career smart and Register today!



Career Zones

Explore different careers, how to get there and what to study



Employers

Find out about top employers, what it's like to work for them and what they have to offer you



Universities

Explore life on campus and get updates on the latest courses, events and open days

News

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Covid-19: Sponsored Gatsby Subject Guides Free...

To help you prepare for the start of National Career Week on 1st March, we're giving you free access to our sponsored Gatsby...

A quarter of survey respondents say their school...

GCSEs and A-levels were cancelled this year due to Covid-19 and replaced with Centre Assessment Grades, with schools and...





Supporting your child through their GCSEs

Is your child sitting their GCSEs this summer? Wondering what you can do...



Why do an apprenticeship?

Apprenticeships are increasingly becoming a popular option for young people...



How to become a train driver

Train drivers do an important job, helping us travel around and get to where...

Forums

Go >

maxillofacial surgeon

Hi, Did my question go through?

What should i do for my GCSE's?

Hi. I was just wondering which GCSE subjects i should pursue for the job of maxillofacial surgeon, (I would prefer to become...

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