



# OPPORTUNITIES BULLETIN

20.07.23



**BUT ...** THE FINAL BULLETIN OF THE SCHOOL YEAR IS STILL PACKED WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO KEEP YOU BUSY OVER THE SUMMER AND BEYOND...

HAVE A GOOD BREAK AND SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!



**STAY IN TOUCH!**



#SunsOutBrumsOut!

# Sun's Out, Brum's Out!

There's so much going on in Birmingham this summer. From good food and festivals, to family-fun and a few things that only we can offer – no matter where you go, some things can only be done the Brummie way.

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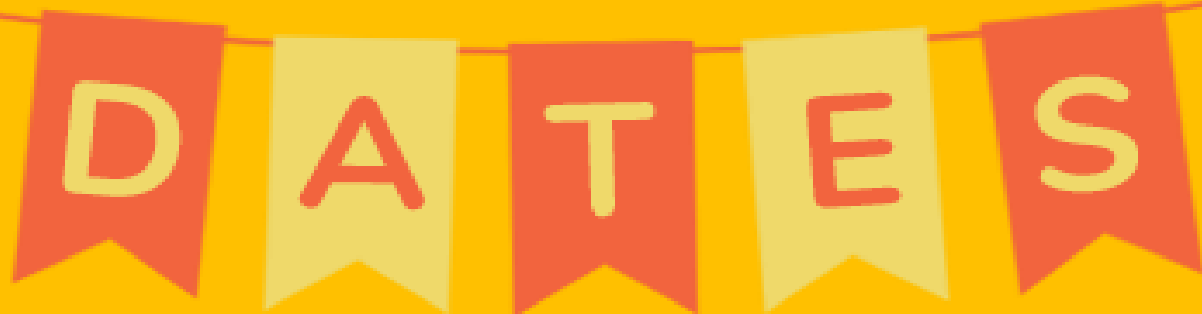
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FOR YOUR DIARY

A LEVEL RESULTS DAY  
THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> AUGUST  
2023

GCSE RESULTS DAY  
THURSDAY 24<sup>th</sup> AUGUST  
2023



**BISHOP CHALLONER UPCOMING EVENTS**





# INSIGHT INTO UNIVERSITY



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## HELP STUDENTS DECIDE WHETHER UNIVERSITY IS THE ROUTE FOR THEM

Insight into University is a comprehensive virtual experience allowing students to explore STEM studies at university and the career opportunities that these subjects lead to. It provides access to information on student life, STEM projects and activities set by leading UK universities and global STEM companies, first year undergraduate lectures, live interactive sessions with academics, admissions tutors, employers and current students.

Whether young people are interested in life sciences, chemistry, biomedical, forensic science, robotics, food science, electronics, engineering, physics, computer science, sustainability, materials science, aerospace, built environment, tech or maths, we have something for them. With specially developed content and live sessions from universities including University of Cambridge, Sheffield, Lancaster, Abertay, UCL, Oxford, Liverpool, Edinburgh, Birmingham, Warwick, Kingston, Nottingham, Strathclyde. We will also have some fantastic workshops and careers guidance from organisations such as Innovate UK, GSK, GE, Tech Partnership, Rolls Royce and more.

The unique feature of this course is that students are able to access content from a diverse range of STEM subjects and will be able to tailor a course that suits their interest.

On successful completion of the course, which involves 30 hrs of study, students will receive a Silver Industrial Cadets award and be in a position to make a more informed decision for their UCAS application.



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# Aston University Open Days

Friday 7 July

Saturday 30 September

Saturday 18 November

Birmingham

- Meet lecturers at subject-specific talks
- Ask questions about your course
- Talk to our current students about life as an Aston University student
- Take a campus tour
- Speak to our admissions and finance teams and more.





**COLLEGE & SIXTH  
FORM OPEN DAYS**

**BIRMINGHAM  
CAREERS SERVICE**  
guiding young people

YOUR CHOICE  
YOUR FUTURE

# 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**



# THE SMART KID

ARE YOU A GSCE, A-LEVEL, UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT OR RECENT GRADUATE?

## ACCESS TO THE BEST ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES IN UK IS HERE...

You are just a click away from UK's best work experience, courses, scholarships, insight days, apprenticeships and internships

[SEE LATEST OPPORTUNITIES](#)

### BEST OPPORTUNITIES FOR UK STUDENTS

If you are seeking the best enrichment opportunities for students in UK, you are in the right place.

This page is updated at least once a week with the latest and best jobs and extra-curricular opportunities for students and recent graduates. Keep checking back here, you never know what you may find.

**FIND OUT  
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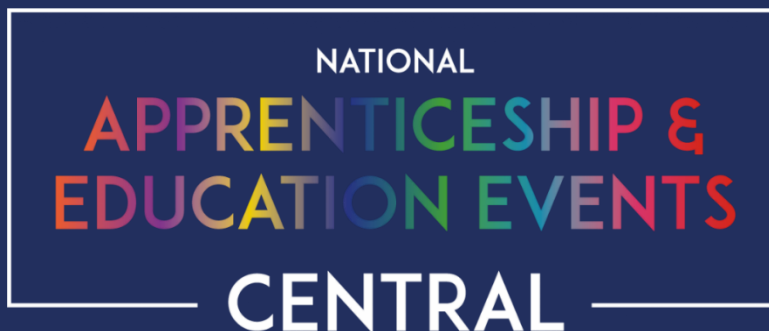


# NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP & EDUCATION EVENTS

Inspirational Careers Events  
**NORTH, CENTRAL & SOUTH**

The National Apprenticeship and Education Events are designed to inspire young people with apprenticeship, traineeship, t-level and FE opportunities.

**FIND OUT MORE HERE**



Inspirational Careers Event  
Millenium Point, Birmingham UK  
Tuesday 3 October 2023 | 9.30am - 3pm

**SAVE  
THE DATE!**

THE NATIONAL SCHOOL & COLLEGE LEAVER

# FESTIVAL

THE NEC, BIRMINGHAM, 7 - 8 NOVEMBER 2023



NSCL Fest is a fully interactive, immersive & importantly 'fun' two-day showcase held to inform & inspire our future talent pipeline & showcase the best opportunities that Employers, Colleges, Universities & other Training Providers have to offer.

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## Find a career you'll love

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

[GET STARTED](#)

## How can we help you?


We believe every young person should have the **opportunity to succeed** and reach their 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.



### Upcoming Broadcasts

See what's new and next in our series of inspirational talks

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### Work Experience

Get world-class work experience with top companies

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### Inspirational Talks Library

Listen to great talks from high-achieving professionals

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## 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

**REGISTER HERE**



# It's time to take control of your future

Meet Springpod - the careers platform where you can  
experience the world of work & university before applying.

[Get Started](#)

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## Experience the world of work & university

Welcome to Springpod. We help you take control of  
your future by enabling you to gain experience with  
top employers & universities for free.



## Let's get started

**STUDENT SIGN UP**



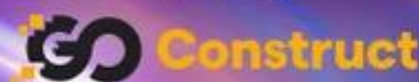


FOR PARENTS,  
CARERS & GUARDIANS

**Flick through and discover:**

5 questions to help your child to  
think about their next steps  
Work Experience  
In demand jobs  
Apprenticeships: A Go to Guide  
Preparing for your child to leave for uni  
Spotting the signs of bullying  
T Levels  
& Much more!

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**SECTOR SPOTLIGHTS**

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**Careermag for Parents,  
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RESULTS DAY 2023

Find the right path for you

# **careermag** FOR SCHOOL LEAVERS

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**Space**

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**Featured in this issue:**

**Results Day Support**

**What careers link to Geography, Art and PE?**

**Celebs who went to Uni**

**What work experience do you need?**

**How to choose a bank account as a student?**

**Lesson plans and resources for teachers & MORE!**

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# National Careers Service

Helping you take  
the next step

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**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**

# 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...

## Advice

Go >



### 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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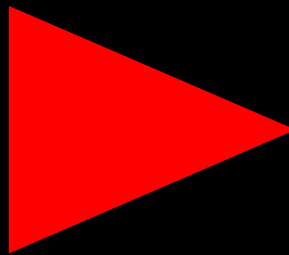
ALL our students have access to **unifrog**

Here they can access a wealth of information about apprenticeships, university and college courses, careers advice, work experience information, CV and personal statement tools and much more....

They can access at home 24/7 and it's a great starting point for their career exploration and planning.

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# UniTasterDays

How can UniTasterDays help  
with your university decisions?



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



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BROWSE ON DEMAND WEBINARS,  
ACCESS RESOURCES AND MUCH MORE**

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# 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!

One 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 [National Careers Service](#). One thing is for sure, you don't need a degree to be successful!

FIND OUT MORE [HERE](#)



NOT GOING TO UNI

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](#)**



**Check out our blogs!**







**WHAT  
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# University? We can help.

Find courses, read honest reviews, get expert advice.

**SEARCH**



[Open day top tips: what to do  
\(and what not to do\)](#)

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What are you most interested in?

|                       |                    |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| SINGING               | SONGWRITING        |
| MUSIC PRODUCTION      | THE MUSIC BUSINESS |
| PLAYING AN INSTRUMENT | OTHER              |



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# Find an apprenticeship

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## Find an apprenticeship

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Search and book onto an event to meet us



# National Careers Service

APPRENTICESHIPS

Helping you take  
the next step

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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.

# Browse apprenticeships before you apply



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

Select an interest

Enter your postcode

SEARCH

**BECOME AN APPRENTICE  
CREATE AN ACCOUNT HERE**

**'Find an apprenticeship' 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

1

## Plan your day

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

2

## Make notes

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

3

## 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.

4

## 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.

5

## 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](http://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](http://opendays.com) and tell your friends about the service.





# Learn Live

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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  
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# 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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