



Bradfield School Careers Newsletter

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Welcome to the latest edition of the Bradfield Careers Newsletter. This will be produced regularly and will include lots of exciting information relating to local and National opportunities as well as general careers information for all year groups, parents, carers and staff which we hope you will enjoy!

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We would love to hear what you think about the latest edition of the Careers Newsletter. Please scan the QR code to access the form. Thank you.





A 'General Election' is looming in the UK (in case you hadn't noticed!) and will take place on 4th July 2024. As the hype continues to grow we thought it would be appropriate to have a look at different roles within the area of Politics.

Politics shapes our daily lives. It concerns our choice about society and the way we are governed. For example politics deals with big issues such as climate change, equality and human rights.

When studying politics you will develop knowledge and understanding of the role politics plays in relation to current local, national, and global issues, as well as studying key thinkers and political ideas.

Politics involves exploring your own views, analysing data and information and constructing arguments.

Politics students are usually good verbal and written communicators.

They are in demand going into a variety of fields including; working for the government (civil service), law business, advertising, media and education.

A career in Politics is not just about being an MP or Prime Minister, there are a wide range of related Careers that you may find interesting:

[Advertising Account executive](#) [Barrister](#) [Border Force officer](#) [Broadcast journalist](#)
[Business development manager](#) [Business project manager](#) [Civil Service administrative officer](#) [Civil Service executive officer](#) [Diplomatic Service officer](#) [Equalities officer](#) [Human resources manager](#) [Local government officer](#) [Market researcher](#) [Marketing executive](#) [MP](#) [Newspaper or magazine journalist](#) [Public relations director](#) [Public relations officer](#) [Stockbroker](#)



[About Me | Rishi Sunak](#) I grew up watching my parents serve our local community with dedication. My dad was an NHS family GP and my mum ran her own local chemist shop. I wanted to make that same positive difference to people as their Member of Parliament and I was first elected to represent this wonderful constituency in 2015 and re-elected in 2017 and 2019. I live in Kirby Sigston, just outside Northallerton.

I have been fortunate to enjoy a successful business career. I co-founded a large investment firm, working with companies from Silicon Valley to Bangalore. Then I used that experience to help small and entrepreneurial British companies grow successfully. From working in my mum's tiny chemist shop to my experience building large businesses, I have seen first-hand how politicians should support free enterprise and innovation to ensure our future prosperity.

My parents sacrificed a great deal so I could attend good schools. I was lucky to study at Winchester College, Oxford University and Stanford University. That experience changed my life and as a result I am passionate about ensuring everybody has access to a great education. I have been a school governor, a board member of a large youth club, and have always volunteered my time to education programmes that spread opportunity.

I have been lucky to live, study and work internationally. I met my wife, Akshata, in California where we lived for a number of years before returning home. We have two daughters, Krishna and Anoushka, who keep us busy and entertained. In my spare time I enjoy keeping fit, cricket, football and movies.

In July 2019 I was appointed Chief Secretary to the Treasury, having entered Government service as the Minister for Local Government in January 2018. In February 2020 I had the honour to be appointed Chancellor of the Exchequer, a position I held until July 2022. On October 25 2022 I was honoured and privileged to be appointed UK Prime Minister.

Click on the links below for more information about the general election or to re-search careers in the world of politics. Who would you vote for?



[General Election 2024: A guide for young people | The Children's Society \(childrensociety.org.uk\)](#) [How to become a politician: Jason's story - BBC Bitesize](#) [Politician - How to become | Job Information \(gov.wales\)](#) [MPs: How to work in politics - BBC Bitesize](#) [Careerpilot : Jobs by subject](#) [What does the prime minister actually do? - BBC News](#) [Working at the House of Commons - UK Parliament](#) [Working for an MP - UK Parliament](#)



This month....the spotlight is on Sheffield Progress



What is Sheffield Progress?



Online prospectus and application system used by all Y11's in the Sheffield area to **apply** for sixth forms, colleges and training providers.



Can be used to **research** post 16 providers and courses without the need to be logged into your account



Once logged into your account you can **research, favourite, make and edit** applications to your choice of providers and courses.

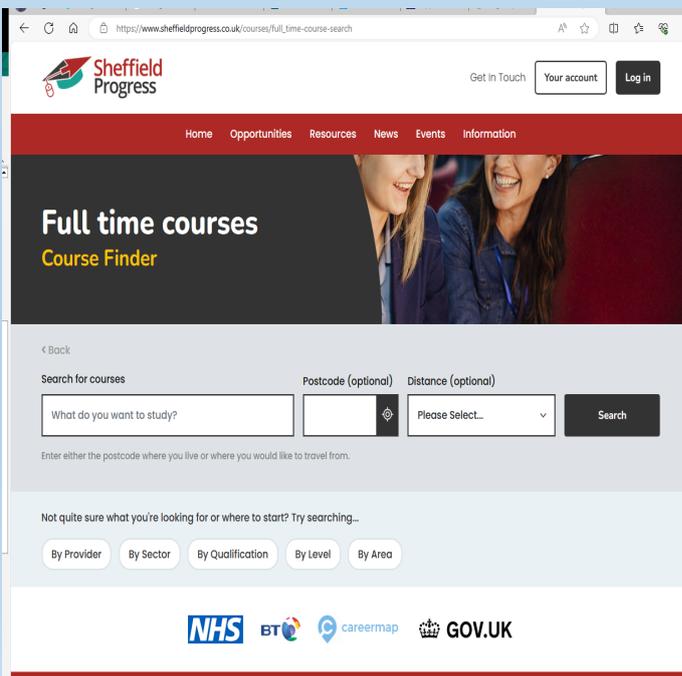


When you have completed your applications, you can use Sheffield Progress to **track** your applications and **manage** course offers.

? Did you know that Sheffield Progress is not just for Y11's? The site can be used by anyone wanting to research the types of courses available after Year 11 as part of your career planning in any year. You do not require a 'login' to search for courses. Only Y11's will receive a personal 'login' for the site. Visit: www.sheffieldprogress.co.uk to enter.



By clicking on the tabs at the top of the home page you can find out information about courses, providers in our area, qualifications, (including types and levels) and much more. You can use the search facility to look up course interest areas or search the list of providers to see what types of courses and qualifications they offer.



Head to www.sheffieldprogress.co.uk to have a look around. You may find some new ideas to look into! There are so many courses to study after Y11, but it is important to start early so that you can work towards the grades needed and research your ideas in more detail to help you make important decisions when you finally reach Y11. Students in Y11 are currently using this platform to research, make and manage their post 16 applications.



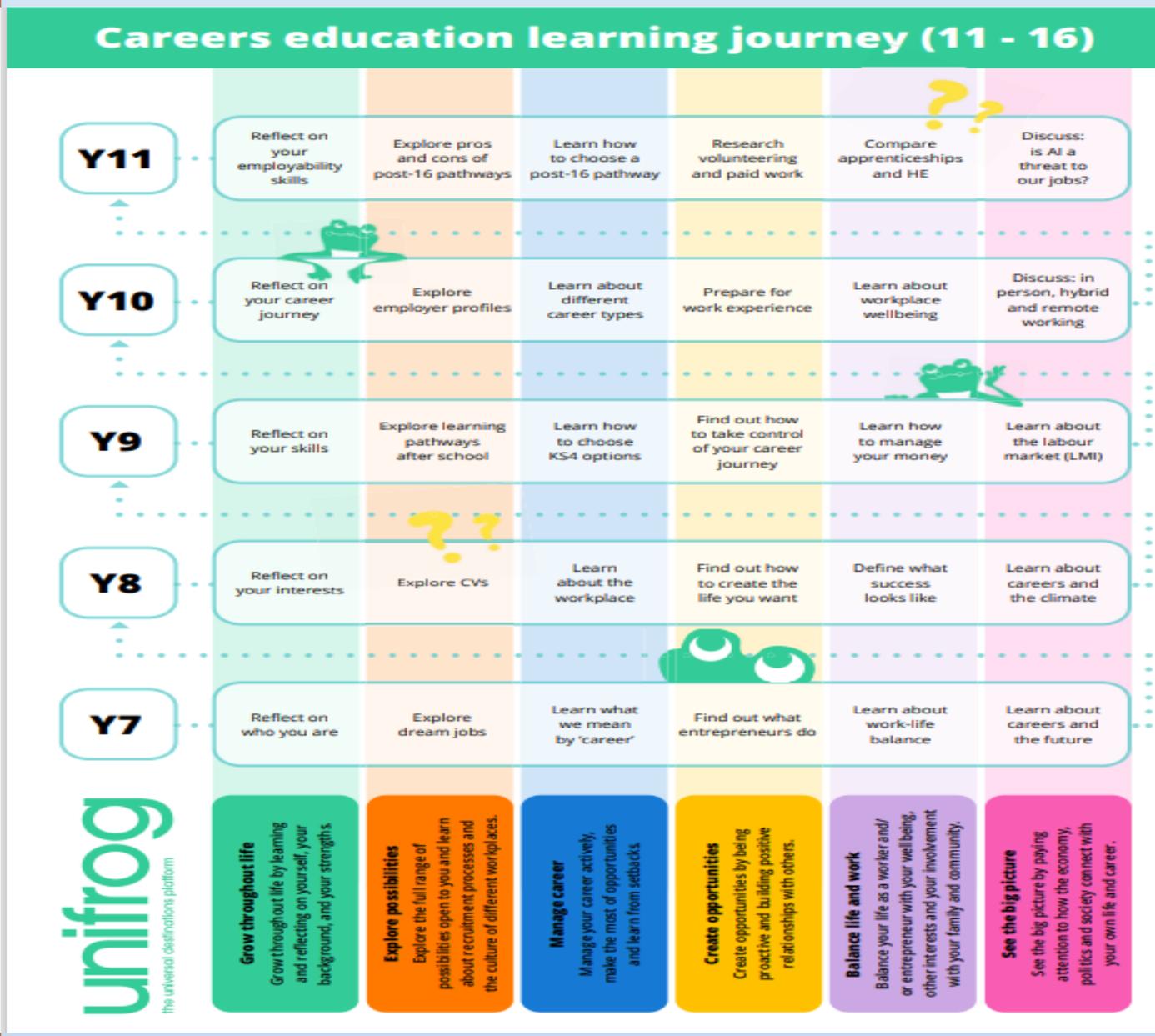
We are really excited to now be able to offer a new careers platform for all of our students at Bradfield School.

Unifrog will help students to explore key interests and subjects and help them to research career pathways and prepare for the next stage of their education, training or employment. Students can create CV's and personal statements, research ideas and undertake inspirational activities as well as storing and recording key activities and achievements all in one place.

We use this platform in addition to Sheffield Progress which is the online prospectus used to research post 16 provision in the Sheffield area and to make course applications for Y11 students. Our Y10 students are using Unifrog to apply for their work experience placements.

Students are being introduced to Unifrog during Personal Development lessons, supported by tutors, Heads of Year and careers staff. Students can log into their accounts at: [Sign In - Unifrog](#) For more information regarding Unifrog, please visit: [Unifrog - The universal destinations platform.](#)

Exploring pathways	Recording what you've done	Searching for opportunities	Drafting application materials	Making applications
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Careers library Subject library Know-how library MOOC Personality profile Interests profile 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities Competencies Interactions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UK universities US universities European universities Oxbridge Apprenticeships College / Sixth Form Canadian universities Asian universities Australasian unis Special opportunities Middle Eastern unis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UK Personal Statement Classes CV / Resumé Common App Essay US recommenders Notes for Ref Writers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post 16/18 Intentions Locker Applications list





During the summer holidays, why not start a careers research project to help you think about your skills, interests and attributes and how they link to different careers and professions. Unifrog has a selection of fun quizzes that you can use:

[Sign In - Unifrog](#) or by visiting: www.unifrog.org

Interests quiz
How much do you enjoy the activities described below?
It doesn't matter if you've never done them before, you think you're not the best at them, or that they wouldn't lead to a good career: the only thing that matters is how much you enjoy them!

Working outdoors

DISLIKE LIKE

Unifrog personality quiz

F Fast and easy
There are 56 questions, and you'll be done in less than 12 minutes.

B Be yourself
Answer honestly, and try to use the neutral option as little as possible.

E Explore careers
Explore careers commonly associated with your personality type(s).

I am organised

DISAGREE AGREE

Work environments quiz
How would you feel about the situations below?
Tell us how happy you'd be in the activities and situations below: it doesn't matter if you've never done or experienced them before: the only thing that matters is how you feel about them.

Public speaking

HATE IT FINE!

Skills quiz
How capable do you think you are regarding the situations below?
It doesn't matter if you enjoy them or not, just think about how easy you find them. Take your time going through the quiz, as once you've done a question you can't go back to change your answer.

I can come up with ideas to improve something that already exists

HARD EASY!

You can also research your career interests by ideas: [Careers - Student - Unifrog](#) or by subject interest: [Subjects - Student - Unifrog](#)

MOOC
Make your first shortlist

[Start >](#)

There are also 'MOOC' online learning courses that you can have a go at with lots of interest areas to choose from such as AI, Architecture, Art, Cybersecurity, Economics, Geometry, Music, Psychology, Sociology, Tourism, etc. Have a look through the huge range by clicking the MOOC tab: [Start - Moocs - Student - Unifrog](#)



Spend some time exploring Unifrog, you might be very surprised!

If you are having any difficulties accessing Unifrog, please see your form tutor or your Careers Adviser



Spotlight on: Careers linked to History subjects



History gives you an understanding of past events, ranging from ancient times to modern day.

Whilst studying history you learn the skills to be able to take in large amounts of written or visual information and analyse how and why things happened, whilst developing excellent written communication skills.

Regarded as a 'facilitating subject' by many universities, history is often studied alongside sociology, psychology, business, English and economics.

History can lead on to a large range of careers from law, politics and business through to creative media, journalism, broadcasting and tourism management.

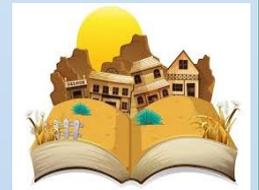


Here are some examples of careers that have a strong link with History:

[Antique dealer](#) [Archaeologist](#) [Archivist](#) [Art gallery curator](#) [Broadcast journalist](#) [Civil Service administrative officer](#) [Conservator](#) [Editorial assistant](#) [Heritage officer](#) [Land and property valuer and auctioneer](#) [Librarian](#) [Museum curator](#) [Patent attorney](#) [Proofreader](#) [Public relations officer](#) [Secondary school teacher](#) [Solicitor](#) [Sub-editor](#) [Tourist guide](#) [Web content manager](#) [Writer](#) (Source—Career Pilot)

Famous people with history degrees

What's more, there are plenty of people who have taken their history degree in a different direction. Consider the following famous people:



Sacha Baron Cohen – the actor and comedian studied at the University of Cambridge.



Prince Charles – was the first British heir to the throne to complete a university degree; he read history, archaeology and anthropology at the University of Cambridge.



Jonathan Ross – studied modern European history before pursuing a career as a TV presenter, actor and comedian.



Al Murray – the comedian and TV personality read modern history at the University of Oxford. (Source—Targetjobs.co.uk)





Volunteering, Work Experience and Online Learning Opportunities.....

We know that work experience, voluntary work and additional study courses can all help to increase your skills and knowledge but did you know that they also give you incredible experience that you can add to your CV or personal statements which will really help you to stand out from the crowd when applying for employment or learning opportunities. We have put together some free opportunities to get you started which you can do in school or from home. Have fun and learn something new!



Apply for free virtual work experience programmes and online courses —Featured this edition are:

[CyberFirst Defenders](#) | [Smallpeice Trust](#) Places are closed at the moment but new dates will appear. Why not check out some weekly STEM challenges at home together that you can make out of simple things you will have around the house [Engineering At Home](#) | [Smallpeice Trust](#)

[Free Virtual Work Experience](#) | [Springpod](#)—Register for an account to access a wide range of work experience from major employers.

[Explore Work Experience - Youth Employment UK](#) A selection of great videos to help you understand work experience with a digital workbook

[Services and Products - Future First](#) Virtual work experience activities in the Commercial, Third and Health Sectors.

[Virtual Work Experience tool](#) | [Barclays LifeSkills](#) Get to see the inner workings of a digital transformation agency and work with different departments—Estimated time 20-40 mins.



[Halliday Fraser Munro - Work Experience Zone \(hfm.co.uk\)](#) For learners interested in Architecture and Design—Chose from a selection of tasks.

Free online courses:

[FutureLearn](#) | [Online learning](#) | [The University of Sheffield](#)—Free taster/sample sessions with completion certificates for all.

[Free courses - OpenLearn - Open University](#) Wide range of free to study courses. Create a free account to record your achievements.

[Free Online Courses \(alison.com\)](#) Access thousands of free online courses from Art to Zoology! Create an account to record your progress and save your work.

[Mind's free online course to help you support others - Mind](#) Free course to support the wellbeing of others



Volunteer Centre
Sheffield

Volunteering is a great way to gain skills and experience, help others, meet new people and have fun!

Volunteer Centre Sheffield is part of Voluntary Action Sheffield and is a charity that supports the voluntary and community sector in Sheffield to be vibrant, effective and influential. Volunteer Centre Sheffield produces a regular bulletin of local volunteering opportunities for young people aged 13 and over in the Sheffield area. There is an incredible range to choose from and you can add yourself to their mailing list to receive regular updates if you are interested.

You can find out more by visiting [I'm a young person - Volunteer Centre Sheffield \(sheffieldvolunteercentre.org.uk\)](#)

You can access the most recent vacancy bulletin for young people here [June 2024 13-17 Bulletin.pdf \(sheffieldvolunteercentre.org.uk\)](#) For Parents/Carers visit: [June 2024 Bulletin Final.pdf \(sheffieldvolunteercentre.org.uk\)](#) Have a look, you might find something inspiring and incredible.





Useful information and opportunities for ALL year groups:



[Mental Health Support For Young People | YoungMinds](#)



[Children and Young People's Empowerment Project - Chilypep](#)



[Sheffield Youth Cabinet and UK Youth Parliament | Sheffield City Council](#)



South Yorkshire FIRE & RESCUE [Fire Cadets scheme - South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue \(syfire.gov.uk\)](#)



ARMY CADETS
ARMYCADETS.COM

[Humberside And South Yorkshire Army Cadets | Army Cadets UK](#)
[Army Cadet Magazine - April 2023 by Salt Media - Issuu](#)



[Find your local squadron | Royal Air Force Air Cadets \(mod.uk\)](#)



[Home - Sea Cadets Sheffield \(sea-cadets.org\)](#)

Year 11



Massive well done to all of our Year 11 students who are just finishing their final exams. They have certainly earned a long restful summer break! We look forward to seeing them all on GCSE Day which is **Thursday 22nd August 2024**. If you need any advice about post 16 options and/or enrolment processes, please contact Sarah Dempsey—Careers Adviser . Sarah will also be in school on GCSE Day to offer any support if needed. We hope that you enjoy your leavers prom.

Good Luck to every single one of our students, we are very proud of you.

Year 10



Our Year 10 students and their families have been working very hard contacting local employers to secure work experience placements for w/c 8-12 July 2024. We will be offering work experience activities and virtual work experience in school throughout that week for those who have been unable to source a placement. If any of our parents, colleagues or friends know of any employers who would be willing to host one of our students for that week, please do get in touch, we would love to hear from you. We are very excited to see how they all get on!



General Information for Parents & Carers



Welcome to series 3 of the popular 'The Parent Perspective' podcasts. Join BBC Radio 5Live's Rachel Burden who is the new host for this incredible and informative series aimed at parents and carers who want to be informed and confident in supporting their child to navigate and make decisions about their future and career plans. [The Parent Perspective Podcast - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)



[Careers Advice for Parents - Youth Employment UK](#) Helpful information to help parents navigate options and choices with their children.



Online Parent/Carer Guides

For parents/carers of Years 10 & 11 [Careerpilot : Parent zone : All questions : What are the choices for my child at 16? Post-16 Options | UCAS](#)

For parents/carers of Years 8 & 9 [Careerpilot : Get information : Your choices at 14 : Choosing GCSEs: compulsory and optional GCSE choices: Practical ways to guide students | Undergraduate | UCAS](#)

FREE Parents Careers Guides available from the 'success at school' team



For more details and to sign up, click here: [New 2022/23 FREE parents careers guides - register today \(mailchi.mp\)](#)



[All Years Articles | The Parents' Guide to \(theparentsguideto.co.uk\) SEND LocalOffer | Sheffield \(sheffielddirectory.org.uk\) Young Carers Young carers | Barnardo's \(barnardos.org.uk\) Young carers | Childline](#)

[Careermag - Parents - Careermap](#) - Don't forget to sign up for your free subscription of this fantastic guide. Visit [Live Careermags - Careermap](#)



Many parents get in touch with us asking for advice on how to respond to their child when they ask this question. What may seem like a daunting question to many parents, doesn't actually have to be. Careermag for Parents connects parents, guardians and carers with up to date labour market information. We explain the various qualification routes available and bust myths and misconceptions along the way. Grab a cuppa and sit down with your child, there are lots of opportunities to explore. Guides also available for school leavers, graduates and for lifelong learning.

Adult Education/Volunteer Opportunities:

Become a reading volunteer (ESCAL) - Just one hour of reading can greatly impact children who struggle with reading. Join us as a reading volunteer and contribute to your community—[Become a reading volunteer \(ESCAL\) | Sheffield City Council](#)

Sheffield's Working Jobs Fair—Sheffield's Working Jobs Fairs are co-organised by Opportunity Sheffield (Employment and Skills Service in Sheffield City Council) and Jobcentre Plus. Whether you are unemployed and looking for work or are employed and looking to progress your career, come along to:

- Meet a range of local employers
- Talk to Opportunity Sheffield about training
- Gain employment and skills information, advice and guidance (IAG)

Thursday 27 June, 10am - 12pm—Shirecliffe Community Centre 349 Shirecliffe Road, Sheffield, S5 8XJ

Careers Research

Careers research is a great way to generate ideas about what you might like to do when you have completed your studies. It will also help you to investigate different kinds of career areas and jobs and help to inspire you for the future. It can help you to think about the things you enjoy and the skills and qualities that you have. Why not start a research project of your own and be as creative as you can? These sites are a great starting point and can be used for all ages.

 [Start – Careers Information for South Yorkshire \(startprofile.com\)](http://startprofile.com)

 [Careerpilot : Plan your future work & study](#)

 [Career sectors and professions for school leavers | TARGETcareers](#)

 [Explore careers | National Careers Service](#)

 [home - icould](#)



Sheffield Progress is an online prospectus and application system for young people in Y11 to apply to school sixth forms, colleges and training providers as part of their Post 16 Options process.

Students in all year groups can access Sheffield Progress without needing an account to research the range of learning opportunities associated with their own interest areas. For example, you could research courses such as A Level subjects at Tapton School Sixth Form, Art & Design at Sheffield College, Engineering at UTC, Construction at Nacro, Sport at Sheffield Wednesday, Beauty at White Rose, etc There are so many providers and courses to look at which should give you helpful information and inspiration for the future.

Please visit: [Home \(sheffieldprogress.co.uk\)](http://sheffieldprogress.co.uk) to start your research.

 If you are considering the possibility of Higher Education in the future as a potential Post 18 choice, you may find it helpful to explore UCAS which is the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service website. You can find out all about Higher Education opportunities which includes apprenticeships and colleges as well as universities.

Visit: [UCAS | At the heart of connecting people to higher education](#) to find out more or try the UCAS Careers Quiz at: [Careers Quiz | UCAS](#)

 Would you like to find out more about your personality and discover possible career pathways for you? Try the Complete-Careers Quiz by visiting: www.careersquiz.complete-careers.com



We hope you have enjoyed reading our newsletter. If you have any careers related news you would like us to include or have a topic you would like us to cover, we would love to hear from you.

Please email careers@bradfield.sheffield.sch.uk or pop and see Sarah Dempsey our Careers Adviser who can be found in the careers office at the back of the library or contact Mrs Carter—Careers Lead

Summer break activities to keep you busy.....

If you are stuck for some ideas to keep you busy this summer holiday, we have picked out a few **free or low priced** activities for you to join in with. Lots of things to inspire you locally, who knows you might find a new interest or hobby! What ever you do stay safe and have a wonderful time!



Imagine a café where you get to play with LEGO® while you enjoy a drink and a bite to eat...that's Builder's Brew Café!

They have hundreds of sets for you to choose from and thousands of bricks if you want to ditch the instructions and build your own LEGO masterpiece! This is not just for children, it is for all ages!

Perfect for a family outing of Lego fans, Builder's Brew is based in Sheffield City Centre, right next door to Sheffield Cathedral. Booking advisable: [Book a table here](#). [Builder's Brew Cafe \(buildersbrewcafe.com\)](#) (Admission charges apply—£3 PP per hour)

Sheffield City Farms—As 'The Outdoor City' it's no surprise that Sheffield has some fantastic city farms. With a great variety of farms in and on the edge of the city, there should be at least one close by where you can meet a host of furry friends. [The Outdoor City \(welcometosheffield.co.uk\)](#) So if you're looking for a great family outing or you're just an absolute animal lover, here are some of the best for you to enjoy: (admission charges may apply—check websites for details)



Heeley City Farm—[Home](#) | [Heeley City Farm](#) | [England \(heeleyfarm.org.uk\)](#)



Our Cow Molly—[Our Cow Molly – Farm Shop & Ice Cream Parlour](#)



Mayfield Alpacas—[Mayfield Alpacas Animal Park](#) | [Sheffield](#) | [Facebook](#)



Graves Park Animal Farm—[Graves Park Animal Farm](#) | [Sheffield](#) | [Facebook](#)



Whirlow Hall Farm—[Whirlow Hall Farm Trust - Whirlow Hall Farm](#)



Holly Hagg Community Farm—[Holly Hagg Alpaca Trekking and Community Farm](#)



Sheffield's museums are free and here for everyone. Discover the stories of the city and its people, see the very best in art and design and set your imagination soaring.



[Millennium Gallery - Sheffield Museums Trust](#)

[Kelham Island Museum - Sheffield Museums Trust](#)

[Weston Park Museum - Sheffield Museums Trust](#)

[Abbeydale Industrial Hamlet - Sheffield Museums Trust](#)

[Graves Gallery - Sheffield Museums Trust](#)

[Shepherd Wheel Workshop - Sheffield Museums Trust](#)



Botanical Gardens—[Sheffield Botanical Gardens](#) | [Sheffield City Council](#)



Rivelin Valley—[10 reasons you'll love the Rivelin Valley Nature Trail](#) | [Sheffield - Yorkshire Tots to Teens](#)



National Emergency Services Museum—[Things To Do](#) | [National Emergency Services Museum | England \(visitnesm.org.uk\)](#) (Admission charges apply)



National Videogame Museum—[Made in Sheffield - National Videogame Museum](#)[National Videogame Museum - \(thenvm.org\)](#) Sheffield's much more than steel! As a technically advanced and incredibly creative city it's had a long love affair with videogame development. We didn't move here by accident you know! From Gremlin Graphics, to Sumo Digital, this city has produced a plethora of games, and continues to provide plenty of opportunity for aspiring developers. (Admission charges apply)



Whatever time of year it is, remember:



- Take care at the water's edge, it may be slippery and river banks could give way
- The water may be deeper or shallower than you think
- Rivers, lakes and weirs contain strong under currents that cannot be seen
- Always read and follow safety warnings
- Swim somewhere safe like a public swimming pool
- Never swim after drinking alcohol
- Never go near water on your own, if you do get into difficulties your friend will be able to get help

If someone is in difficulty in the water:

- Stay calm, shout for help and dial 999 and ask for the fire service
- Give your location or local landmarks if possible
- Never enter the water yourself



www.syfire.gov.uk

What ever you do to keep cool and have fun this summer, please stay safe and alert!



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10 DROWNING FACTS

307 UK and Irish citizens lose their lives to accidental drowning each year, on average.*

49% of accidental drownings occur between May and August.

83% of those that accidentally drown in the UK are male.

19 people drowned across 4 days in July 2022 as temperatures exceeded 38°C.

59% of UK accidental drownings occur in inland waters, e.g. rivers, lakes and canals.

Alcohol and or drugs are a factor in 29% of all UK accidental drownings.

In our analysis, **73% of drownings occurred in the absence of professional supervision**, such as an RLSS UK qualified lifeguard.~

The number of **child drowning deaths in England has doubled** in the last 4 years.^ ^

In our analysis of outdoor drownings in the UK, **cold water shock** was cited in **38% of cases**.^

44% of those that lost their lives to accidental drowning in the UK never intended to be in the water.

Drowning is preventable.

We provide expert lifesaving education in the UK and Ireland, protecting families from the sudden and devastating impact of drowning.

Notes: Unless otherwise stated, data taken from WAID (2018-2022). * Source: UK drowning data taken from WAID (2019-2023). Irish data taken from Water Safety Ireland (2019-2023). These numbers do not include UK or Irish nationals drowning overseas. ~ RLSS UK analysis of supervision based on n=240 cases of accidental drowning in the UK. ^RLSS UK analysis on cold-water shock based on n=133 cases of accidental drowning in outdoor water in the UK.^^ Source: National Child Mortality Database (NCMD) 2019-20 to 2022-23.