



# 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.



# Careers Spotlight: Food & Drink.....RY2

No matter where your interests lie, there are careers across agriculture, production, product development, logistics, sales, marketing, finance and more, and they all require different skill levels. And for as long as the growing population needs to eat and drink, there will always be a global demand and we'll need to keep improving our technology. That means more engineers, scientists and mathematicians too.



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- Opportunities for all levels of qualifications
  - Rewarding careers with rapid career progression
  - High average pay compared to other industries
  - Working in a fast paced environment which is constantly growing to keep up with consumer demands
- The food and drink industry is made up of a broad range of careers, which all require different skills and interests. It looks set to grow quickly as global demand for our products increases.



To meet future challenges of food security and climate change, we'll be using more innovative and automated technologies, which will drive demand for engineers, scientists and mathematicians – we'll need highly skilled individuals to help us overcome these challenges. Source: [Why choose a career in food and drink?](#) Tasty Careers



**Career ideas:** If you enjoy cooking or food technology you may want to explore career opportunities in food and drink.

You could be working in a restaurant as a chef designing and cooking meals or as a waiter serving customers.

If you fancy working with drinks you could train to be a top barista in a coffee shop or train to be a brewer creating your own beer. Visit [Careerpilot : Job sectors : Food & drink : Job profiles](#) to view a huge range of careers relating to food & drink

*Did you know...working within the food Industry is so much more than just cooking or becoming a Chef! Here are some of the areas you could explore within this industry:*

There are also many jobs in food manufacture, distribution and supermarkets – think of all the biscuits, cakes and cereals we like to eat. Food stylists are employed to make food in magazines look good. If you want to encourage people to eat healthily you could train as a dietitian or nutritionist

Research, Retail, Sales, Supply Chain & Logistics, Technical & Quality, Agriculture, Aquaculture, Bakery, Butchery, Buying, Dairy, Engineering, Finance, HR, Health, Safety & Quality, IT, Marketing, New Product Development, PR, Packaging and Production Operations. For more information about each of these areas, please visit: [Job Descriptions](#)

Tasty Careers [20190314\\_16-32-26.pdf](#)



## Study Options....

**GCSE**—The Food Preparation and Nutrition GCSE combines the principles of food science, nutrition and healthy eating. It helps you develop cooking techniques, as well as knowledge of food traditions and kitchen safety. The course gives you a range of skills, like planning and organising, working independently, understanding and applying science and even creative skills.

It can lead to a wide range of careers. For example you could be designing new ice cream flavours, or working in a hotel, restaurant or tourist attraction. You could also be working in distribution or retail for a supermarket or advising people about healthy eating as a nutritionist. Food tech combines well with biology, chemistry and business studies. Source: [Careerpilot : Jobs by subject](#)

**Apprenticeships**—Apprenticeships in the food industry offer a variety of pathways for individuals to gain practical skills and industry-recognised qualifications while earning a salary. These apprenticeships cover diverse areas like food production, food science, and technical management, and can lead to roles such as food technician, baker, or food technologist. Source: [Food and Drink Apprenticeships England](#)

**Post 16 & 18 courses**—You can study Food Science and Nutrition through some Sixth Forms at A-Level/T-Level (Level 3) There are a wide range of Higher Education (Level 4 and above) qualifications you can study through University, College and through Higher & Degree Apprenticeships. Source: [Training Courses](#) [Courses Available - Full time courses](#) [Search](#) | [All results](#) | ["food"](#) | [UCAS](#)



# In the news...

## Sheffield College–Peaks Campus reaches second phase of Post-16 SEND Hub

The Sheffield College’s Peaks Campus has now reached the second phase of its Post-16 SEND Hub which focuses on employment, independence and participation.

The £500,000 funding from Sheffield City Council, in conjunction with investment from the college, will further increase accessibility to the campus.

It will also provide new and exciting learning opportunities with a focus on independence, participation and skills to succeed in the workplace.

This renovation will help ensure an additional 200 high needs post-16 places can be provided - in addition to the 100 already in place - with an extra 100 places in September 2025 and another 100 places in September 2026.

The new facilities will include an independent living flat to help young people’s life skills, a second independent living kitchen, a fully functional inclusive conference centre, which will be managed by the college’s students, and updated therapy space following feedback by NHS partners.

The **Bloom** curriculum prepares students for adulthood, independence, employment and community participation. Students are supported with developing their communication, employability, independent living, and maths and English skills. For full article visit: [News | Peaks Campus reaches second phase of Post-16 SEND Hub || The Sheffield](#)



**Shout** is a new, free and confidential text messaging support service that’s there to help anyone in the UK who is struggling with how they feel. **The service is accessible by texting "EYUP" to the given phone number, an idea by Sheffield-based children and young people charity Chilypep.**

If you’re sad, worried or lonely, **text the word ‘EYUP’ to 85258** to start a free, confidential text conversation with a qualified mental health professional. **By texting “EYUP” rather than “SHOUT” the person responding will know you are from the South Yorkshire area:**

- Once you send the text, you’ll get four automated messages. You’ll be connected with a mental health professional as soon as one is free.
- They will send you a message to introduce themselves and ask how you’re feeling. You will then message each other back and forth, silently and privately. You can tell them about anything that might be upsetting you and only need to share what you want.
- The mental health professional will listen to how you’re feeling, talk to you about it and help you make a plan for after the chat ends, once you feel calmer and safer. Conversations with Shout usually last between 45 minutes and one hour.
- Your conversation will be saved in your messages if you ever need to look back and Shout is here 24/7 if you ever want to text again  
Shout will always try to respond to texters as quickly as possible, however response times may be longer at times of high demand.

### Key Information

- 🕒 Opening times:  
Text **EYUP** to 85258 for support 24/7
- 📶 Remote
- 👤 Adults (over 18)  
Children and Younger People (under 18)

High risk texters will always be responded to as a priority. If your life is at imminent risk, please call 999 for immediate help. This service is provided by Shout in partnership with NHS South Yorkshire ICB. Shout can help with issues including:

Anxiety, Bullying, Depression, Loneliness, Panic attacks, Relationship changes and challenges, Self-harm, Stress, Suicidal thoughts If you are Deaf and want to text someone

who has had training in working with Deaf People. Then you just need to text DEAF to 85258. Source: [South Yorkshire mental health text support scheme launched - BBC News](#) [SHOUT | Sheffield Mental Health Guide](#)



### How it works

Sector Safari is a completely free event running from June to August 2025. It is an interactive trail around the city that lets young people and their families explore potential future careers, all while discovering the diverse local businesses in their city.

At each business or venue on the trail, there will be a poster with a QR code. Scanning this code with your phone will give you more information about the company, the kind of jobs they offer and some fun facts about the area. The map also contains puzzles to complete as you make your way through the city. The trail takes around 2 to 3 hours to complete in full. You don't have to do the whole trail, but to solve the word code in the booklet, you will need to visit all the locations.

### Who it's for

The trail is designed for families with young children and school groups, including primary, secondary and SEND students. It is also ideal for students who couldn't secure their own work experience placements, as the dates of the trail align with some schools' work experience weeks.

### How to take part

To begin the trail, head to one of the businesses below and collect a map to guide you around the trail. Once you've completed the trail, you can head back to any of the same locations to collect your completer badge. You do not need to book.

### You can collect the trail map and completer badges from:

#### Cathedral (gift shop), Church Street, S1 1HA

- Mon to Fri: 8:30am to 5:30pm
- Sat: 9am to 4pm
- Sun: 11am to 3pm

#### Millennium Gallery (Information Desk), 48 Arundel Gate, S1 2PP

- Tue to Sat: 10am to 5pm
- Sun: 11am to 4pm
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#### Central Library, Surrey Street, S1 1XZ

- Mon to Fri: 10am to 5pm
- Sat: 10am to 4pm

#### Moor Markets (Information Desk), The Moor, S1 4PF

- Mon to Sat: 8:30am to 5:30pm

It is recommended that someone in your group has a mobile device connected to the internet to scan the QR codes at each business. If you don't have access to a mobile phone, there will be a printable version available



### The businesses included in the Sector Safari trail are:

- Arundel Gate Travel Centre
- Cambridge Street Collective
- Curzon
- CMS
- Cutlers' Hall
- Department for Education
- Game Show All Stars
- Henry Boot
- HLM Architects
- Juno Books
- Le Croissant
- Learning Curve Hair and Beauty
- Miss Crystal
- Museum Public House
- Millennium Gallery
- Nottingham Building Society
- Old Shoe Public House
- Radisson Blu
- Roundabout
- Scrivens Opticians
- Sheffield Cathedral
- Sheffield Fire Station
- Sheffield Futures
- Sheffield Plate
- Sheffield Theatres
- Sheffield Town Hall
- Sheffield Social Enterprise Network
- The Moor Market
- The Sapiens Project
- Transport
- Utilita Energy Hub
- Virgin Money
- Winter Gardens

[You can see each business page here.](#)



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## 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



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

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

[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.

#### Free online courses for all:

[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

[Sign In - Unifrog](#) Don't forget you have access to a wide range of MOOC's and virtual work experience via your school Unifrog account!

[Virtual Work Experience for Law Students | The Lawyer Portal](#) Virtual Law Work Experience opportunities



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 14 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 2025 under 18s Bulletin.pdf](#) For Parents/Carers visit: [«Rename»](#)





Info for our KS4 students relating to open events, Sheffield Progress and application processes.

### Year 11 Update.....



We have said a sad farewell to our amazing Year 11's this June. They are all looking forward to a restful summer following all of the hard work they have put into their final GCSE exams! Well done to each and every one of you, we are very proud! Y11 enjoyed their prom which was held on 4th July—We look forward to seeing the pictures! We look forward to welcoming you all back on GCSE results which will be available on the morning of Thursday 21st August 2025 in school. Sarah Dempsey—Careers Adviser will be on hand on the day to support with any careers/post 16 related queries.

### Year 10 Update....

Year 10 have been very busy planning their work experience which took place w/c 7th—11th July 2025. We are all very excited to find out how they all get on and look forward to hearing all about their experiences. We have also started planning our post 16 'personal statements' which will form part of the Sheffield Progress application process which we will be starting in September visit: [www.sheffieldprogress.co.uk](http://www.sheffieldprogress.co.uk)

Careers Room update—The careers office has moved!! We are so excited about the new careers office which is now located on the CO corridor. Please pop in and say 'Hi' to Ms Dempsey!

### Useful support information and opportunities for ALL year groups:



[Who we are — Sheffield Young Carers | Dedicated to helping young carers across Sheffield](#)



[Youth Clubs - Always An Alternative](#) [Home - Always An Alternative](#)



[SAYIT \(Sheena Amos Youth Trust\) | LGBTQ+ Youth Charity | Sheffield, England](#)



[Wellbeing Cafe — Golddigger Trust](#)



**Period Positive**  
It's about bloody time.  
Join the movement and change the future of menstruation.

[The Period Positive Pledge – Period Positive](#)



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



[Local Groups and Support for Young People — Sheffield SENDIAS](#)



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

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



[South Yorkshire Fire Cadets scheme - South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue \(\[syfire.gov.uk\]\(http://syfire.gov.uk\)\)](#)



[Volunteer cadets | South Yorkshire Police](#) **Current application window closed—Opens in April 25**



[Humberside And South Yorkshire Army Cadets | Army Cadets UK](#) [Army Cadet Magazine](#)  
- Winter 2025 by Salt Media - Issuu



[Find your local squadron | Royal Air Force Air Cadets \(\[mod.uk\]\(http://mod.uk\)\)](#) [Interested in joining as a Cadet | Royal Air Force Air Cadets](#)



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



**Sheffield Safeguarding Hub** is the place for professionals and members of the public to report safeguarding concerns

regarding a child or young person. You can do this by calling **0114 273 4855** at any time: [Sheffield Children Safeguarding Partnership - Information for parents, carers and families](#)



# 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.

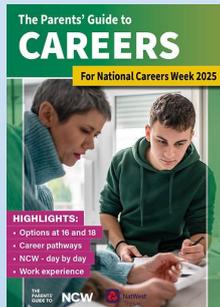


## Online Parent/Carer Guides

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](#)

[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](#)



We're thrilled to share The Parents' Guide to National Careers Week, created in partnership with National Careers Week: a free guide outlining vocational options after GCSE and sixth form.

#NCW2025 gives parents a chance to learn more about different careers paths their teens can take. Find out what's available, what will suit your teen best, and where each option could lead. [National Careers Week | The Parents' Guide](#)



[Careermag - Parents - Careermap](#) - Don't forget to sign up for your free subscription of this fantastic guide. Visit [Live Careermags - Careermap Careermap for Parents, Carers, and Guardians Issue 12 - September 2024 : Careermag for Parents & Guardians - careermag | Careermap](#)



## Sheffield Parent Hub - Events

Sheffield Parent Hub deliver a range of seminars, discussion groups and evidence based programmes.

These are tried and tested based on international research into what works for families and children! We all have busy lives and one size doesn't fit all so we have a range of options to suit every parent. [Sheffield Parent Hub | Sheffield](#)

Sheffield Children's  
NHS Foundation Trust



[Family Support Services - Sheffield Children's NHS Foundation Trust](#)

Wide range of family support services information all in one place.

What's on this summer...

# Know Your Place

**Exhibition** Free entry

5 July – 8 August 2025

Central Library Building

Surrey St, Sheffield, S1 1XZ

Schools across Sheffield have been exploring what makes our city special, how it has evolved, and what matters to them now.

Come and see their creative insights into Sheffield's heritage and its lively neighbourhoods!



Find out more at [createsheffield.co.uk](https://createsheffield.co.uk)



Underscore Choir is a brand new choir for 14-19 year olds in Sheffield! Open to all abilities, all genders, no audition or experience needed. They'll be singing tracks by artists like Rachel Chinouriri, Frank Ocean, Olivia Dean, Remi Wolf and Hozier - a focus on contemporary pop, plus additional exercises with influences in classical, jazz, and gospel to help you level up your vocal skills!

What: Underscore Choir Free taster sessions

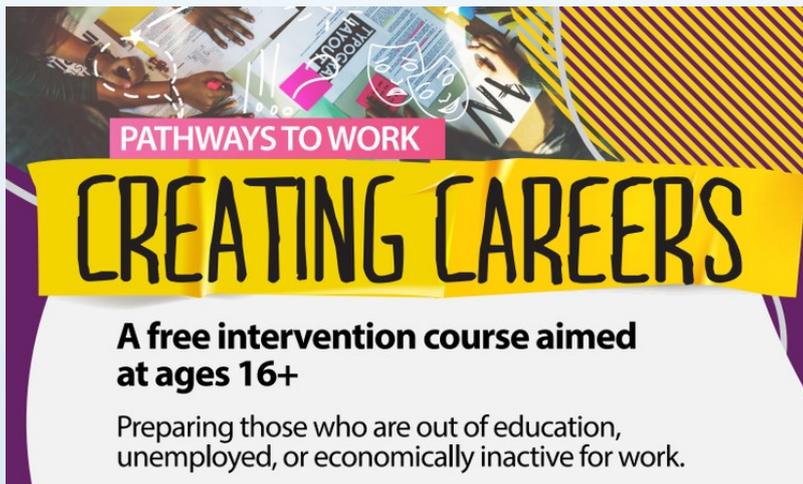
When: Monday 21st July and Monday 11th August, 5.30pm - 7pm

Where: Mary Street Live, Sheffield City Centre\_

Ages 14 - 19

More info on Instagram/Facebook [underscorechoirsheffield](https://www.instagram.com/underscorechoirsheffield)

# What's on this summer...



A Mind Apart

What: Creating Careers

When: Thursday afternoon/can be adjusted to suit the needs of the participants

Where: 57 Burton St, Hillsborough, Sheffield S6 2HH

Who: 16+ (no upper age limit)

A Mind Apart are offering a free course designed to help individuals to find work. Whether you're interested in creative careers or other industries, this course will guide you through essential steps such as:

\* CV writing

Job searching

Job applications

Interview preparation and techniques and

much more...



Meadowhall has announced the return of its hugely successful Summer Beach Club ahead of the school holidays - From Friday 18th July, Meadowhall's Orange Car Park will once again be transformed into the ultimate summer destination, featuring an even bigger sandy beach, a mix of family-friendly and thrill-seeker rides, as well as plenty of chill out zones and food stalls - making it the perfect day out for the whole family this summer.

<https://summerbeachclub.co.uk/> Ticket prices start from just £2, with free entry after 6pm every day.

Discover how developers use tools like 3D modelling, pixel art, and sound design, alongside methods like embroidery, clay modelling, and stop-motion animation to create your favourite games. Perfect for aspiring game makers, curious players, and anyone who's ever wondered what it takes to bring a game to life. **Make It! Play It!** includes early access to Platypus Reclayed, a new claymation game from South Yorkshire's Claymatic studio – available exclusively at the museum before its official release.

<https://thenvm.org/make-it-play-it/>



## 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](http://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](mailto:careers@bradfield.sheffield.sch.uk) or pop and see Sarah Dempsey our Careers Adviser who can be found in the careers office on the CO corridor or contact Mrs Carter—Careers Lead