Melksham Oak Community School

CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

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OPPORTUNITIES

Every year on 15 July, World Youth Skills Day celebrates the importance of equipping young people with the skills they need for employment, decent work and entrepreneurship.

The world of work is changing rapidly. Artificial intelligence, the green transition and growing social complexity are transforming how we learn, work and participate in society. To thrive in this changing landscape, young people need more than technical skills alone. They need a balanced set of competencies that combines technical, digital, AI, green, social-emotional and soft skills with the human qualities that technology cannot replace.

On 15th July at 9am, this webinar hosted by UNESCO-UNEVOC in Bonn, will bring together government representatives, educators, employers, youth networks, development partners and young people from around the world. The discussion will focus on a critical question: What will it take to equip every young person with the competencies they need to thrive in a shared future?

You will notice the term "TVET" used a lot on their webiste. This stands for Technical and Vocational Education and Training. It is a form of education focused on acquiring practical, hands-on skills and technical knowledge required for specific trades, occupations, or professions. In the UK, we have the following technical and vocational courses: Apprenticeships, BTecs, T Levels, V Levels. You can read more about these here.

On Monday 17 August at 7–7:45pm, The Degree Gap will host free 45-minute session for parents of GCSE students. The webinar covers what to expect on results day, how to read the 9-1 grades in context, the remarks and resit process, post-16 pathways (A-Levels, BTECs, T-Levels), and how to have a constructive conversation with your child whatever the result.

Explore the newest Springpod virtual work experience opportunites here. There is a new programme from Leonardo - the global aerospace, defence and security company. Leonardo programmes are a great option for you if you're interested in engineering, technology and defence sectors.

For further information advice and guidance, or to book a personal guidance appointment please contact careers@melkshamoak.wilts.sch.uk

JOB OF THE WEEK

Clinical Coder

A clinical coder translates medical information from patient records into standardised alphanumeric codes.

By reviewing doctors' notes and test results, they assign specific codes for diagnoses and treatments. This data is essential for hospital funding, medical research, and tracking public health.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

22% of jobs will transform by 2033 due to technological distruption.

The fastest growing skills by 2030 will include technological skills alongside human skills, such as cognitive ability and collaboration.

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This summer, Thales is hosting a series of exciting STEM workshops designed to engage, inspire, and spark curiosity about future careers in science, technology, engineering, and maths. You can read more and register here.

Find out more about The UK Intelligence Agencies, MI5, MI6 and GCHQ. Starting your career is exciting - and it's normal to have lots of questions along the way. Whether you're just exploring your options or already thinking about applying, here's a snapshot of what you might be wondering. Questions like "What's the difference between the three organisations?", and "How often do you recruit - and how do I apply?". Find out more here and check out The Early Careers Network.

UK University Search are excited to host two webinars for students who are interested in exploring their next steps. Taking place on the 29th July & 5th August, they have a two 90-minute session featuring experts from different universities. Topics are:

- The first session will focus on Life as a Student - the hosts will be speaking with current university students, plugging into their knowledge of life at university, and what you need to know if you are planning to apply.
- The second focus is Clearing & Results Day, during the webinar the panelists will be discussing what it means to go into Clearing, what you can expect from the day, and what you need to do to secure your place for 2026.

Join The University of Law at 4:30pm on 15th July to examine the psychology behind a criminal case. You will explore how a Forensic Psychologist uses theory and research in their role. We will explore the facts of the case, identifying theories behind why individuals commit crime and how Forensic Psychologists provide interventions in a prison setting to support those convicted to re-enter society. This event is aimed at students with an interest in psychology, criminology or the criminal justice system.

The University of Portsmouth have a range of webinars running over the summer to help you learn more about university and their different courses.

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"Leonardo offers job opportunities across the UK covering a variety of job roles at all levels – from interns and apprentices to highly qualified professionals – including engineers, cyber security experts, programme and project managers, business analysts and many more.

We are among the winners of the annual Glassdoor Employees' Choice Awards for the first time, a list of the Best Places to Work in 2026."

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"We're the University that will equip you with the experience and knowledge you need to create the future you want. We're the University that will challenge and inspire you, as you learn from outstanding lecturers who will help you achieve your ambitions. You have the power to change the world, but you can't do it alone. Together, we can make more happen. "

You can learn more about Leeds Trinity University here.

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