



Your weekly guide to careers information, advice and news from Parklands High School

Here we are midway through the first term, and as always, lots of useful content in Career News for you to read and digest!

First up is a Careers Event just for the people of Chorley at the Town Hall on Monday 9th October, from 3pm - 7pm. There are some major employers involved - scan the QR code and book your place now. This should be a fantastic event - well worth a visit.



- Open events galore at colleges and sixth forms - go along and talk to students and staff, check out the facilities and see which one feels right for you.
- Some brilliant events on offer from Young Professionals for aspiring lawyers and accountants, hosted by some of the biggest names in the business world.
- Download the latest issue of Careermag for expert tips and advice for supporting students at any stage of their education.
- Springpod, in conjunction with ICE, are offering a fantastic virtual work experience programme for would-be civil engineers.
- Allied Health Mentor's virtual work experience programme starts again this Sunday - get involved and find out more about working in the NHS.

Plus much more, including Career of the Week.

On a slightly different note, congratulations to the team of Year 9s who have made it to the Regional Finals of the Quadcopter Challenge with Raytheon Technologies. We had a Build and Fly Day earlier this week and successfully flew the drone, after building it from scratch. Fingers crossed for the next stage of judging!

Have a great weekend!



2nd - 6th October 2023



Get the Edge: BBC Future

In a complex, fast-paced world of information overload, BBC Future is a place to slow down and delve deep into the important issues facing the world. Covering topics from technology and psychology to climate change and social trends, there's a huge variety of future-oriented articles across the site.

Through evidence-based analysis and original thinking, BBC Future shines a light on the hidden ways that the world is changing and the potential solutions for navigating – and embracing! – the future.

Read here



Chorley Careers Event

Monday 9th October 2023
3pm til 7pm

Lancastrian Suite, Chorley Town Hall, PR7 1DP



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The Chorley Careers Event will provide an opportunity for you to meet with people from various companies, learn more about their vacancies, and build new relationships with potential employers!

This event will provide access to career advisors, industry experts, and other resources that can help individuals navigate the apprenticeship & careers process and make informed decisions about their chosen career paths, so why not get involved – **after all, it's free!**

THURSDAY – 4–5PM

AGE 11+

BOYS FOOTBALL

50p per session

Senior boys football club working on skills

Starts from 14th September

EPIC
ENGAGEMENT PROJECTS
INTERVENTION CLUBS

INSPIRE
An Inspire Youth Zone

To book – please email tamara.howarth@inspireyouthzone.org

THURSDAY – 4–5PM

ALL GROUPS

GIRLS NETBALL

50p per session

Girls netball club working on skills

Starts from 14th September

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Senior climbing project working on skills and confidence

Starts from TBC

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TUESDAY – 4–5PM

AGE 11+

RACKET SPORTS

50p per session

Senior mixed racket sports project lasting 6 weeks

Starts from 12th September

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MONDAY – 4–5PM

AGE 8–14

WRESTLING

£15 for 8 weeks

Wrestling project with the aim of building and developing confidence

Starts from 25th September

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Projects / Clubs

COMING SOON...

Junior Wheelchair

Basketball

Senior Girls Football

Junior Boys Football

Hutton Sixth Form Open Evening



100% pass rate
for A levels
(2022)

Best school
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Lancashire*

88% of students
achieved a grade B
or higher (2022)

**Thursday 19th October
6pm-8pm**

Make our Hutton your Hutton

*The Times Parent Power Guide 2023

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Business & Accounting Work Experience with Grant Thornton

Wednesday 4th October, 5pm - 6pm

This is going to be a fantastic evening packed with lots of useful information around the world of work, helping young people in the business and accounting recruitment process and the opportunity to network and hear from some senior business professionals. We have also attached a flyer which can be shared on social media.

Calling all aspiring accountants and business professionals! In-bound work experience is coming your way right now! We have teamed up with global professional services firm Grant Thornton, who are offering work experience this October Half Term.

If you are someone who is an ambitious aspiring accountant or business professional, looking to learn more about the industry then this is for you!

We have arranged an incredible event with Grant Thornton, one of the largest accounting & professional services firm in the world on Wednesday 4th October, between 5pm - 6pm. Following on from this event, you will have the opportunity to apply live at the event for a whole week of work experience in the October Half Term. And it doesn't matter where you live because Grant Thornton have over 15 offices UK wide, there will be an opportunity for you less than an hour away from where you live.

Grant Thornton are a leading international audit, tax, and advisory firm, aspiring to build the economic foundations of a fair and prosperous world. They rank within the Top 6 firms in their industry.

During this virtual introductory event we will be joined by some of Grant Thornton's senior staff, who will provide an insight to their business along with an exciting business application workshop (with a live demonstration on how to apply for professional services roles and work experience in October Half Term)!

This event is open to all students moving into Y12 and Y13 from across the UK.

Application Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/InsightIntoGrantThornton>





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4.30PM - 7.30PM
 • Monday 9 October 2023 • Monday 6 November 2023
 • Monday 29 January 2024 • Monday 22 April 2024

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 • Monday 16 October 2023 • Monday 13 November 2023
 • Monday 5 February 2024



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9 OCTOBER
FROM 4.30PM



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- Apprenticeships

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Our University Guide 2023-2024 is here



Our Success at School University Guide 2023-2024 for parents and carers is now available.

This free digital guide will help you and your child make informed decisions about their next steps after school.

Covering everything from UCAS to accommodation to studying abroad, this guide will help you and your child think through everything you need to consider including expert, first-hand advice from universities and employers.

Download your free copy now: [CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD](#)

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REGISTER FOR OUR

YEAR 10 & 11 OPEN EVENT
WEDNESDAY 4 OCTOBER, 4-7PM

www.preston.ac.uk/oct23

SCAN TO
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FUTURE EVENTS

Saturday 18 November 2023, 10am-2pm
Thursday 7 March 2024, 4-7pm



BOLTON COLLEGE YOUNG PEOPLE'S

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OPEN EVENTS 2023 / 24



We can't wait to tell you about the amazing opportunities here at Bolton College so visit us in person to discover what we're all about!

Tuesday 17th October 2023

5pm-8pm

Thursday 14th December 2023

5pm-8pm

Wednesday 15th November 2023

5pm-8pm

Tuesday 6th February 2024

5pm-8pm

Deane Road Campus, Bolton, BL3 5BG

Register via:
www.boltoncollege.ac.uk



YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Insight to Bird & Bird

This is going to be a fantastic evening packed with lots of useful information around the world of work, helping young people in the law recruitment process and the opportunity to network and hear from some senior law professionals. Ever dreamed of becoming a legal professional or paving your way to a dynamic career in law? Imagine kickstarting your legal journey at Bird & Bird, one of the world's leading international law firms. Join our **Exclusive Insight Event** opportunity with Bird & Bird on **Tuesday 3rd of October**, from 5pm - 6pm!

With 31 offices worldwide, Bird & Bird have the global reach and collaborative spirit to help you soar in your career. You'll learn what it means to be a solicitor and the different routes to get into law.

You'll be able to hear success stories and insights from recent apprentices, connect with experienced lawyers, and gain valuable knowledge on how to access Bird & Bird's programmes.

What are some opportunities on offer?

- Solicitor Apprenticeship Programme: Qualify as a solicitor by undertaking on-the-job training while studying for a law degree and the SQE for six-years.
- Early Bird Scholarship: A mentoring scheme with our trainees for support and career guidance during your university studies in law, work experience at the firm, tailored workshops and skills sessions, and financial assistance of £7,500 paid in instalments over your time at university.
- Work Experience: A variety of online and in-person work experience opportunities across the year that you can book onto.

Following the event, you will receive a certificate of completion within 7 working days. This can be used on your CVs or LinkedIn profile and will undoubtedly enhance your applications for upcoming opportunities and help your CV to really stand out!

**Join us for our exclusive virtual insight on Tuesday 3rd of October from 5pm - 6pm
to kickstart your legal career at Bird & Bird!**

Secure your spot now:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BirdandBirdScholarship>





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TUE 26 SEPT 23

4:30 - 8:00

WED 4 OCT 23

4:30 - 8:00

Sign up



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Find out about Early Career Programmes & Apprenticeships in Horseracing

Have your students ever thought about a career in the Horseracing industry?

There are various career paths they can take, some of which they may never have even thought about and a wide range of training to support them on their journey.

Foundation training at our racing schools, the National Horseracing College and the British Racing School, leads to completing an apprenticeship in a racing yard, which allows you to work hands-on with horses. There are similar options in Scotland with the Scottish Racing Academy.

There is also an option for those that want to work with horses but maybe don't want to ride. The National Stud offers an Entry to Stud Employment Course for those with no experience handling horses, leading to a role in the breeding industry.

If media interests your students, then there is the Racing Media Academy who provide students with work experience and training at some of the largest media companies within Horseracing. This involves a one-week course at the British Racing School, followed by a paid placement in one of the many racing media outlets. Applications are invited in November.

[Click for further information](#)



Helping students understand what a career in civil engineering could do for them and the world.

ICE, an affiliate of the CDI committed to high-quality careers provision, have launched an on-demand virtual work experience with Springpod.

The programme **Civil Engineers: Shaping the World** is for students aged 14 to 18 years old and shows young people what being a civil engineer is all about.

It features:

- Online content that can be completed flexibly
- 6 student-friendly topics including sustainability, improving lives and keeping us entertained
- Recorded webinars featuring industry experts
- A topic on being career ready with tips on CVs and cover letters
- A certificate of completion at the end

[Start the virtual work experience now](#)

Free Virtual Work Experience

Civil Engineers: Shaping the World

Springpod

5.2 hours
average student engagement

"I really enjoyed this virtual programme. I learned a lot about civil engineering and I got a chance to work on different activities and to think about problems that are related to civil engineering."

8.3
average rating from participants

"I loved the technical engineering information on actual civil engineering projects and the focus on sustainability."

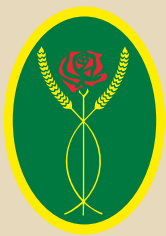
Explore more from the ICE:

- [ICE Inspire](#) - 360 interactive virtual careers centre
- [ICE STEM ambassador visits](#)
- [The ICE CityZen Award](#) for students aged 16-18 years - Register before 4 Oct to take part in 2023's competition

About the ICE

Civil engineers are vital in helping provide the infrastructure that underpins everything we do. Civil engineering roles are part of the often-talked-about engineering skills gap and are in high demand both in the UK and overseas.

The Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE) is a registered charity and professional membership body with over 95,000 civil engineer members worldwide. We are on a mission to inspire a new generation of civil engineers and tackle the global challenges of climate change and ensure a sustainable future.



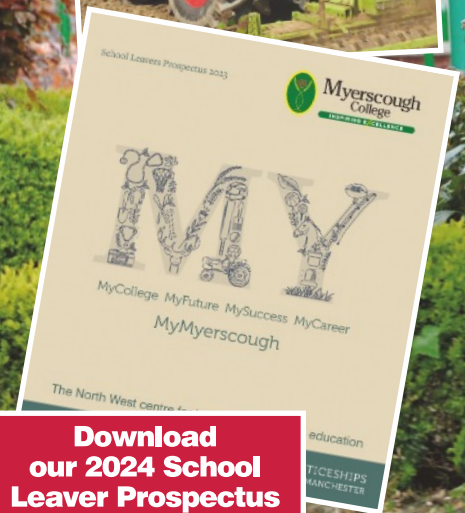
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The magazine cover shows two women looking at a laptop. Text on the cover includes: 'Flick through and discover: Students and Money, UCAS - Key Dates, Talking Careers with Teens & Much more!', 'Click here to Subscribe', 'Helping you to help them', 'Agriculture and Horticulture', 'Childcare', 'Engineering', 'PIXL', 'pacey', 'TIAH', and 'Careermag for Parents, Carers & Guardians, Issue 11, September 2023'.

Careermag for Parents, Careers & Guardians - Issue 11

We're excited to announce that the latest edition of Careermag for Parents, Carers & Guardians is now live! With more expert guides, tips and advice to help you to help them:

- Students and money
- UCAS - Key Dates
- Talking Careers with Teens
- & much more!

Welcome Back!

Another academic year and all the hope that that brings! As parents and carers I am sure that you will welcome the start of a routine again after the summer break.

The next few years of your child's education are such important ones, not just because of their academic achievements and the knowledge they will learn but also because of who they will become. In this time they are going to be forming into adults, working out what they want and don't want and what their future may look like.

In a changing world, the possibilities also change. The options available to them include vocational pathways as well as A levels and GCSEs, they include graduate schemes, apprenticeships, internships as well as degrees.

The possibilities are endless which is why this magazine is such an important publication to guide you through. If you want to find a map to plan the route ahead, this is the place to be!

As you support your child in all that they are going to become, we are all here to support you.

[READ NOW](#)



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CRS | CharlesRussell Speechlys LAW EVENT

4TH OF OCTOBER | 5PM - 6:30PM



YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Insight Into Law At Charles Russell Speechlys

Wednesday 4th October, 5pm - 6.30pm!

This is going to be a fantastic evening packed with lots of useful information around the world of work, helping young people in the law recruitment process and the opportunity to network and hear from some senior law professionals.

Have you ever imagined what it's like to be Harvey Specter? Or even the boss lady that is Elle Woods? How about coming into work each day sitting at one of the tallest buildings in the heart of London? We have got you sorted.

We have an exclusive event with the world renowned law firm, Charles Russell Speechlys, with revenues over £120 million and international offices ranging all across the globe.

You do not want to miss the opportunity to speak to senior lawyers to gain an insight into this fascinating world. This infamous law firm holds a vast range of opportunities for all aspiring students wanting to develop their career into law such as in person work experience and insight events, mentoring and solicitor apprenticeship opportunities. This is an exclusive opportunity you won't want to miss.

This kick-off virtual event will be held on Wednesday 4th October from 5pm - 6.30pm, where you will hear first hand from some of the biggest legal professionals in the industry whilst taking part in fun and practical workshops to really give you a sense of what it's like to be a corporate lawyer at a global law firm like CRS. You will also have the opportunity to chat with recent solicitor apprentices on how they secured their roles and hear their top tips and recommendations on how you can follow in their footsteps.

Law events like this are really important to attend especially if you are looking to build up your professional network as well as keeping up to date with the latest legal knowledge and skills that corporate firms such as CRS want you to have.

There are limited spaces available so sign up now to secure your spot at this prestigious event. You will also have the opportunity to apply for in person work experience during the October half term at their HQ in London.

Application Link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CharlesRussellSpeechlysLawEvent>



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EXCELLENCE SUPPORT INSPIRATION



OPEN EVENINGS

- Thursday 5th October 2023 (5pm – 8pm)
- Wednesday 18th October 2023 (5pm – 8pm)
- Wednesday 1st November 2023 (5pm – 8pm)

Booking link:



See our website for more details - www.winstanley.ac.uk

Any queries please email admissions@winstanley.ac.uk or call 01695 628610



In recent years, Health Education England conducted a comprehensive discovery report on virtual work experience programmes, underscoring their significant value as complementary to traditional in-person experiences, particularly in situations where in-person opportunities are severely restricted.

At Allied Healthcare Mentor, we are proud to have mentored over 15,000 students during the past two academic years. This achievement solidifies our position as the largest and most comprehensive programme dedicated to students with a keen interest in pursuing careers in the following fields:

- **Nursing**
- **Midwifery**
- **Paramedicine**
- **Physiotherapy**
- **Occupational Therapy**
- **Dietetics**
- **Radiography**
- **Prosthetics and Orthotics**
- **Speech and Language Therapy**
- **Pharmacy**

We currently have limited spaces available for the upcoming session on **Sunday 1st October**, 9am - 5pm, focused on 'Communication and Fractures'.

Students can register using the link below:

<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/>

It is suitable for students in year groups 10/11.

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. Students will observe the healthcare professionals as they interact with the patients and each other. Students will have an opportunity to ask questions and gain knowledge through teaching.

This will help students to make an informed career decision as well as learn about how healthcare professionals work together as part of a multidisciplinary team. Each work experience day is completely different, and students will be able to build on their knowledge of NHS careers as they see different patient cases and healthcare professionals work in a variety of settings, such as hospital and community.

Students will also receive certificates as evidence of having participated in the work experience programme. Those that complete the entire 5-month programme will be awarded with Highly Commended References too. Students can register individually through the website link below. Places are £10 a day to cover administrative costs and run the tech on the day. Schools can also register groups online.

Kindest Regards,

Nikki Abbott
Head of Education

5 apprenticeships you might like if you're addicted to TikTok

Are you finding it hard to tear yourself away from TikTok? Do the endless scroll and captivating content keep you glued to your screen for hours on end? If you're looking to make the most of your time while indulging in your TikTok addiction, consider these apprenticeships that might just pique your interest:

Content creator apprenticeship

If you can't resist the allure of TikTok, why not turn your passion into a career? A [content creator apprenticeship](#) can teach you the ins and outs of producing and curating content for various platforms, including TikTok. You'll learn how to create engaging posts, analyse data to measure your success, and grow an online presence.

Digital marketing manager apprentice

TikTok is a hotbed for digital marketing opportunities. By embarking on a [digital marketing manager apprenticeship](#), you can harness your addiction to TikTok to master the art of online advertising, content strategy, and audience engagement.



Creative digital design apprenticeship

TikTok is a visual platform, and eye-catching graphics are key to success. If you have a creative streak, consider becoming a [creative digital design apprentice](#). You'll learn how to create stunning visuals and animations that will grab the attention of TikTok users.

Broadcast production assistant apprenticeship

TikTok is all about short, engaging videos. Becoming a [broadcast production assistant apprentice](#) will equip you with the skills and experience needed to shoot, edit, and produce high-quality videos. You might even create the next TV sensation!



Advertising and media executive apprentice

TikTok Shop is the new way of buying and selling! As an [advertising and media executive apprentice](#), you could be using the knowledge you've gained from time spent scrolling. Work with creative producers such as copywriters, evaluate creative output, or learn about programmatic/automatic buying. A

Don't let TikTok control your time; instead, use it as a source of inspiration and motivation to embark on a fulfilling apprenticeship journey right here in the UK. Who knows, your next viral video might just be a testament to your newfound skills!

Go to <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship> - create an account to apply for vacancies.
You will probably need a CV - see Miss Berry for help with this.



CAREER *of the* WEEK

Detective

If you thrive on challenges, enjoy problem solving and have a strong desire to keep people safe a career as a detective may suit you.

Detectives are accredited police officers who work as Serious and Complex Crime Investigators or Specialist Investigators. They're responsible for managing a range of investigations including those concerning robbery, drugs, domestic violence, public and child protection, company fraud, cybercrime, homicide and counter-terrorism.

The term detective is not a rank but a descriptive title, which demonstrates your current role and reflects your skills, knowledge, training and experience in a particular field. Detectives work alongside their uniformed counterparts as equals in pay and rank.

Types of work

As a detective you can work in a number of specialist departments:

- criminal investigations department (CID) - handles incidents such as suspicious deaths, serious assaults, robbery, burglary and major property thefts, domestic abuse or racist abuse
- fraud squad - investigates company and financial fraud
- drugs squad - deals with drug trafficking investigations, which may be long-term and may also involve working with colleagues from other countries
- firearms squad - investigates and responds to offences involving firearms, including potential hostage situations
- child protection department - deals with offences against children
- Special Branch - investigates incidents relating to national security and international terrorism.

Further professional training is required when starting to work in any of these specialist units; it is possible to transfer to different units over the course of your career. Not all specialist areas are offered by every police force and there is strong competition for some.



➡ [Find out more here](#)