

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

Here we are - already at the end of term, and what a busy term it has been! We have had various colleges in school conducting interviews - more than 270 Year 11 interviews over just five days (with just a couple more to complete after Easter).

Year 10 have had a pre-sampling assembly with Wigan & Leigh College, when they chose their subjects for the taster day in June (they will repeat the process in April for the Runshaw taster day).

This week also saw a lunchtime drop-in session from Carolyn at MPCT, the Military Preparation Academy in Chorley. They offer a Level 3 Certificate for entry to the Uniformed Services, with a big emphasis on sport and fitness, so if anyone is interested in finding out more, they hold open days every Friday, or you can scan the QR code on the poster inside this issue.

Our aspiring Bronze Industrial Cadet teams are working hard on their projects, alongside our industry mentor, Sam from NSG Environmental Ltd. We are hoping to visit NSG after the holiday to meet the team and find out exactly what they do.

We have also been successful in securing another STEM project from Raytheon Technologies - I will be recruiting some more keen Year 8s shortly for a Quadcopter Challenge. Interested? Keep an eye on the bulletin for more information soon ...

Also on offer this week:

- Young Professionals are hosting an online work experience day with some amazing companies certainly something to put on your CV.
- The University of Law has a series of online lectures that you can take part in, plus you can download a copy of the Careers in Psychology guide to discover where a Psychology degree could take you.
- One for parents/carers download the latest Careermag for the latest on apprenticeships, university,
 T-levels, work experience and much more.
- Loads of great offers from the Medic Mentor family conferences and virtual work experience from all the different areas: dentistry, allied healthcare, medical and even law.
- Lots of great apprenticeships available locally including one from Mojo Hair & Beauty, based at
 David Lloyd Leisure. Caris is looking for two school leavers to join their team more details and email
 address inside.

Plus much more!

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You are invited to Solton College's

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Industries

SHOWCASE

for Year 10 Students

This exclusive event is for Year 10 students who are eager to explore Art, Performing Arts, Hairdressing, Beauty, Catering or Travel & Tourism, and is designed to inspire, inform and motivate your pupils to pursue their future interests and ambitions.

Join us for an afternoon of creativity, learning and fun:

Wednesday 3rd May, 1pm-3pm Bolton College, Deane Road Campus



Travel & Tourism Talks

taking pupils on a journey around the world whilst giving them insider knowledge about the travel and tourism industry.



a twist: a quiz putting your students' creative skills to the test, allowing them to compete with their friends for the top spot!



Showcase featuring the latest beauty trends and techniques.



Cookery Demonstrations

in our expansive catering kitchens and restaurant with our professional chefs.

Dance Performances:

dazzling displays of talent courtesy of our performing arts students.

To book your place please email

nicola.karwat@boltoncc.ac.uk

by Friday 21st April 2023 detailing how many students will be attending.



Real World Lectures in Psychology and Law

Real World lectures are delivered by expert tutors and aim to give students a taster of the subject area and enable them to ask questions about future careers. They are aimed at years 12-13, but there is no reason why Year 11s interested in this field cannot take part.

Wednesday 19 April, 4-5pm, Online

Can we make our memories more powerful?

Memory is being able to recognise people, places - it is essential for all our waking moments, but it is malleable, fallible and open to suggestion. The Dean of the Science School and cognitive psychology expert, Catriona Morrison, explains how our memories work, discusses the 'Seven Sins of memory', and explores creative ways to investigate and strengthen our memories, like through the power of music and smell.

Book place

Wednesday 17 May, 4-5pm, Online

How is mental health protected by the law?

To recognise mental health awareness week our expert tutor will be exploring how mental health is protected by the law and how it is adapting in the face of more individuals suffering with these issues. This would be of interest to both future laywers or those considering a career in clinical or health psychology.

Book place

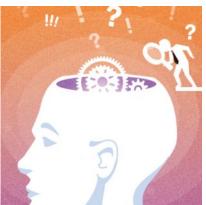
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Careers in Psychology Guide

Check out our downloadable guide to discover the different areas of psychology you could specialise in and where your degree could take you.

Read the guide



Top 3 Experiments that changed Psychology

This blog post discusses three of the most profound experiments that shaped our understanding of psychology, how the results were obtained, and the real-world impact of the research.

Read the Blog



We hope you are looking forward to the upcoming holidays!

Are you interested in discovering new and innovative ways to solve complex problems?

Do you have a passion for building and creating things from scratch?

If so, maybe a career in Engineering, Construction or Property Development might be for you!

Have you secured any work experience during Easter? Not yet? Don't panic, we would love to invite you to our 'Get Into Engineering and Construction' work-experience day!



On **Wednesday 5th of April** from **9.00am - 1.00pm**, we will be hosting a full day's work experience for students looking to learn more about a career in this innovative and practical field. This event will be held virtually via Zoom, so you can join us from anywhere in the country!

We will be joined by leading global employers within the sectors, including companies such as: one of the UK's most luxury property developers, FTSE company Berkeley Group, and the world leader in environmental services combating climate change, Veolia!

By attending this event, you'll get the chance to hear from leading industry professionals and gain exclusive insights into the various career paths available in Engineering and Construction, no doubt there will be the perfect job just for you in such a huge industry! With it being a multi-employer event you will get a taste of what a career could look like in each industry.

You'll learn about all the various routes into the field as well as the apprenticeship programmes offered by these firms, which will ultimately provide you with an opportunity to take your first step towards an exciting career within the dynamic field!

But that's not all - this work experience day will also be jam-packed with exciting activities and challenges that will put your skills to the test, giving you the opportunity to take part in hands-on workshops while will allow you to get a taste of what it is really like to work in the exciting and ever-changing engineering sector.

Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to elevate your CV!

We will also hear exclusive information on how you can gain further work experience during the summer holidays, so you won't want to miss out... Spaces are limited, so we recommend applying ASAP using the link below.

Application link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RZ3R98M

Please do share this work-experience with any friends who might be interested, as we know how hard these opportunities are to come-by!





In a world where you can be anyone, we want you to be yourself!

Ever wondered what it's like to work for Cisco, the world's leader in digital transformation, IT and networks? #WeAreCisco, where each person is unique, but we bring our talents to work as a team and make a difference. Here's how we do it.

We embrace digital and help our customers implement change in their digital businesses. Some may think we're "old" (30 years strong!) and only about hardware, but we're also a software company. And a security company. A blockchain company. An Al/Machine Learning company. We even invented an intuitive network that adapts, predicts, learns and protects. No other company can do what we do – you can't put us in a box!

Day to day, we focus on the give and take.

We give our best, we give our egos a break and we give of ourselves (because giving back is built into our DNA.) We take accountability, we take bold steps, and we take difference to heart. Because without diversity of thought and a commitment to equality for all, there is no moving forward.

Here at Cisco, we have fantastic Apprenticeship opportunities for you to build skills and gain relevant experience through our Customer Experience & Sales organisation on either a Technical or Non-Technical pathway. At the same time you will work towards gaining a fully paid for Bachelor's degree from a recognised University, along with industry recognised qualifications.

Our programs welcome marketing wizards, crafty communicators, and, of course, computer nerds.

So, you have colourful hair? Don't care. Tattoos? Show off your ink. Like polka dots? That's cool. Pop culture geek? Many of us are. Passion for technology and world-changing? Be you, with us!

To apply for one of our Apprenticeship roles, click Apply Now to be considered for our next cohort of upcoming talent.

Apply Now





Hairdressing Apprenticeship vacancy at Mojo Hair & Beauty

(based at David Lloyd Leisure)

I am continuously looking at growing my team and one of the ways to do this is through apprenticeships. We offer continuous in-salon training and work with a company called Cheynes Training to deliver the highest standard of training and education. I am looking for two dedicated, talented and punctual individuals to join our team.



Interested?

Email: **Caris Lake** at **Mojo Hair & Beauty** on <u>mojohairdesign@btconnect.com</u> with your details (and a CV if you have one), explaining why they should consider you for an apprenticeship.



Apprenticeships to consider if your favourite subject is business studies

If your favourite subject is business studies and you consider yourself to be management material, why not start your career path with a relevant apprenticeship?

A career using business studies will equip you with plenty of essential skills, including data evaluation, understanding key business functions such as HR and finance, management skills, the ability to communicate and problem solve effectively, and to gain an understanding of how organisations operate. There are a wide range of careers and locations to explore in this sector, from the traditional business-to-business sales professional to the more diverse, such as a hospitality manager or sustainability business specialist.

Here is a selection of apprenticeships that all have a focus on the subject of business studies at their core.

Associate project manager: Develop into a capable associate project manager who knows what needs to be achieved within businesses and other organisations. The duration is 24 months and you'll achieve a level 4 apprenticeship upon completion.

<u>Bid and proposal coordinator</u>: Bring together compelling, customer-focused proposals and tender submission to win new business. The duration is 24 months and you'll achieve a level 3 apprenticeship upon completion.

Business administrator: Working across all sectors, you'll support and improve administrative services within an organisation. The duration is 18 months and you'll achieve a level 3 apprenticeship upon completion.

<u>Dental practice manager</u>: Responsible for managing all non-clinical aspects within the practice to achieve excellent patient care and performance. The duration is 24 months and you'll achieve a level 4 apprenticeship upon completion.

HR consultant: You'll provide and lead the delivery of HR solutions and expertise to business challenges. The duration is 36 months and you'll achieve a level 5 apprenticeship upon completion.

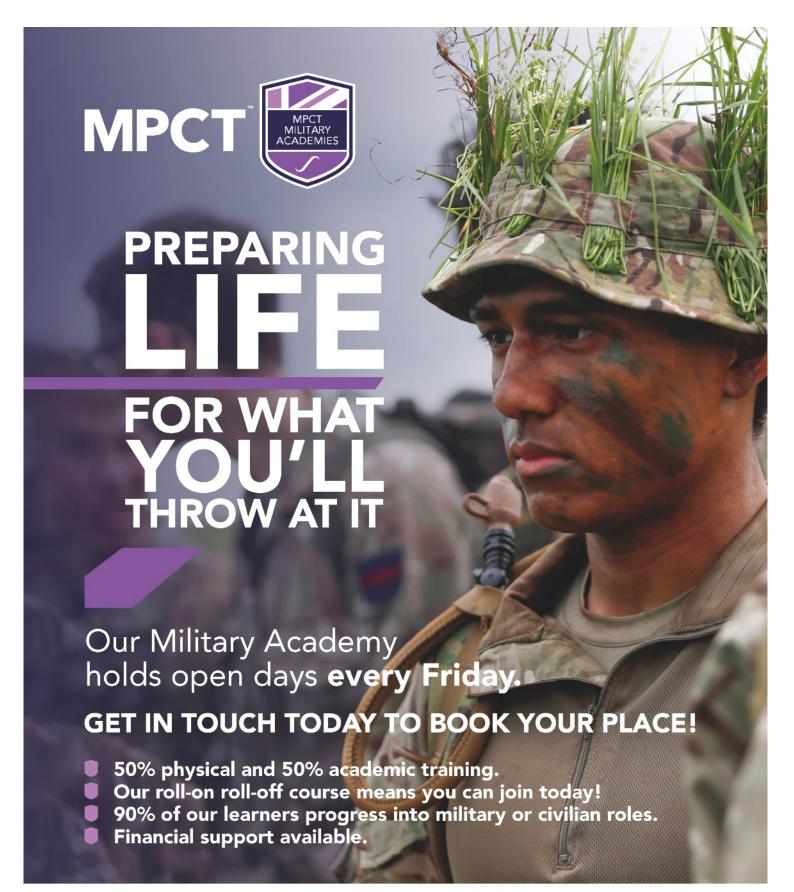
<u>Operations/departmental manager</u>: You'll lead teams and projects according to predetermined goals and objectives. The duration is 30 months and you'll achieve a level 5 apprenticeship upon completion.

<u>School business professional</u>: Administer and manage financial, site and support services within schools. The duration is 18 months and you'll achieve a level 4 apprenticeship upon completion.

<u>Trade union official</u>: You'll develop and deliver union organising activities and campaigns that will recruit and retain union members and activities. The duration is 18 months and you'll achieve a level 4 apprenticeship upon completion.







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We recognise that Parents and Guardians can have a huge influence on a young person's next steps. When asked by their teenager 'What should I do next?' many parents can feel overwhelmed. So much has changed since they left school/college, which is why Careermag for Parents, Carers and Guardians aims to inform parents so their young people can feel supported - whether they'd like to go to University, do an Apprenticeship, Work Experience or T Levels.

This issue is sponsored by Go Construct and The National Construction College and supported by PiXL, Movement to Work, CDI and many more!

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Through our brands, Lloyds Banking Group, has a relationship with just about every household and community in the UK. We underpin the lives of millions of individuals and businesses and play a key role in helping to build a growing UK economy. We're also a major provider of UK apprenticeships.

We offer valuable work opportunities, combined with exceptional training and development options, for apprentices throughout our business. We see apprentices as a vital talent stream and have created an inclusive, welcoming and challenging environment in which they are set up for success.

Right now, we have a number of apprenticeships open, from Level 2 through to Level 7. These are aimed specifically at school leavers, for an opportunity to gain hugely valuable experience, plus professional qualifications, in HR, Risk, Customer Services or Software Engineering.

As the year progresses, we'll be updating the list with many more – Lloyds Banking Group offer various apprenticeships in 9 different business areas. You can find more information on our <u>dedicated apprenticeship pages</u>.

We also have a wealth of resources on our Let's Get Life Ready pages – point your students towards this for information, inspiration, tips and advice on everything from CVs to self-confidence.

Click here to learn more about our apprentice offer





Due to popular demand, we've added more dates to the next Get into Law conference! Your students are invited to attend a full guide to the UCAS process for Law degrees, where I'll provide my insight as a Judge into what they need to stand out in a highly competitive application pool.

The next conferences are on:

- Saturday 23rd April (9:30am 2pm)
- Sunday 24th April (9:30am 2pm)
- Saturday 13th May (9:30am 2pm)
- Sunday 14th May (9:30am 2pm)
- Saturday 10th June (9:30am 2pm)
- Sunday 11th June (9:30am 2pm)

Registration link: https://lawmentor.org.uk/product/get-into-law-conference/

Spaces are filling up very quickly, so any interested students are encouraged to book as soon as possible. Students from all year groups are welcome!

As a Judge, I will share my insight into law and offer my best advice for building an application to the best law schools in the country. Please feel free to forward this information to your students so that they can get involved! Tickets are £15 to cover administrative and technological costs.

Topics covered in the conference include:

- Life as a law student, solicitor, barrister, and judge
- Legal myth-busting
- Application timeline
- CV, extracurricular activities, and transferable skills for law
- UCAS key components to be aware of
- Personal statements
- Interviews
- Entrance exams: LNAT, Cambridge/Oxford Law Exam

I will be answering questions throughout the conference.

Applying to law can be a pretty overwhelming process, so I hope to help your students organise their applications and shine through as future courthouse powerhouses!

Registration link: https://lawmentor.org.uk/product/get-into-law-conference/

I hope to meet your students there.

Emma Serrano

Chief Mentor for Law





Scan to register!



Get Into Dentistry.

CONFERENCE

Dr Alicia Mead will take you step-by-step through your application to dental school.

- Application Timelines
 - · Interview Training
- Personal Statements
 - · CV Building
- · Entrance Exams: UCAT & BMAT
- Accessing Medical Leadership Programmes, Awards Programmes and Scholarships to University

You'll also hear from a recently successful applicant on what it takes to make your candidacy to dental school stand out!



You are invited to the next FREE, virtual Get into Medicine and Get into Dentistry conferences. You will hear from doctors, dentists, and students about the UCAS application process and what you need to make your application as strong as it can be.

All attendees will be awarded a certificate to show that they've gone one step further than most applicants.

GET INTO MEDICINE CONFERENCE (FREE, VIRTUAL)

https://medicmentor.co.uk/medicine-national-healthcare-weekend/

Dr Mike and Dr Siva will guide you through the UCAS application process for medicine. This includes personal statements and white space questions, UCAT, interview skills, and scholarships.

- Saturday 1st April (2:30pm 7:30pm)
- Sunday 23rd April (2:30pm 7:30pm)

Registration link: https://airtable.com/shr66li3bqG3ZpkPM

GET INTO DENTISTRY CONFERENCE (FREE, VIRTUAL)

https://medicmentor.co.uk/online-get-into-dentistry-conference/

Dentist Dr Fiona Andrews will provide bespoke advice to dental applicants, including how to access work experience, UCAT, interview training, extracurricular activities, and more.

• Saturday 29th April (9:30am - 1:30pm)

Registration link: https://airtable.com/shr7JL0vaCAzEYUo1

Thank you so much for passing this information on to your students! Our resident doctors and dentists (Chief Mentors) are very excited to see them there!

Warmest wishes.

Gareth Anstice

Chief Operating Officer
Your Medic Family







Scan to register!



Get Into Medicine.

CONFERENCE

Dr Siva and Dr Kennedy will take you step-by-step through your application to medical school.

This includes:

- Application Timelines
 - · Interview Training
- Personal Statements
 - · CV Building
- · Entrance Exams: UCAT & BMAT
- Accessing Medical Leadership Programmes, Awards Programmes and Scholarships to University

You'll also hear from a recently successful applicant on what it takes to make your candidacy to medical school stand out!



This is a reminder that the next NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience is coming up on Sunday 2nd April.

Help your students explore the exciting world of healthcare. Whether your students are considering nursing, medicine, or any other healthcare profession, this work experience is vital to gain valuable insight to help them make an informed decision!

Registration Link: https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. They will gain a unique insight into how patients interact with a variety of healthcare professionals and what it's like to work in an NHS multidisciplinary team. This includes:

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



Attendees will have the opportunity to interact with healthcare professionals throughout each day. This will empower students to make informed career decisions and demonstrate their commitment to healthcare in their UCAS applications.

Once they've registered, students will be emailed links to their virtual work experience portals.

Students are awarded a Work Experience Certificate for every session they complete. Those who complete the full 5-month programme will be awarded a Highly Commended Reference from the Presidents of Allied Healthcare Mentor. These are fantastic additions to their CVs!

Students can register individually at any time throughout the 5-month programme using the link below. We recommend booking early to gain as much out of this programme as possible. Places are £10 a session to cover administrative and technological costs.

https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/

Thank you for highlighting this opportunity to the next generation of NHS workers.

Kindest Regards,

Work Experience Team Allied Healthcare Mentor





Your students are invited to learn what it's really like to work in the NHS with a virtual 'Insight into Allied Health conference' on Sunday 30th April, 9am - 5pm.

The conference will include first-hand accounts of the daily experiences and responsibilities of different healthcare professionals, from midwives to paramedics.

All guests will be answering questions throughout the conference, giving your students the chance to gain personal insight into their respective fields.

We look forward to empowering your students to see their future in the NHS. Tickets are just £10.

Students in all year groups can register here:

https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/national-healthcare-insight-conference-2/

I'm so excited to meet your students!

Abbie Dickinson

Chief Nurse Mentor, Your Medic Family



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- Speech and Language Therapy
- Pharmacy
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L2 Production Chef Apprentice at Dish Bar and Restaurant, Standish Training provider: Wigan & Leigh College	VAC1000131859
L2 Pharmacy Assistant Apprenticeship at Cohens Chemist, Lostock Hall Training provider: I & F Limited	VAC1000139875
L2 Apprentice Wood Machinist at Cartmell & Barlow Ltd., Lostock Hall Training provider: North Lancs Training Group Ltd	VAC1000130262
L2 Apprentice Arborist at Westfield Tree Services Ltd., Hoghton Training provider: Myerscough College	VAC1000141496 x 2 vacancies
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L3 IT Support Apprentice at Evolve Document Solutions Ltd., Bamber Bridge Training provider: Estio Training Ltd	VAC1000143380
L3 Digital Marketing Apprenticeship at MDS Healthcare Ltd., Bamber Bridge Training provider: Runshaw College	VAC1000120068
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L3 Apprentice Resourcer at Perfect Recruitment Ltd., Buckshaw Training provider: Runshaw College	VAC1000123341
L3 Accounts Apprentice at Woodville Accountancy, Chorley Training provider: Runshaw College	VAC1000135451

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

Also check out the vacancies at Alliance Learning and Training 2000



CAREER of the WEEK

HOSPITAL PHARMACIST

As a hospital pharmacist, you'll be an expert in the field of medicines, understanding how they are used and what their effects are on the human body.

As well as dispensing prescriptions, you'll be involved in the purchasing and quality testing of medicines. You may also manufacture medicines, as in some cases treatments need to be tailor-made for individual patients.

You'll work closely with medical and nursing staff to make sure hospital patients receive the best treatment, advising on the selection, dose and type of administration. You'll also provide help and advice to patients in all aspects of their medicines.

While most hospital pharmacists are based within NHS or private hospitals, the role can extend beyond this with responsibility for medicines in health centres, nursing homes, hospices and general practitioners' (GP) surgeries.

Responsibilities

You'll need to:

- check prescriptions for errors, ensuring they're appropriate and safe for the individual patient
- provide advice on the dosage of medicines and the most appropriate form of medication, which could be by tablet, injection, ointment or inhaler
- participate in ward rounds to take patient drug histories
- liaise with other medical staff on problems patients may experience when taking their medicines
- discuss treatments with patients' relatives, community pharmacists and GPs
- make sure medicines are stored appropriately and securely
- supervise the work of less experienced and less qualified staff
- answer questions about medicines from within the hospital, other hospitals and the general public
- keep up to date with, and contribute to, research and development
- write guidelines for drug use within the hospital and implement hospital regulations
- provide information on expenditure on drugs
- prepare and quality-check sterile medications, for example, intravenous medications
- set up and supervise clinical trials





