



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

Welcome back to a slimmed down edition of Career News!

Inside you will find details of:

- The final open day for Winstanley College - ideal for Year 10s as they start to consider their options.
- There is a new student day at Blackburn College for anyone who has accepted their place.
- If you are considering joining the Army, why not listen to the latest podcast from BASE?
- Bolton Sixth Form would like to invite you to their Art Showcase - go along and see the fabulous work they have produced this year.
- If you get the chance, go along to the Young Professionals careers event of the year in London - it could be the first step to a great career.
- More apprenticeship vacancies on offer at Gov.UK, plus some great options with Training 2000.
- There are some great virtual WEX opportunities with Springpod - see inside for details.
- Year 10 pupils will visit Wigan & Leigh College on 25th June and Runshaw College on 2nd July. Transport and lunch is included and buses will be back at school before 3pm. These are great opportunities to find out more about college life and the types of subjects on offer.
- Work Experience booklets need to be in school as soon as possible to allow us to check insurance details and contact all employers ahead of the WEX week (13 - 17 July). All paperwork is available on the school website, including the employer booklet: [CLICK HERE](#)



Have a great weekend



15th - 19th June 2026

Where you **belong**. Who you *become*.

New Students' Day

Monday
29 June 2026



blackburn.ac.uk

As Year 11 students continue with their GCSE examinations, we would be grateful if you could remind students who have received an offer from Blackburn College that it is still not too late to accept their place for September.

We understand this is a busy and important time for students, and some may not yet have confirmed their next steps. We want to reassure them that they can still secure their place with us and receive support with enrolment, course guidance, and transition into college.

Choosing their next step is an exciting opportunity, and we encourage students to accept their offer as soon as possible to avoid missing out on their preferred course.

We also have New Students Day for those who have accepted their place. Register your attendance now.



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BRITISH ARMY SUPPORTING EDUCATION (BASE) PARENT PODCAST

If your young person is thinking about their future, it's natural to have questions and to want honest reassurance along the way.

Our brand new parent podcast shares two real family experiences of the Army journey, from first conversations at home through to training at Army Foundation College Harrogate.

You'll hear directly from parents about:

- How they felt at the start of the application process
- What helped them feel reassured
- What they wish they'd known earlier
- The impact the experience had on their whole family

One parent also reflects on how watching their older child thrive has inspired a younger sibling to start considering their own path.

It's a simple, honest listen designed to help you feel more informed and confident as you support your young person.

If you'd like more guidance, you can explore our Parents & Guardians hub for clear, practical information on Army careers, the application process, and what to expect at each stage. You'll also find on-demand webinars and real stories from other families.

Watch the Podcast



Winstanley College

EXCELLENCE SUPPORT INSPIRATION



OPEN EVENINGS

Wednesday 24 June 2026
(5:00pm – 8:00pm)

Booking link:



See our website for more details - www.winstanley.ac.uk
Any queries please email admissions@winstanley.ac.uk or call 01695 628610

STUDENT SHOWCASE

2026 STUDENT EXHIBITION THUR 25TH JUNE 5.00-7.00PM

T26
T22
T17



ALL WELCOME

BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS TO CELEBRATE
CLASS OF 2026'S WONDERFUL WORK

Location: The Sixth Form Bolton

Date: Thursday 25 June 2026

Time: 5:00pm – 7:00pm

EXPRESSIVE
ART



You are warmly invited to celebrate the hard work, creativity, and dedication of our second-year Art students at our End of Year Art Exhibition. Come along to enjoy the outstanding work our students have produced throughout the year. We look forward to celebrating their achievements with you.



Final Tickets – Young Professionals Summer Conference, London (18th July) | Google, Deloitte, HSBC, Visa, UBS, Goldman Sachs & 30 more employers.

Many of your students have previously attended Young Professionals events – work experience days and insight sessions at the offices of global employers. We wanted to share our flagship event of the year before tickets sell out.

Young Professionals Summer Conference – London Saturday 18th July 9am–1pm or 2pm–6pm | Friends House, Euston

This is it. The biggest careers event of the year – and tickets are nearly gone.

3,000+ students have already secured their place. If you want in, now is the time.

What's waiting for you:

- High-impact workshops – CVs, LinkedIn, interviews, apprenticeships & more
- Talks from senior leaders across banking, tech, law and business
- Face-to-face networking with recruiters actively looking for young talent
- Free LinkedIn headshots & personal branding support
- Goodie bags & downloadable career resources

**Special guests: Dan Miller – BBC The Apprentice Final 5 & YP Founder
Apprentice stars Priyesh & Harry Senior speaker from Google**

30+ global employers. One room. One day.

KPMG · Google · Goldman Sachs · UBS · EY · HSBC · Visa · Unilever · Accenture · Lloyds Banking Group · Arm · Bird & Bird · A&O Shearman · Farrer & Co · Charles Russell Speechlys · BDO · Grant Thornton · FDM · PA Consulting · CIMA · TLT · World Wide Technology · The University of Law · and more still to be confirmed.

These are real companies hiring for work experience, apprenticeships and graduate roles – and they're there specifically to meet students like you.

Friends House, London (directly opposite Euston Station – easy to get to from anywhere)
£26 booking fee – covers venue, speakers, AV, & resources

Secure your place now – before it's gone

- Morning session (9am–1pm): <https://buy.stripe.com/8x2eVe8RI6kFgMQa3m53O0k>
- Afternoon session (2pm–6pm) : <https://buy.stripe.com/8x28wQc3x10lfiMgrK53O0l>

If you're serious about your future, don't let someone else take your spot.

DISCOVER CAREERS IN THE

NHS



Discover the wide range of health and science jobs – including lots of exciting roles in the NHS!

Use these digital resources to explore careers, learn what it's really like, and take your first steps towards making a difference in healthcare.



NHS, Health & Science Careers Guides



Explore Careers in the NHS Online Course





APPRENTICESHIPS

which one works for you?

Level 2

Trade Supplier Apprenticeship, MAN Truck and Bus UK Ltd., Bamber Bridge VAC: 2000035675
You will be dealing with customer sales at the trade counter and over the telephone, and will understand incoming deliveries, stock control and despatch

Commis Chef Apprentice, Classic Lodges Ltd., Leyland VAC: 2000033100
You'll gain hands-on experience, learn from an experienced Head Chef and build the skills and confidence needed for a future culinary career.

Apprentice Nursery Practitioner, Just Childcare Ltd., Leyland VAC: 2000031462
As a nursery apprentice, you will have the opportunity to observe childcare workers in the nursery as they teach, communicate and play with the little ones.

Accounts Apprenticeship, Flourish Finance Ltd., Chorley VAC2000036216
Initially you will be completing bank reconciliations, processing purchase ledger, processing journals and general office admin duties.

Level 3

Assistant Accountant Apprentice, McGinty Demack Ltd., Standish VAC: 2000036045
You will gain hands on experience while working towards a professional qualification. The work will involve some admin duties as well as commercial activities.

Business Administration Apprenticeship, Cogent Hire Ltd., Chorley VAC: 2000036570
You will gain experience supporting case managers, handling customer communications and assisting with IT support.

Apprentice Purchasing Administrator, NSG Environmental Ltd, Chorley VAC: 2000034536
You will carry out procurement administration tasks, maintaining records and assisting with low-risk purchasing under supervision.

Nursery Apprentice, St. Mary's RC Primary School, Chorley VAC: 2000034459
You will support learning activities, assisting in the development of skills that support pupils' learning and supporting children with additional needs.

Apprentice Trainee Transmission Linesman, Advantage NRG Ltd., Chorley VAC2000033919
You will undergo comprehensive training in the construction, maintenance and refurbishment of high voltage steel tower transmission overhead power lines. This role is fundamental to maintaining the UK's critical infrastructure and demands the highest standards of safety, quality workmanship and productivity.

Don't forget to check out the college apprenticeships websites, as well as Training 2000, North Lancs Training Group and Alliance Learning. They all offer apprenticeships in different areas.

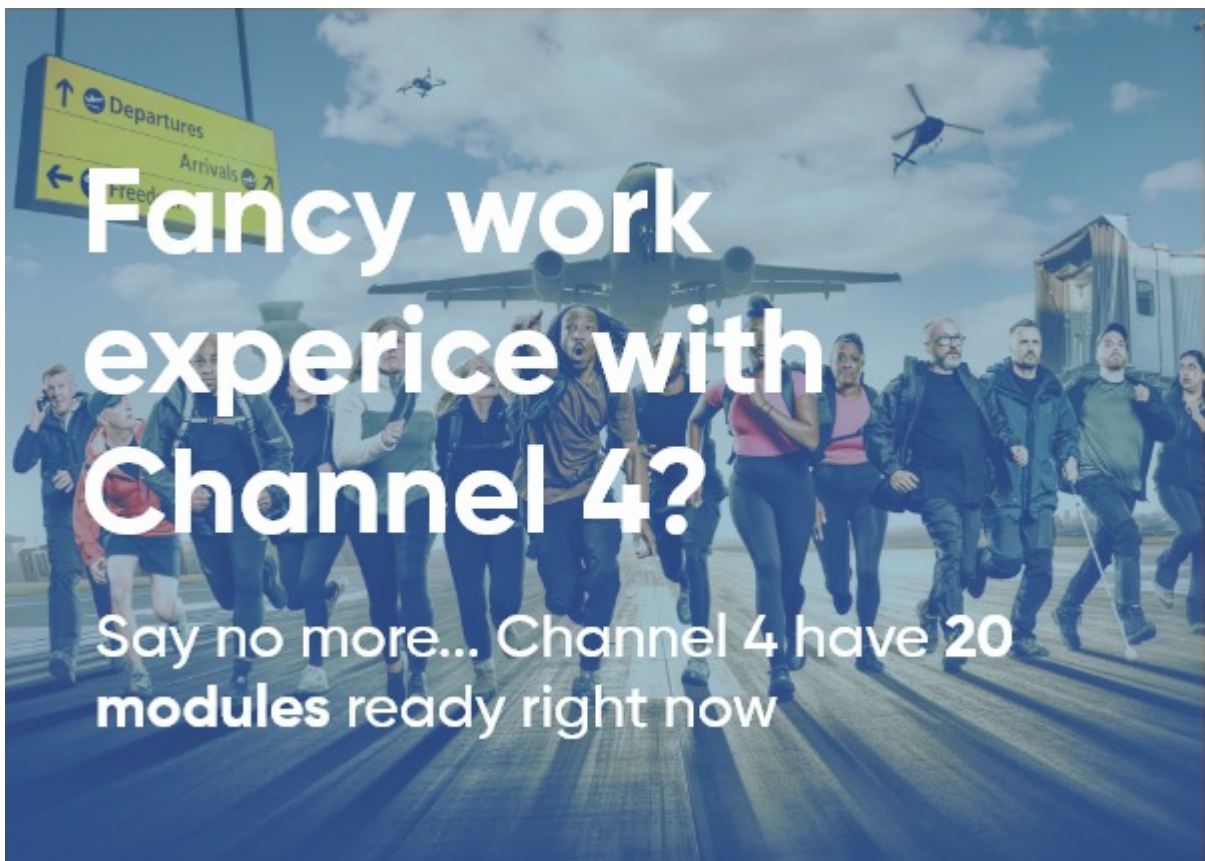
Apprenticeships are paid jobs that combine hands-on work experience with off-the-job study. You earn a wage while learning industry-specific skills and working toward a nationally recognized qualification, with at least 20% of your working hours dedicated to classroom or training provider study.

Key Features

Earn a Salary: You are an official employee with holiday pay and standard employment rights.

Learn While Working: Spend at least 20% of your hours on formal training - either on-site or with a college or university.

Tuition-Free: Your training costs are fully covered by the employer or government funding.



Fancy work experience with Channel 4?

Say no more... Channel 4 have **20
modules** ready right now

Skills Work Experience

**Experience careers in the TV and
Broadcasting industry**

Any career can be a creative career - you just
need to find the right one for you...

And with Channel 4's work experience there are
more than 20 careers for you to explore!

SIGN UP TODAY



There are 2 modules to complete to give you an overview of the industry, this will give you a 'Pass'. You can then start exploring ALL your options!

START LEARNING



Work Experience

A graphic for the 'Work Experience Programme'. It features a dark background with a large white '4' logo in the center. Below the logo, the text 'Work Experience Programme' is written in white. At the bottom, there are three icons: a clock icon with the text '1-2 hours to Pass programme', a certificate icon with the text 'Certificate on completion', and a blue arrow icon pointing right.

Work Experience Programme

1-2 hours
to Pass programme

Certificate
on completion

SIGN UP TODAY

**What you'll experience in
this programme...**

1

A Programme tailored to you

Once you've got the industry overviews under your belt, we help you choose which modules might suit you...

2

Gamified Learning

Level up your knowledge and skills while having fun!

3

Real-life scenarios

See exactly what happens in the TV industry day-to-day and have a go yourself!

Experience life in the creative industry
with

 **Skills**
Work Experience

in partnership with

 **TalentXP**

SIGN UP TODAY

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)

Built To Scroll

Young people aged 11–18 are spending more time online than ever, but are they consuming tech, or is tech consuming them?

This is a national research project, and the data only works if young people from all walks of life are in it. Share the link and help us build the picture.

SHARE OUR SURVEY.



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Get Involved Today

The national conversation about young people and social media is loud, polarised, and largely happening without them in the room. The Build to Scroll survey is crafted to change that. The survey seeks to explore **how technology is designed to keep young people consuming, not creating.**

We want your help to **survey young people** to understand **how technology and social media are really making them feel** – not through the lens of concerned parents or academics, but directly from them.

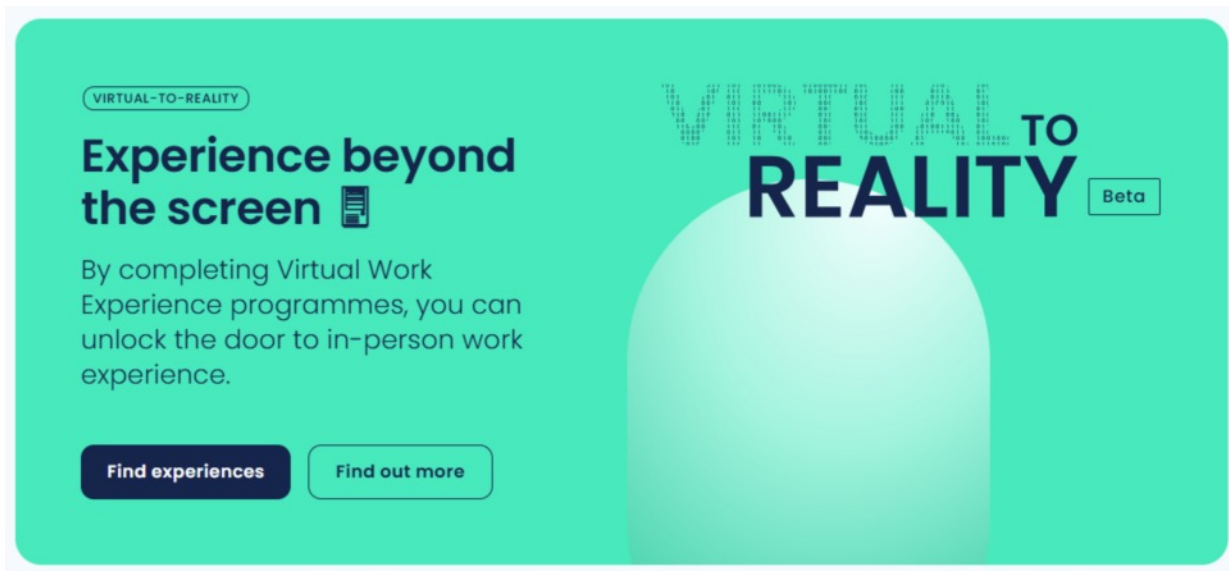
We want to hear students' thoughts on:

- How tech makes them feel daily
- Whether they feel in control of their digital lives
- What they find helpful vs harmful
- What they would design differently if they could

The survey takes just **10 minutes to complete**, and by completing it, students have the chance of winning **one of three £30 ASOS vouchers.**

Access the survey via the button below

[Click Here](#)



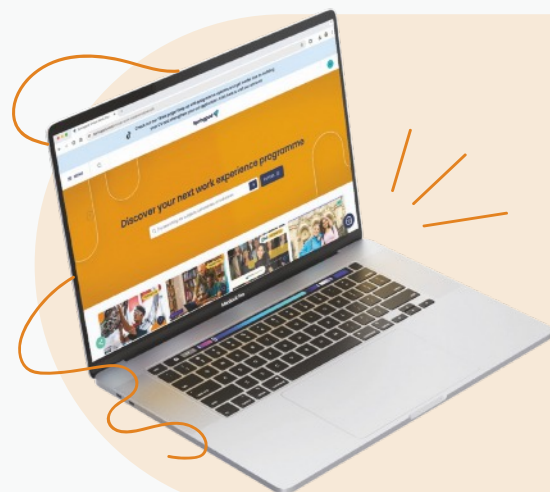
Springpod is a platform that offers virtual work experience, career exploration programmes, and university insight courses for students and young people. The main benefits are:

- Builds your CV and personal statement
- Completing programmes gives you certificates and practical experience you can mention in CVs, UCAS applications, apprenticeship applications, and interviews
- Let's you explore careers before committing
- You can try areas like tech, engineering, fashion, healthcare, business, media, and finance to see what actually interests you.
- Flexible and online
- Most programmes are self-paced, so you can complete them around school, college, or other commitments. Talks are usually recorded if you miss them live
- Gives access to major employers
- Springpod partners with organisations such as BBC, Barclays, Oracle, NHS, and Rolls-Royce, so students can learn directly from industry professionals
- Helps develop employability skills
- The programmes include workplace tasks, projects, quizzes, and simulations that improve skills like communication, problem-solving, teamwork, and resilience
- Good for students without local opportunities
- Because it's virtual, you can access experiences that may not exist near where you live or that would normally require connections or travel
- Can lead to in-person opportunities
- Some "Virtual-to-Reality" programmes can progress into real-life work experience placements if you complete the online programme successfully



FIND OUT MORE HERE

Quick get started guide



1. Go to [Springpod.com](https://springpod.com)
 - ★ Click 'Create Account' in the top right corner
 - ★ Add an email and create a password
2. Complete personal details
 - ★ You don't need to provide a phone number - IGNORE
 - ★ Confirm your communication preferences
3. Enter your verification code (check your junk/spam folders)
4. Confirm your year group
5. Select your school or college
6. Complete information about your background.
 - ★ *You can prefer not to say.*
7. Enter your postcode
 - ★ *You can use your school or college postcode if you prefer*
8. Answer the questions about your interests
9. Search experiences and click start -
<https://www.springpod.com/search>
10. Click on My Virtual Experiences to continue your experience
 - ★ Click on My Achievements to find your certificates

Quick links!



<https://space.springpod.com/sign-up>



<https://space.springpod.com/sign-in>

Industries in the UK with the **Fastest-Growing** Entry Level Salaries in 2026

Top sectors where starting salaries are set to soar in 2026!

 <p>Tech & IT £35,000</p>	 <p>Renewable Energy £33,500</p>	 <p>Cybersecurity £32,000</p>
 <p>Healthcare £31,000</p>	 <p>E-Commerce £30,500</p>	 <p>Construction £30,000</p>

Get ready to launch your career in one of these booming fields!

High Demand | Growth Potential | Great Benefits



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Training 2000

APPRENTICESHIP VACANCIES

IAS Associates LTD
Apprentice Accounts Assistant
Blackburn
£320.00 per week
Accountancy

UK Shutters and Doors Ltd
Apprentice Accounts Assistant
Nelson
£320.00 per week
Accountancy

Architectural Fibreglass Mouldings Ltd
Office Administrator
Accrington
£320.00 per week
Business Admin

Symbiotic Care Ltd
Administrator Apprentice
Blackburn
£280.00 per week
Business Admin

Southport Road Dental Practice
Apprentice Dental Nurse
Chorley
£288.00 per week
Dental

Airtech AMG
Apprentice Maintenance Engineer
Blackburn
£302.00 per week
Engineering

Global Bakery Solutions
Engineering Apprentice - Mechanical
Nelson
£304.00 per week
Engineering

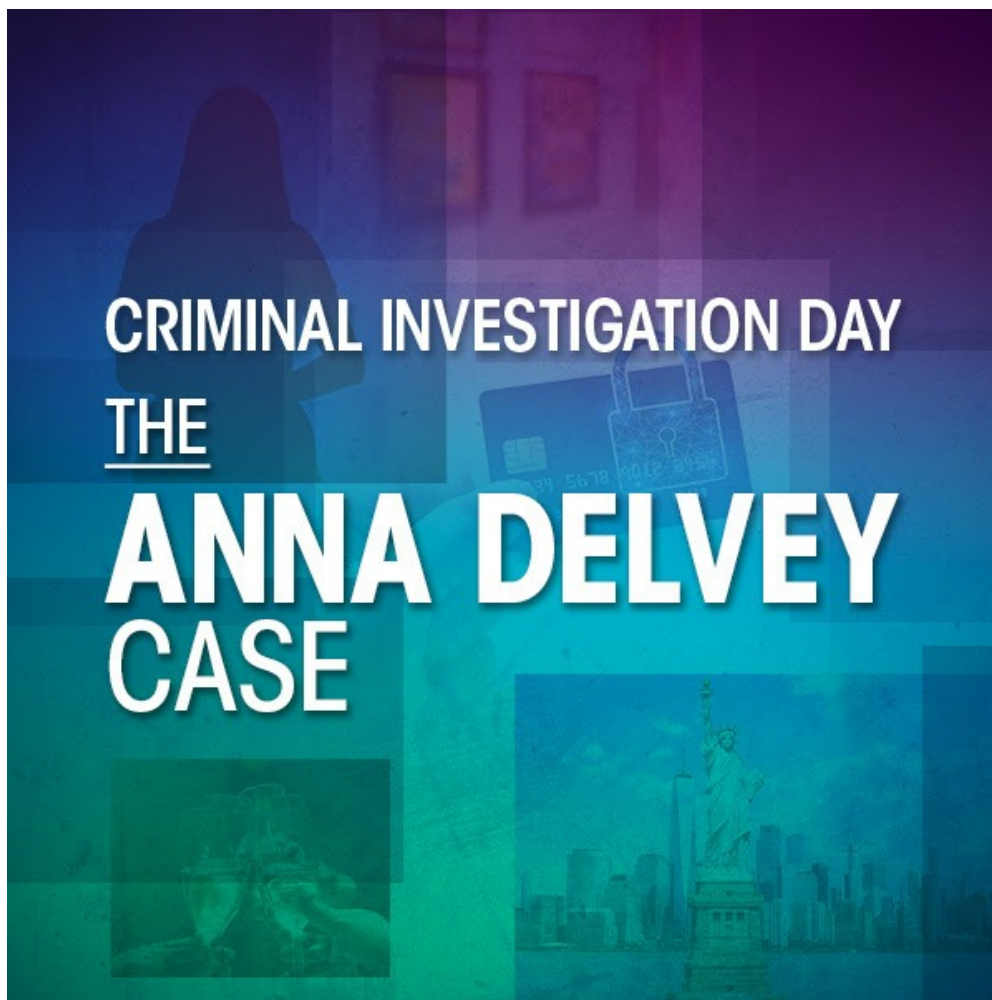
Global Bakery Solutions
Engineering Apprentice - Electrical Fitting
Nelson
£304.00 per week
Engineering

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Correct as 9th June 2025

DEVELOPING TALENT THROUGH TRAINING

**Some really good opportunities available through Training 2000.
Check out their website for further details and the application forms.**



Criminal Investigation Day: Anna Delvey

30th June 4pm - 5:30pm

Explore the case of Anna Delvey's fraud, examining deception, legal consequences, and cross-jurisdictional law, while developing analytical skills through real-world insight into white-collar crime and criminal justice strategy.

Step inside the world of Anna Delvey, the notorious socialite who fooled New York's elite with a carefully crafted false identity. This case study examines her elaborate fraud, the people she deceived, and the legal consequences that followed, whilst exploring how similar criminal acts are treated across different jurisdictions, including the UK. Join us to gain hands-on experience dissecting the psychology, criminology, and legal strategies behind the case, whilst sharpening your analytical and problem-solving skills. Perfect for any future lawyers who want a real-world glimpse into the high-stakes world of white-collar crime.

[Book Here](#)

Dear Parents & Guardians,

Runshaw College Year 10 Sampling Taster Day: Important Parent/Guardian Information

Over a 3-week period in June and July, we will be welcoming more than 5000 Year 10 students from 42 High Schools, and we are delighted that your child will be one of them!

Our goal is to inspire and inform your child about the exciting opportunities available here at Runshaw. By participating in the taster day, they will gain insights into their potential career, meet fellow students from other High Schools and experience our vibrant student community.

Your child will have, or will soon have, chosen the subjects they wish to take on the day and a unique timetable for them will have been created. Please scan the QR code to see the information that your child will be receiving about the day.

Event Details:

- Date: 2nd July
- Time: 9.00 AM to end of the school day



Planned Timetable for the Day:

- 1. Pick up from School (9:00 AM onwards)**
- 2. Welcome Assembly (9:50 AM - 10:20 AM):** A friendly welcome and then pupils guided to Lesson 1.
- 3. Two 50 minute Lessons (10:20 AM - 12:10 PM):** Our teachers will lead these fun, interactive sessions.
- 4. Lunch (12:15 PM – 1:05 PM):** Students will all receive a lunch voucher and enjoy a delicious lunch in one of our many excellent Campus outlets.
- 5. One 50 minute Afternoon Lesson (1:10 PM – 2:00 PM)**
- 6. Farewell Assembly (time permitting) and catching the bus back to School (2.15 PM)**

Thank you for your support with this Taster Day and please feel free to reach out directly to me using the contact information below if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Please do also watch the video by scanning the QR code above.

With Warmest Regards,

Gillian Cahill, Senior Admissions Tutor

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We would like to inform you of our upcoming Girls in STEM event, taking place on **Saturday 20th June, 10:00 - 14:00**. The event is an opportunity for any female & non-binary students to join us here at LUSoM and celebrate some inspiring women in STEM and take part in a carousel of activities. We will be joined by guest speaker Eugenia Cheng, who is over from Chicago for a limited time this summer.

Please follow the link below if you are interested. This is an event for students to book themselves, they will receive a booking confirmation email upon submission of their booking.

[**Click here to book**](#)

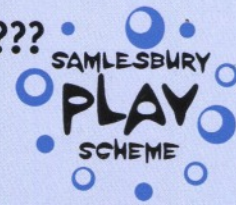
We look forward to hopefully having some of your students in attendance. The deadline for interested students to book is 09:00am, Wednesday 10th June.



LANCASTER UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS



What are you doing with your summer???



Why not become a volunteer?!

We are looking for young people to volunteer as Play Leaders on the UK's largest Playschemes of their kind this summer.

To get involved go to- www.playscheme.org/volunteer

Why Volunteer?

- Looks great to future employers and universities
- Give something back to the community
- Develop your team & leadership skills

and most of all **It's great fun!**

- Full basic training given
- Access to additional training
- Enhanced DBS Clearance free
- Accredited volunteering hours
- **FUN!!!**

How do I get involved?

Simply book onto ONE of our Play Leadership training days held in Leyland, Preston, Chorley & Blackburn on dates throughout June.

You will also need to attend our Skills Training Day in July

For this years dates and to get involved just go to

www.playscheme.org/volunteer

Year 10 had an assembly last week with Chris from Leyland Playscheme, talking about the importance of volunteering. It doesn't just help with confidence, it shows that a young person can take initiative, develop leadership skills, work as part of a team, be resilient, creative, caring - all the qualities that employers are looking for, and that are hard to evidence without a scheme such as this.

All travel to and from the Playscheme and events is free, there are social events for the playleaders and young people get to join in all the activities.

This scheme has been running for well over 25 years and is the largest playscheme in the UK. Taking part looks great on CVs and application forms for colleges, universities or employment in the future.

[CLICK HERE](http://www.playscheme.org/volunteer) for more details on how to take part

NEWMAN

CARDINAL
NEWMAN
COLLEGE

FEST

WEDNESDAY 1ST JULY 2026

**Check your emails
for the booking link!*

*CONDITIONAL OFFER HOLDERS ONLY



Parent Questions Answered: Life After School

Following our recent webinar on life after school, we were struck by the sheer volume of questions we received from parents. It is clear that families are looking for more support than ever when it comes to navigating the transition from school to the professional world, and that this preparation must begin while students are still in the classroom.

To help you support your parent community, we have produced a new report: 'The Ultimate Parents' Guide to Life After School'. This resource provides families with insights and practical takeaways to help their children make informed career decisions.

[VIEW REPORT](#)

The Ultimate Parents' Guide to Life After School

The report offers families a comprehensive look at the professional world today, featuring:

- The options and pathways available to students
- The rise of AI and advanced technology
- How to engage in career-focused conversations with your child
- Advice from our network of industry professionals
- Top tips for parents & carers





BOLTON
COLLEGE



After a successful roll out of our Evening Taster Sessions, we are pleased to again invite your Year 10 and Year 11 students to attend taster sessions at **Bolton College** on **Thursday 18th June**. These sessions provide an excellent opportunity for learners to explore potential career paths and experience college life first-hand.

Students can book up to two sessions per person:

- **Session 1: 5:00pm - 6:00pm**
- **Session 2: 6:15pm - 7:15pm**

Places are limited and we encourage your students to book sooner rather than later to ensure they successfully claim a place in their chosen taster area(s).

Available taster sessions cover the following areas:

- Art & Design
- Barbering
- Beauty Therapy
- Brickwork
- Business
- Carpentry & Joinery
- Catering & Hospitality
- Creative Media
- Design, surveying and planning
- Digital
- Early Years
- Electrical Installation
- Engineering
- Esports
- Foundation Studies
- Hairdressing
- Health & Social Care
- Motor Vehicle
- Plastering
- Plumbing
- Public Services
- Science
- Sport
- Textiles
- Travel & Tourism

The following booking link will allow students to reserve their places:

TASTER SESSIONS BOOKING LINK



BOLTON
COLLEGE

YOUTH FUTURES YEAR 11 LEAVER EVENT

**FINISHED Y11 & UNSURE WHAT NEXT?
NEED SOME ADVICE OR SUPPORT?**

**No appointment needed – just drop in! Can't attend?
Get in touch using the details below.**

We can help you with;

- Your next steps
- Getting into education
- Finding work
- Building your confidence
- Boosting your skills

Let's work together to figure out your next steps!

DROP IN



Chorley Tatton Community
Centre - PR6 0FJ



Monday 24th August
12-4pm

CONTACT US



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[https://padlet.com/youthfutures/
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Scan the QR Code
for more details on
events, booklets,
and resources!



Why choose the Preston Centre of Sporting Excellence?

- Three different vocational levels for 16 to 19 year olds
- Lessons are delivered at Preston College; sports hall, 3G pitch, fitness suites and classrooms
- High level of competition in football with the opportunity to represent Preston College and Preston North End Community and Education Trust (PNECET)
- Work experience opportunities with PNECET
- Assessed through the completion of a portfolio, formal assignments, presentations, in class tests and practical assessments
- A progression pathway into higher education with the University of South Wales, scholarships or employment
- Dedicated recruitment team to support any application or interest



Scan the QR code to complete our
expression of interest form or for further information

 john.lee@pne.com

Applications for entry September 2026
open on October 1st 2025

MENTORVERSE

For students in the 10-11 year groups, we present the following avenues:

- Free NHS Virtual Work Experience
- Free Volunteering Placements with the 'You Okay Doc?'
- Free National Study Skills E-learning
- Free Virtual Medical/Dental Society Webinars
- Free Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion E-learning Course for Healthcare Professionals

Your students can access these extracurricular opportunities by signing up for a free student portal:

Medical: <https://medicmentor.org/the-medic-mentor-portal-2/>

Dental: <https://dental-mentor.org/the-medic-mentor-portal-2/>



Enrolling as a bronze pathway student, you can

- Access free work experience each month
- Get access to zoom links for all of our free conferences and meetings
- Access the Wider Reading and Virtual Medical Societies
- Participate in Fundraising
- Download all of your Medic Mentor certificates
- Access Study Skills E-learning
- Access how to advance to other Pathways

Scan to
register!

LIVE!

FREE

Get Into Medicine.

CONFERENCE

One of our doctors (Chief Mentors) will take you step-by-step through your application to medical school.

This includes:

- Application Timelines
- Interview Training
- Personal Statements
 - CV Building
 - UCAT Exams
 - Extracurriculars
- 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!

Understanding the pivotal role that work experience plays in shaping a student's perspective on their future career, we're delighted to extend an invitation to your students to participate in our FREE 6-month medical or 4-month dental virtual work experience programme.

Aiming to provide students with insights into the medical and dental fields, this free virtual work experience empowers students to make informed decisions about their future.

Students aged 14 and above are eligible to apply for a placement for FREE through these links:

Medicine: <https://medicmentor.org/university-hospitals-birmingham-trust-virtual-work-experience/>

Dentistry: <https://dental-mentor.org/university-hospitals-birmingham-trust-virtual-work-experience/>

Virtual work experience has been recognised by the Medical Schools and Dental Schools Council as a valuable substitute for in-person shadowing. This endorsement is underpinned by the Health Education England Discovery report, which highlights the positive impact of virtual work placements.

This virtual experience not only serves as a dependable alternative to traditional shadowing but also plays a pivotal role in equipping students with the necessary skills for their in-person work placements. In 2024, these 6-month medical and 4-month dental work experience programmes facilitated over 30,000 secondary school students in accessing complimentary work experience opportunities. Through structured instruction and direct engagement with healthcare professionals, students are well-prepared for their future endeavours.

Crafted in collaboration with Birmingham Universities Hospitals Trust and built with the flexibility of an E-learning format, participants can navigate their placements at their own pace, exploring vital topics like ethics, procedures, and broader team roles. This virtual experience not only enhances students' UCAS applications, but also strategically prepares them for the practical challenges and opportunities ahead.

Taking part in the Virtual Work Experience will provide:

- **Comprehensive Insights:** The programme covers a range of specialities, providing a deep understanding of medical and dental practices. Each month, a new focus area is introduced, allowing participants to delve into different aspects of the field.
- **Flexible Participation:** Tailored for students from years 10-11, the programme accommodates various schedules by being virtual. Participants have one month to complete each specialty, ensuring flexibility and ease of participation.
- **Recognised Certification:** Upon successful completion of all sessions, students will receive a certificate from Medic Mentor and UHB, validating their active participation which they can include in their UCAS and apprenticeships applications.

***The new speciality on General Practice or
Public Health & Oral Pathology is available now.***

Registering for these programmes is simple - students just need to complete the free online application form:

Aspiring Medics: <https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shrGJUAtigzZzDwTN>

Aspiring Dentists: <https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shr1YAbWctfkXarfQ>

Previously successful Medical students:

<https://medicmentor.org/successful-student-journeys-reviews/>

Previously successful Dental students:

<https://dental-mentor.org/successful-student-journeys-reviews/>

From Secondary School Student to Medical Scholarship Student: a step-by-step guide on getting into medical school successfully: <https://medicmentor.org/become-a-medic-mentor-student-2/>



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Get Into Dentistry.

CONFERENCE

One of our dentists (Chief Mentors) will take you step-by-step through your application to dental school.

This includes:

- Application Timelines
- Interview Training
- Personal Statements
 - CV Building
- Entrance Exam: UCAT
 - Extracurriculars
- 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!



Follow multiple patients over a 6-month period, as they go from their initial injury to recovery. It is amazing how many different healthcare professionals are involved in a patient's care. This incredible opportunity showcases a variety of professionals in one day. It gives students a chance to see them in action in various settings from the ward to the community. It is also a fantastic opportunity to see them work together in a multidisciplinary team.

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 also 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 their healthcare professionals work in a variety of settings, such as hospital and community. For this reason we recommend that students attend one work experience a month for 6 months to not only gain a deeper knowledge of multidisciplinary teams in general but also their chosen careers.

Register here: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>

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

Please ask students to check their spam folders and mark their attendance on the day in order to receive their Work Experience Certificates.

This programme is suitable for students in year groups 10/11 who are interested in the following careers:

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

The sooner students begin work experience, the better. 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.

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

Students will receive certificates as evidence of having participated in the work experience programme. Those that complete the full 5-month programme will also be awarded Highly Commended References.

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/>

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Allied Healthcare Work Experience

Take your first steps into the world of healthcare careers
in our Virtual Allied Healthcare Work Experience.

Meet this month's AHP professional **guest speaker**, from **9 - 10am**, and
then dive into live work experience sessions.

After a compelling talk from our guest speaker about their career and
what they do day to day, you will **dive into live work experience sessions**
from the safety of your home.

Witness the journey of two patients from injury to recovery over 6
months, and experience how many different healthcare professionals
are involved in a patient's care, from hospital all the way through to a
community team.



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CAREER *of the* WEEK

CAD technician

Computer-aided design (CAD) technicians use their engineering, IT and mathematical knowledge and skills to design buildings, machinery, products and parts.

A CAD technician, also known as a draughtsperson, uses CAD software to create technical drawings and plans - also known as draughting - for products and parts used in the engineering, construction and manufacturing industries.

You'll work with architects and design engineers to understand the requirements of their initial designs and turn them into accurate and detailed technical drawings in 2D and 3D models. These drawings are used at all stages of a project, from estimating cost and feasibility to creating the blueprints for manufacturing and instructions for installation.

Alternative job titles include drafter/draftsperson, CAD designer, CAD operator, design technician and engineering technician.

Types of work

CAD technicians typically work in engineering, manufacturing and construction industries, specialising in fields such as mechanical, electrical, structural, control and instrumentation or piping design.

CAD skills are also valuable in creative industry jobs such as set and interior design.

If you're interested in CAD, you may also be interested in more specialised areas where it's used in other industries such as computer-aided industrial design (CAID), computer-aided engineering (CAE), computer-aided styling (CAS) and computer-aided manufacturing design (CAM).

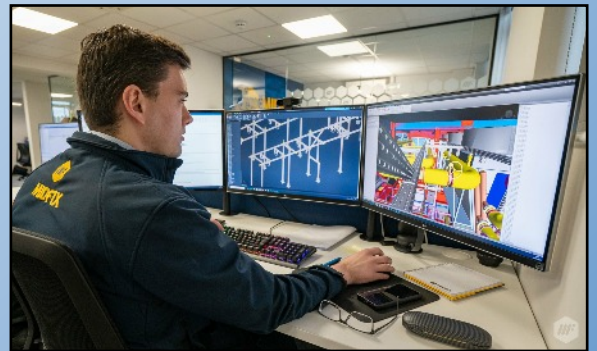
Other related job titles include:

- design technician
- building information modelling (BIM) technician
- architectural technician
- graphic designer
- product designer
- engineering or industrial designer
- building services technician

Responsibilities

As a CAD technician/draughtsperson, you'll need to:

- create high-quality detailed technical drawings and plans based on designs supplied by architects and designers and make modifications to existing drawings
- use a variety of CAD software programmes to create designs in 2D and 3D models, with 3D modelling you may use model-based definition (MBD) to include all necessary data to manufacture the part or assembly
- liaise with architects, engineers and designers to understand their design requirements and provide technical advice to manufacturing and construction technicians
- provide accurate, detailed and to scale drawings
- ensure drawings are compliant with industry and health and safety standards and protocols
- calculate costs and apply knowledge of materials and engineering principles to check feasibility of manufacture and construction of the product
- conduct site visits and surveys when required
- present working drawings for use in all stages of the project, tender, manufacture/construction and installation
- produce installation and manufacturing documentation
- maintain accurate records



[For more information click here](#)