

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

Lots of really informative and useful events highlighted in this week's Career News, so settle down with a cup of tea and see which ones you would like to take part in!

GT Scholars are offering a free online Careers Summit, with some top employers and universities, to help young people achieve their goals and aspirations. Open to students from Year 8 - 11 (plus parents/carers) this is an event that requires prior registration (link sent out via Edulink earlier in the week).



The Apprenticeship Guide is focusing on careers using maths - there are so many opportunities, not just maths teacher or accountant!

QA.com are offering a series of free workshops in coding, programming and web development, so get involved. Suitable for any age and level of experience.

If you are thinking about a career in law or business, but are not quite sure what that might involve - then play one of the exciting games from the University of Law! You could even win an iPad or AirPods.

For any Year 11s who are intent on following an engineering pathway, have a look at the Engineering Experience at Loughborough University, one of the largest engineering universities in the UK.

Medic Mentor and Allied Healthcare Mentor are both featured in this edition. They both offer a fantastic virtual work experience programme and Dr Kennedy is also inviting students to take part in the Medical Awards Programme - vital for aspiring medical, dental and veterinary students.

Runshaw have their final open evening of the year - if you haven't yet been for a look around - don't miss it!

Pathway have a number of fantastic sessions on offer: Alternatives to A Levels, Careers in Finance and Women in Finance as well as a drop in session with Max, Student Support expert.

Young Professionals are showcasing careers events with some of the biggest employers in the world - Pinsent Masons, multinational law firm; PwC, one of the largest accountancy and professional services firms; and Kuehne & Nagel, one of the world's leading logistics companies.

Wigan & Leigh College are showcasing their Police Enrichment Programme for students interested in a career in the police but there are limited spaces on the course, so don't miss out. However, if you see yourself as more of a private eye - then there is now an apprenticeship for that! Check out the article for more information on this new apprenticeship.

Blackburn College are offering free creative arts taster sessions for Year 10 and 11 students. These take place at the college, from 4-5pm every Tuesday in March and cover Graphics, Gaming, Textiles, Art & Design and Photography.

There are a number of virtual STEM Careers Fairs on offer for anyone aged 13 or above - find out what kind of career you could have in the STEM world.

AllAboutSchoolLeavers have a series of virtual sessions with top employers, such as BT, Astra Zeneca and Rolls Royce - reserve your place and find out more about the possible careers you could enjoy.

Finally, as always, bringing up the rear are apprenticeship vacancies in the local area and Career of the Week.





GT Scholars Online Careers Summit Coming Soon!

GT Scholars is hosting a free, online Careers Summit that will offer young people the opportunity to explore careers in various industries including Technology, Medicine, Finance, Engineering and many more! This year's online Careers summit is sponsored by BRIT Insurance and our keynote speaker will be Caroline Darker, Head of Talent Development at BRIT Insurance. Our speakers for the summit will be from a range of universities and corporate organisations such as Barclays, NHS, University College London, Charlotte Tilbury Beauty, The Penny Group, ExTrac, the University of Birmingham and BRIT Insurance.

GT Scholars is all about helping young people to achieve their goals and aspirations. That's why we're really passionate about our online Careers Summit! We're also constantly looking for ways to share opportunities with our community, giving them additional tools to help young people gain access to top-notch career advice and support.





SATURDAY 5TH MARCH 2022

9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Learn from professionals from a range of universities and corporate organisations such as Barclays, NHS, University College London,
The Penny Group, ExTrac, the University of Birmingham and BRIT Insurance

Open to Parents and Young People aged 13 to 18

https://careersummit.gtscholars.org

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Apprenticeships to consider if your favourite subject is maths



If your favourite subject is maths and you are thinking of developing these skills within your career, there is a broad range of apprenticeships open to you.

Maths can provide you with a set of transferable skills that are applicable to a wide range of careers such as engineering, architect, teacher, economist, accountant or data analyst.

During your apprenticeship, you could develop skills in finance, research and analytical thinking.

Here is a selection of apprenticeships on offer that all have a focus on the subject of maths.

Accounts assistant: You'll help assist a team of accountants with junior accounting duties, such as basic bookkeeping, recording of cash and data entry. The duration is 12 months and you'll achieve a level 2 apprenticeship upon completion.

Actuary: As an actuary, you'll use mathematical skills to measure the probability and risk of future events, and their financial impact. The duration is 36 months and you'll achieve a level 7 degree apprenticeship upon completion.

Air traffic controller: You'll direct aircraft, both on the ground and through controlled airspace, to prevent collisions and deliver a safe service. The duration is 15 months and you'll achieve a level 5 apprenticeship upon completion.

Bioinformatics scientist: As a bioinformatics scientist, you'll apply analytical and data mining techniques to a range of problems in the life sciences. The duration is 30 months and you'll achieve a level 7 degree apprenticeship upon completion.

Chartered surveyor: You'll provide advice and recommendations to clients regarding land, property or construction. The duration is 60 months and you'll achieve a level 6 apprenticeship upon completion.

Civil engineer: As a civil engineer apprentice, you'll provide technical and management input to develop design solutions for complex civil engineering problems. The duration is 66 months and you'll achieve a level 6 degree apprenticeship upon completion.

Clinical coder: You'll help translate medical information from patient records in hospitals into alphanumeric codes. The duration is 18 months and you'll achieve a level 3 apprenticeship upon completion.

Data scientist: Spanning maths and statistics, software engineering and communications, as a data scientist you'll find information in diverse datasets to address complex problems. The duration is 36 months and you'll achieve a level 6 degree apprenticeship upon completion.

Financial adviser: You'll give clients specialist advice on how to manage their money as you work towards achieving professional qualifications. The duration is 24 months and you'll achieve a level 4 apprenticeship upon completion.





Kickstart your tech skills development at Teach the Nation to Code

Free, online, one day training workshops that are specifically designed to help you develop the essential skills needed within digital and technology. Upon completion of either workshop, you will receive a Certificate of Achievement and Social Badge to show off your newly acquired skills.

Upcoming free workshops

Programming Workshop I 26 February 2022

As the world enters further into the digital age, software programming skills have become highly desirable. This enlightening workshop will give you the confidence and basic knowledge to start learning how to code, how to work with basic data structures and so much more!

Find out more

Web Development Workshop I 12 March 2022

Go behind the scenes, learning the functions of what encompasses successful web applications, eventually creating your very own website. Don't miss this opportunity to access indispensable knowledge and enhance your digital capabilities.

Find out more

The workshops are delivered virtually by our industry experts in a way that is easy to understand, regardless of background and level of experience. And, if you have any questions, please get in touch with us at qacttntc@qa.com

Looking forward to seeing you there!



Are you interested in Law or Business?

Whether you want to be an Instagrammer, an accountant, a lawyer or an entrepreneur, business is at the heart of some of the most exciting careers, but knowing where to start is hard.

What about a lawyer, police officer or criminologist?

Don't worry, The University of Law have TWO exciting games to help you see where your strengths lie and where you'll excel.

Try the business game or murder mystery game now and see how you get on. More than 350,000 people just like you have found business is right for them and are currently studying business courses in the UK.

That many people can't be wrong.

PLAY THE GAME NOW. Win an iPad mini or one of 40 other top prizes.

Play the Business Challenge Now!

Play the Murder Mystery Game now!



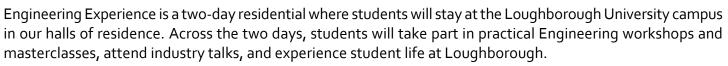




Engineering Experience 2022

Date: 6th and 7th July 2022

Audience: Year 11 students



Interested students will need to complete an application outlining why they would benefit from taking part in the event, with applications closing on 14th April 2022. Applications for our popular engineering residential, Engineering Experience, are now open!



Engineering Experience 2022

Who are Loughborough University?

Loughborough is one of the largest engineering universities in the UK offering courses from its foundation in 1909. With fantastic facilities, strong links to industry and the best student experience spanning the last 10 years, we are thrilled to be running our engineering residential, Engineering Experience 2022, aimed at helping Year 11 students experience what Loughborough University and an engineering career have to offer.

What is Engineering Experience 2022?

Engineering Experience 2022 is a two day residential where successful applicants will stay on the Loughborough University campus in halls of residence and can choose four practical workshops and two industry talks. Each session will be run by our academics or an expert in industry and applicants are encouraged to pick subjects that they may not have considered before.

The event will include:

- Workshops delivered by our academics, researchers and expert alumni in industry
- Content to help you explore different types of engineering and the careers they provide
- Content to help you explore the different courses on offer at one of the largest engineering universities in the UK
- One night in student halls of residence and meals
- Sessions with current students for any questions about student life and living at Loughborough University.

Who is the event for?

Year 11 students who want to find out more about studying engineering at university.

Why would you want to come?

- Experience university life
- Understand the wide range of engineering topics available to you
- Hear inspiring talks from industry experts
- Enhance your personal statement and CV
- Have fun!





A quick reminder that the NHS Allied Work Experience Programme is still available for students in years 10 and 11, running one weekend a month.

Students who wish to participate can register individual spaces on the following link: https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/

All students will be awarded with a Work Experience Certificate for participating in the day. This is something that they can include in their UCAS and Apprenticeship Applications. The next Work Experience day will cover the following healthcare careers:

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

The virtual work experience day will take place through an online portal and run LIVE from 10am-5pm, following 2 patients from their initial accidents through to recovery. Students will see them interact with a variety of healthcare professionals listed above so that they develop an understanding of the multidisciplinary team as well as insights into their own chosen career.

Students will also have the opportunity to interact with the healthcare professionals via a LIVE Chat function and polls throughout the day!

The cost to attend is £10/student per session, which is just an administrative cost to cover the set-up of individual portals, personalised certificates, safeguarding, the technology on the day, such as our servers and chat functions.







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Open Event at our Leyland Campus Wednesday 2nd March 3.30-7.30pm

Please note this is a Registration Only Event. Register online at:

www.runshaw.ac.uk/openevent



Booking for the final Open Evening of the year is now open!

Wednesday 2nd March, from 3.30 - 7.30pm

Click here to book your place





Saturday 26th February 10am – 11am YOUR Alternatives to A Levels

Don't want to do A-Levels? Join us hear what your post-16 options are!

Join us for a session all about YOUR options post-16! There are fantastic alternatives to A-Levels out there, and we want to help you pinpoint the option that would work best for you! Whether it's full time work, an apprenticeship, or just about anything else, we've got you covered. We will walk you through the Apprenticeship levels 2 & 3, as well as go over what full-time work can look like post-16. The goal of this session is to help YOU, so make sure to come with any questions you may have.

Sign up: https://pathwayctm.com/event/post-16-school-leaver-options/



Wednesday 2nd March 4.30pm – 5.30pm Ask me anything session with Max

Join us for weekly sessions with Max! Max is our Outreach and Student Support expert, and has years of experience in guiding people through applications, interviews, CV and cover letter help, and so much more. If you're thinking about applying for an apprenticeship, want to learn more about your options, or have any questions at all about your future, these weekly sessions are where you need to be! Join any of the weekly "drop-in" sessions to get your questions answered.

Sign up: https://pathwayctm.com/event/ask-me-anything-session-with-max-3/



Thursday 3rd March 6pm – 7pm Roles and Opportunities with UBS

Have you ever thought about a career in Finance?

If you have, this is the event for you! UBS offers apprenticeship roles in asset management, wealth management, global markets, finance, and more – and they want you to be a part of their team! Join us to hear directly from senior-staff and current apprentices about their journeys into UBS, and get your questions answered about their company and programmes. If you think a career in finance may be for you, this is not an event to miss!

Sign up: https://pathwayctm.com/event/34613/



Wednesday 9th March 6pm – 7pm Women in Finance Q&A Panel with ICAEW

Come along to this virtual 1hr session to hear from an inspiring panel of women in finance, from a range of brands across the UK!

This session will be led by ICAEW and current finance apprentices to answer any questions you may have about careers in finance, the different routes into finance, the application process, and more.

We will be encouraging you to make the most of the session and unmute yourselves so that you can engage in an open discussion with the live panel of team members from multiple brands about any questions, comments or concerns you might have! We will still have the chat box open for questions as well if you feel more comfortable communicating that way.

Sign up: https://pathwayctm.com/event/women-in-finance-ga-panel-with-icaew/

We have 3 fantastic virtual careers insight evenings/work experience opportunities with 3 different global brands for students coming up which we wanted to share with you. The opportunities are in: Law, Accountancy/Professional Services and Business/Logistics and are all free to join.

Law - Pinsent Masons

On **Wednesday 2nd March** from 5:00pm - 6:00pm we're hosting an exclusive insight event to world-renowned law firm, Pinsent Masons. This is their first ever exclusive event as they open their virtual doors to show us what it's like working for their organisation.

Pinsent Masons is a multinational law firm with over 1,500 lawyers operating from 27 locations throughout Europe, Asia Pacific, the Middle East and Africa.

As part of the online insight event Pinsent Masons will be sharing with us more on their upcoming work experience programme open to 16-19 year olds from across the UK and Ireland

Registration Link: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Pinsent-Masons-Law

Accountancy/Professional Services - PwC

PwC is now open for their Summer Virtual Insight Week which is designed for all Y12 / S5 students to take part in a series of online activities and webinars over the summer break. PwC is one of the largest accountancy and professional services firms in the world and they are opening up their doors for students to get an incredible insight into the work they do and how they can ultimately kick start their early careers at PwC.

On **Thursday 3rd March**, 5pm - 6pm we will be holding an exclusive online webinar where students can find out more on PwC's Insight Week, how to apply and ask any questions they might have about applying. This opportunity is for all Y12 / S5 students.

Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN J4C19c8QSn-slkhR0F1 7Q



Business/Logistics - Kuehne+Nagel Group

On **Wednesday 9th March** from 5:00pm - 6:00pm, we're hosting a virtual careers insight event with one of the world-renowned logistics companies, Kuehne+Nagel.

With over 74,000 employees at 1,400 locations in over 100 countries and global revenues of \$20 billion, the Kuehne+Nagel Group is one of the world's leading logistics companies. They provide logistics services to virtually all key industry sectors including Aerospace, Automotive, High Tech, Drinks, Event and Hotel logistics, Forest Products, Marine logistics and Food services as well as Industry.

Come and learn more about the movement of goods from their source through all the various parties until they reach your Christmas Tree on Christmas Day.

Some of their recent apprentices now work in senior management roles in New York City and Hong Kong. Find out more about the career paths within this huge exciting business.

Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN PxY3cPtUR4ymxLgrV0JKFA

Feel free to sign up for as many events as you like. Once you have registered you will receive a Zoom link in your email inbox.

We also post all of our future careers events on our Instagram and Twitter pages @youngprouk so follow us there to keep up to date with all our coming opportunities.





An exclusive programme for public services students interested in following a career in the police or preparing for Special Constabulary roles.

The only college enrichment programme of its type in the region.

Delivered by policing professionals the Enrichment Programme will prepare you with skills for higher level study and covers:

- Search laws relating to people and property
- Arrest procedures and conflict management
- Scenario training and response
- Uniform standards

Only 15 places available for public services students starting in 2022.

Apprenticeships vacancies are available across England and in a variety of industries and sectors including this one for a Private Detective!

Take a look at our top picks to apply for in March 2022 and begin your career

Expected duration: 15

months

search today. Private detective Company: Answers Investigations, Guildford

Annual wage: £14,000 - £19,000

Details: During this level 3 apprenticeship you'll learn the trade of a private eye. Based in Surrey, you'll learn the spectrum of private investigative work, gain experience in providing services for corporate, legal and private clients, such as in surveillance, process serving and tracing. You'll work as part of a team, building internal and external relationships.

Closing date: 6 March 2022

Possible start date: 14 March 2022

Apply: findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk



Creative Arts Carouse 4-5pm every Tuesday in March

Free taster sessions Year 10 and 11 pupils

Join us each week for a free taster session in the range of subjects offered in Creative Arts at Blackburn College.

Week 1 1st March Graphics (only 15 places)

Week 2 8th March Gaming - Character Design

Week 3 15th March Textiles

Week 4 22nd March Art and Design

Week 5 29th March Photography



Contact Sarah Greenwood by email to book your place: sarah.greenwood@blackburn.ac.uk

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Celebrating a decade of VFX Festivals

We're pleased to announce the annual VFX Festival is back for 2022!

As always, we have an event packed full of FREE, exciting and informative sessions delivered by a range of experienced industry professionals.

Join us online to introduce your students to one of the fastest growing sectors! Whether they're interested in studying Film, TV, Art, IT or even Data Science, there is a place in this industry that will suit them.

The VFX Festival EDU

Date: 08/03/22

Time: 10am - 4pm

Location: Live Online

Register now



What is the VFX Festival?

This event aims to inspire school and college students by introducing them to the Creative industries and all the opportunities they hold.

Our alumni go on to work on blockbuster productions, most recently including Avengers: Endgame, Venom: Let There Be Carnage, Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker and No Time To Die - it's an exciting career to pursue!



Who will be speaking?

Industry professionals from Framestore will be amongst the many studios joining the event. Framestore are the company behind the animation in Venom: Let There Be Carnage, Tom & Jerry and The King's Man and the VFX in No Time To Die, Spider Man: No Way Home and Don't Look Up (to name just a few!).

Hearing from these experts gives students an exclusive opportunity to learn how to get started in the industry.



Who are Escape Studios?

Escape Studios has been at the forefront of creative education since 2002, supplying the industry with studio-ready talent. Our tutors are industry experts which is why we're leaders in digital arts, ranked 1st in the UK in three categories by The Rookies.

STEM Careers Fairs

Aimed at 13 – 19 year olds, virtual careers fairs inspire and inform; supporting young people to be better prepared for future careers. Each 360 degrees online fair, delivered in partnership with AECOM, contains a selection of industry sectors with companies hosting virtual exhibition stands. Teachers and young people can explore presentations, information, discussion topics and career routes, helping to raise awareness of the many STEM led career opportunities available.





ILLUMINATING CAREERS

Helping young people realise their future career opportunities, this fair showcases 25 national employers from a wide range of sectors offering career pathways in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

Explore virtual stands



CAREERS IN CLIMATE CHANGE

Inspiring, informing and supporting young people to explore the work of those mitigating and adapting to the challenges of climate change. Showcasing career opportunities to continue to develop the green economy across the UK.

Explore virtual stands



APPRENTICESHIPS: EARN WHILE YOU LEARN

Showcasing national employers currently offering apprenticeships across a wide range of sectors. Help young people to recognise available apprenticeship pathways and make better informed decisions about their future.

Explore virtual stands





The Medical Awards Programme - message from Dr. Kennedy

https://medicmentor.co.uk/medic-mentor-awards-programme/

It is designed to help students plan their time and focus on activities that will make them the perfect applicant to medicine. You can download the Awards Mark Scheme below and it will outline exactly what extra-curricular and CV building opportunities they should be focussing on right now in their school year, alongside their academic subjects. This will help to guide them on the right path when they have questions about what activities they should be doing and what activities are perhaps not worth their time.

I have designed the Awards Mark Scheme to reflect what Universities want to see on a UCAS application.

https://medicmentor.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Awards-Prog-Mark-Scheme-2021-2022.pdf

Once students complete the awards programme they will end up with the perfect CV for applying to medicine. The Awards programme is split into three levels depending on year of study:

Year 10 (England) start at Bronze.

Year 12 (England) start at Silver.

Year 13 (England) start at Gold.

Once a student enrols on the programme they will automatically move up a level each academic year, once enrolled they will instantly gain access to an E-learning course that will guide them through the criteria for each level, and they can start uploading their evidence via a Student Portal! In summary, every medical school applicant should be enrolled onto the Medical Awards Programme because:

- 1. It clarifies the 'essential non-academic entry requirements' set by medical schools.
- 2. It gives them access to Mentors for 2 hours every Friday from 3-5pm via Zoom. That is over 100 hours of mentoring by doctors in a year!
- 3. It makes the process more fun and enjoyable.
- 4. It encourages them to keep track of all of their evidence, to make it easier to submit to medical schools when they ask for it.
- 5. It gives them a national medical award to put on their CV, recognising their incredible extra and para-curricular achievements.
- 6. It gives them a chance to be considered for the only national medical scholarship programme worth up to £12,000

Watch myself and Dr Siva talk more about the programme by clicking on the link below: https://medicmentor.co.uk/medic-mentor-awards-programme/

At Medic Mentor we are all about making the application process to medicine as stress free as possible for students and teachers!



Apprenticeship events

March-April 2022

Attend virtual sessions!

AllAboutSchoolLeavers is hosting a variety of virtual apprenticeship events with a range of employers throughout March and April 2022. Learn more about the opportunities available to you and register for these events now!

Simply browse the events and then click 'Reserve My Spot' to register for the event.

We'll then send you access information closer to the time.

RESERVE YOUR PLACE NOW!

The employers you can meet...





MAYER BROWN









L2 Apprentice Carpenter VAC 001826563 (September start) x 2 Barratt Homes, Leyland VAC 001818383 L2 Apprentice Warehouse Assistant The Glowhouse Limited, Leyland L2 Early Years Apprentice VAC 001822839 Teddy Towers Limited, Leyland L2 Apprentice Chef VAC 001762659 The War Horse, Buckshaw Village L2 Apprentice Chef VAC 001768103 Traveller's Rest, Euxton L2 Apprentice Furniture Manufacturer VAC 001821711 Lignify Limited, Chorley L3 Apprenticeship Plant Mechanic VAC 1000030552 (September start) GAP Group Limited, Bamber Bridge VAC 1000030567 L3 Automotive Glazing Apprentice Markerstudy Limited, Bamber Bridge L3 Marketing Assistant Apprentice VAC 001825479 (x 4 positions available) Andrew Bluck & John Williams (GoMedia), Leyland L3 Apprentice Administration Assistant VAC 001815621 R Williams Commercial Services Limited, Leyland L3 Business Support Administration Apprentice VAC 001824504 Bespoke Traffic & Highway Solutions Ltd., Chorley

Training 2000: https://www.training2000.co.uk/apprenticeships/vacancies

L3 CNC Turner Apprentice

Lyndhurst Precision Engineering Limited, Chorley

CNC Machine Operator Apprentice, Alan Gordon Engineering Co. Ltd., Chorley

Vac. Ref: 0029E

Vehicle Damage Paint/Panel Technician, P&M Autobody Repair Centre, Chorley

Vac. Ref: 00269

Apprentice Engineering Fitter, Wheelbase Engineering Ltd., Darwen

Vac. Ref: 002A2

Apprentice Engineering Fitter, J. Pope Solutions, Leyland

Vac. Ref: 002AC

VAC 001815470



CAREER of the WEEK



Photographer

If you love taking photos and have an eye for a picture, you can put your photography skills to use in a variety of areas from advertising to social events.

Photographers create visual images for an exceptional range of creative, technical and documentary purposes.

As a professional photographer, you'll usually work to a brief set by the client or employer.

Examples of content you could work on include wedding, family and baby, fashion, food, architecture, and landscape photography.

A large proportion of professional photographers are self-employed. You could also find work with a variety of employers, including creative businesses, publishers and photographic agencies, or in the education and public sectors.

Types of photographer

You'll usually specialise in one area of photography, such as:

- advertising
- corporate
- editorial
- fashion
- fine art
- social photography also known as general practice, which includes weddings, commercial and portraiture photography.





Follow this link for more information









