

# CAREER News



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

Welcome back! Hope everyone had a great half term. Another packed edition of Career News for this week - with some great opportunities on offer inside!



Don't miss out on the next round of college open events - it is really important to see a college, talk to staff and students and find out if the course you want is right for you.

There are various online events from some top employers, including Rolls Royce and RSM Accountancy. BAE Systems have now opened their apprenticeship window and are offering a series of events to publicise their various qualifications. You can apply now - don't leave it too late as the application form is quite demanding!

Network Rail are also highlighting their latest apprenticeships in engineering and finance at both Level 2 and Level 3.

Training 2000 have a new initiative for Year 10 and 11 students: Aspiring Clubs. These are designed to give a real insight into what an apprenticeship would entail - without the commitment! Have a look at all the different options and get involved.

GT Scholars are offering another of their fantastic online careers summits, with top employers, universities and HR professionals available to give advice and highlight opportunities. This is a live session, running from 9.30am - 3.00pm (although you don't have to attend the whole day!) You must register in advance - scan the QR code inside.

There's news from the world famous Norland Nannies, advice and support from Success at School and All About School Leavers, as well as a free event from What Career and What University Live.

If there are any budding photographers, then InvestIN have a great competition for anyone aged 12-18. The theme is 'My Peaceful Place' and all entries will attract a donation to Stem4, a youth mental health charity. Follow the link inside to upload your photo.

Finally, a reminder about the weekly drop in sessions on Friday lunchtimes in A21, the virtual work experience with Allied Health Mentors and of course, Career of the Week!

Have a good week and take care if you are attending a bonfire!



8th - 12th November 2021



Personal

Guided

Tours

[runshaw.ac.uk/guidedtours](https://runshaw.ac.uk/guidedtours)

We are thrilled to offer individual covid-safe college tours to Year 11 students through our lovely Schools Liaison Team!

Slots are limited and will be for one Year 11 student and a maximum of 2 parents/guardians. We will release the slots at the start of each month.

**Please note that these tour slots are primarily for those students who have not yet had the chance to visit our lovely Leyland Campus before. Booking will open separately for our November Open Event.**

Our Study Support team are offering their own guided tours for any students with an EHCP. Please do not book a tour here but instead contact our Study Support team direct by emailing [studysupport@runshaw.ac.uk](mailto:studysupport@runshaw.ac.uk)

*Please note that some dates are already fully booked - so don't delay!*

**[Book here](https://runshaw.ac.uk/guidedtours)**



## Meet Carly, apprentice at the House of Commons!

To celebrate UK Parliament Week (1 - 7 Nov) we introduce you to Carly, Accounts Officer at the House of Commons!

Apprentice Stories offer an in-depth look at an apprentice's role and their apprenticeship journey in the format of an informative and engaging film.

Read on below to find out more ....

## Life at the House of Commons...

### Carly Maguire, Accounts Officer

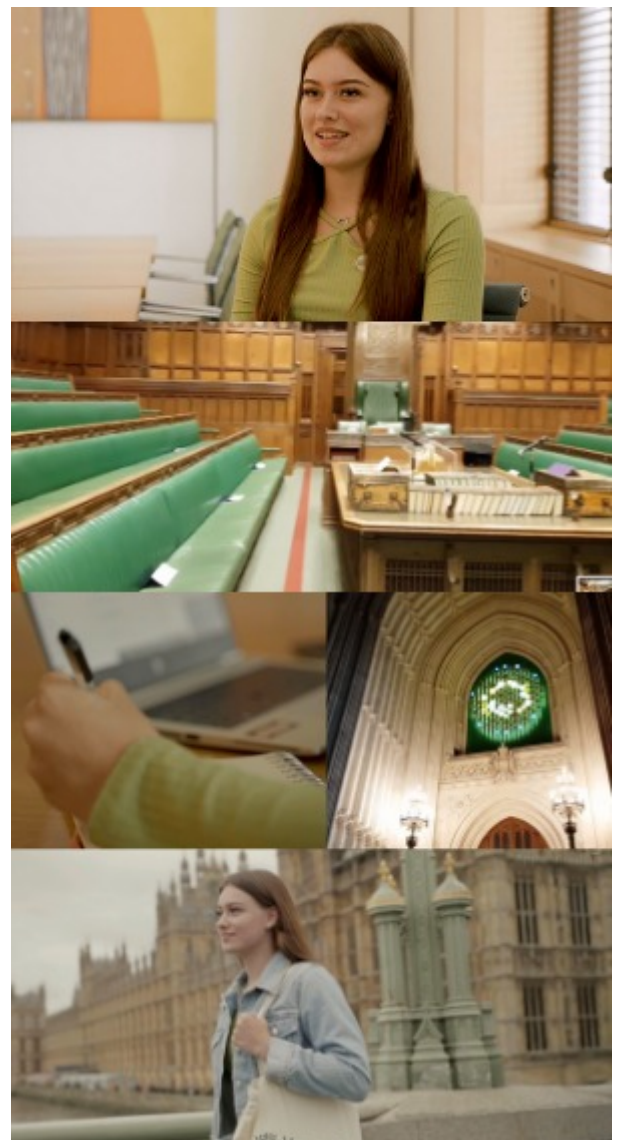
Carly's role, based at Westminster, sees her working on the income received into the House of Commons bank account every day. Carly talks about how she was attracted to the apprenticeship because of the real responsibility she would be taking on, and how working in Westminster is a huge bonus too!

*"Working in Parliament is amazing, you get to see all kinds of different culture and history around your workplace. It's always great working somewhere where you enjoy the surroundings." - Carly*

[WATCH CARLY'S STORY](#)



**Amazing**  
Apprenticeships







 **GT SCHOLARS**  
**ONLINE**  
**CAREERS**  
**DAY**

**SATURDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2021**

9:30 AM - 3:00 PM



**Open to Parents and Young People aged 13 to 18**

<https://careersummit.gtscholars.org>

**CONNECT**



Learn from university admissions teams, meet professionals from diverse backgrounds & discover careers in high demand

**DISCOVER**



Join us online to connect with HR professionals, learn about scholarships, bursaries & various opportunities available to you

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Find out about universities & apprenticeship schemes, how to create an outstanding CV and map out your career pathway

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# THE GT SCHOLARS PROGRAMME

 GT SCHOLARS

## GT SCHOLARS CAREERS DAY

Saturday 6th November 2021

Open to Parents & Young People aged 13 to 18

I'd just like to remind you about our upcoming online Careers Summit that is taking place on **Saturday 6th November!** This year's summit is sponsored by BRIT Insurance and our keynote speaker will be Lord Michael Hastings CBE.

Our speakers for the summit will be from a range of universities and corporate organisations such as PWC, University of Oxford, BT, JP Morgan, EY, BRIT Insurance and Blackrock bank.

Over 350 of our partner schools took part in our last summit! We also had over 50 volunteer speakers representing over 40 top companies across the UK, over 10,000 registrations and over 5,000 young people joined us at the live summit!

The online Careers Summit will offer young people aged 13 to 18, and their parents, the opportunity to explore careers in various industries including Technology, Medicine, Finance, Engineering and many more!

**Tickets must be booked online [here](#)**

# DO YOU LIVE IN CHORLEY?



Hop On, Chill Out, Hop Off

There is now a **DIRECT** bus from Chorley to Preston College... and back again!

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**PRESTON**  
COLLEGE

**YEAR 10 & 11**  
**OPEN EVENTS**

**VISIT OUR CAMPUS**  
**SPEAK TO TUTORS**  
**SEE THE FACILITIES**

**DATES & TIMES**

**Wednesday 6th October**  
**4-7pm**

**Saturday 6th November**  
**10am-2pm**

**Wednesday 9th March**  
**4-7pm**

**VISIT**

**[www.preston.ac.uk](http://www.preston.ac.uk)**

- > Register for events
- > Apply online
- > Get college updates



**FURTHER EDUCATION**  
**COLLEGE OF THE YEAR**





**Network Rail Apprenticeships:**  
If experiencing projects and possibilities matters to you.  
You matter to us.

Join our apprenticeship programme and you'll earn a competitive salary, while studying towards qualifications. You'll also play your part in delivering projects that matter to families, friends, colleagues, and businesses across the UK.

## Our Apprenticeship Programmes

**We offer lots of exciting apprenticeships, explore your options below:**

### Engineering (Level 3 Apprenticeship)



If embracing the latest tech and shaping national rail projects matters to you. You matter to us. An Engineering Apprenticeship with Network Rail is the first step into an exciting career in the Rail industry. As part of our team, you'll help shape national projects, embrace the latest tech and learn the skills to succeed.



## Off Track (Level 2 Apprenticeship)



If working outdoors supporting nature matters to you. You matter to us. As one of the largest landowners in Britain, we rely on our Off-track team to ensure the natural areas around our tracks and stations work with us, not against us.

## Finance (Level 3 Apprenticeship)



If getting your finance career on-track through a mixture of professional training and real-life work experience matters to you. You matter to us. Our Level 3 Finance Apprenticeship Scheme is an alternative route to university and provides a unique opportunity to understand different aspects of finance and how they all interact with the wider business.

**Engineering (Level 3 Apprenticeship) - [apply now](#)**

**Off Track (Level 2 Apprenticeship) - [apply now](#)**

**Finance (Level 3 Apprenticeship) - [apply now](#)**

**So what are you waiting for? If you're looking to do meaningful work that matters every day, start a rewarding career at Network Rail.**



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AFTER GCSE THAT WILL TAKE YOUR FUTURE  
TO THE NEXT LEVEL!**

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THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

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**80%**

Each T Level allows students to spend 80% of the course in the classroom, learning the skills that employers need.

**20%**

The other 20% is a meaningful industry placement, where you will put these skills into action, gaining valuable experience in the workplace.

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## Cardinal Newman Sixth Form College

Cardinal Newman Sixth Form College is one of the highest performing sixth form colleges in Lancashire. Based in Preston city centre offering, A-Levels, BTEC and T-Level qualifications for school leavers and Foundation Degrees, and Teacher Training provision for adult learners.

[Watch our latest video here](#)

**OPEN EVENT  
13 NOVEMBER  
10AM - 1PM**

**CARDINAL  
NEWMAN  
COLLEGE**

**REGISTRATION FOR THE OPEN EVENT WILL  
GO LIVE ON 18 OCTOBER SCAN THE QR CODE  
FOR MORE INFORMATION**





# Norland News

We welcomed Set 45 (our new first-year students) in September and they've already had a busy first month. In their degree lectures, they've been familiarising themselves with important legislation such as the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) and learning about safeguarding. While in the Norland diploma, they've been learning basic cooking skills such as how to use knives safely, sewing name labels and pin cushions and changing nappies using the terry towelling method. They're getting ready for their first placement in the next couple of weeks!



## Virtual open event - Saturday 6 November

If students would like to find out more about studying at Norland, please join us for our virtual open event on Saturday 6 November, 10am-12pm.

There will be a presentation by Principal, Dr Janet Rose, Vice Principal Mandy Donaldson and a whole host of other staff members and third-year international and mature student Jessica. Following the presentation, we'll be holding a Q&A where our panellists will answer those all important questions about Norland life.

[Book now](#)

## Connecting your students with our students



We know that applying to Norland is a unique choice and the decision to study with us is often a very different path compared to applicants' peers. Our brand new chat to students page allows prospective students to have conversations with our current students on a safe and secure platform so they can find out what it's really like to wear the iconic uniform and study our award-winning degree and diploma integrated course. Follow the link to find out more.

[Chat to students](#)

# Our Aspiring Clubs

## 2021-22

Our Aspiring Clubs are aimed at year 10 and 11 to give them a taster into life as an apprentice

### Aspiring Accountants

WHEN: 15th November  
TIME: 9:30am - 12:30pm or  
1:30pm - 4:30pm

Activities will include:

- Current apprentices as guest speakers
- Balance sheet activity
- Double entry bookkeeping activity
- Accounting board game
- Accountancy in the working environment
- Accounting card games

### Aspiring Business Professionals

WHEN: 17th November  
TIME: 9:30am - 12:30pm or  
1:30pm - 4:30pm

Activities will include:

- Current apprentices as guest speakers
- Decision making
- Prioritising
- Project planning
- Communication in the workplace

### Aspiring Dental Nursing

WHEN: 9th or 10th February  
TIME: 9:30am - 12:30pm

Activities will include:

- The role of a dental nurse
- Surgery tour looking at equipment and instruments
- Mixing alginate impression material
- Discuss oral hygiene and diet
- Current apprentices as guest speakers

### Aspiring Optical and Healthcare Professionals

WHEN: 9th or 10th February  
TIME: 1:30pm - 4:30pm

Optical activities:

- Different eye conditions
- Demonstration of magnifiers
- Different prescriptions and trial frames

Healthcare activities:

- First aid
- CPR
- Bandaging activity
- Recovery position activity





## Aspiring Engineers

**WHEN:** Saturday 6th November for 12 weeks\*

**TIME:** 9am - 12pm

**COST:** £10 per person contribution to cover the cost of materials

You'll get an insight into the different areas of engineering using our machinery and other equipment. We'll cover:

- Milling
- Turning
- Fitting
- Sheetmetal / welding
- Computer Aided Design (CAD)
- CNC machining



## Aspiring Automotive Technicians

**WHEN:** Saturday 6th November for 12 weeks\*

**TIME:** 9am - 12pm

**COST:** £10 per person contribution to cover the cost of materials

You'll get an insight into the different areas of the motor industry in our large automotive training centre. We'll cover:

- Paint spraying cars
- Body repair
- Car and HGV engines
- Carrying out simple car checks

## Interview and C.V Skills sessions

**WHEN:** 7th, 9th or 10th February 2022

**TIME:** 4pm - 5pm

\*Dates: Nov: 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, Dec: 4th and 11th, Feb 2022: 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, March 2022: 5th and 12th

**Book online**  
[www.training2000.co.uk/aspiring](http://www.training2000.co.uk/aspiring)



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# Your top 5 careers advice links for the new term

From UCAS, to how to motivate yourself to study as a student, here are our top 5 careers advice articles for students this term.



## 1. Everything you need to know about university open days

University open days are an essential part of the process of shortlisting universities for your UCAS application. With so much to see and think about, it's crucial you prepare for your visits and use your time wisely. [Check out our guide to getting the most out of university open days](#)



## 2. How to write a brilliant UCAS personal statement

Your UCAS statement is your chance to give the admissions tutors at the universities that you are applying to a chance to meet the real you. [Find out how to structure your UCAS personal statement](#)



## 3. How to motivate yourself to study as a student

We've all been there countless times before yet it never gets any easier. Finding the motivation to study when you're just not in the mood is tough. So, what do you do? [Check out these tips on how to motivate yourself to study as a student](#)



## 4. Should I take a student gap year?

Whatever your situation, deciding whether a gap year is right for you can be tough. We've put together this guide to highlight [some of the positive things that can come from taking a year out from studying](#)



## 5. Part time work: what can I do?

If you're at school and are looking for a part time job, it's important that your job doesn't eat into study time, and that your employer follows the rules for working with people under the age of 18. [Find out how it all works](#)



# OPEN EVENING

## 08 NOVEMBER FROM 4.30PM



Learn more about:  
**A Levels**

**Vocational &  
Technical subjects  
including T Levels**

**Apprenticeships**



Wigan & Leigh College Open Event, Monday 8th November, 4.30pm - 7.30pm - WIGAN Centres

Our second Open Event of the academic year at our Wigan Centres is nearly here!

Once again, our informative presentations will be available for visitors to attend, and the details are below:

- “Your Qualification Explained” – 5pm
- “Advanced Level Options: A Levels or Technical?” – 5.30pm & 6.15pm
- “Apprenticeships and Wigan & Leigh College” – 5.30pm & 6.15pm

Registration for the Event can be found by following this link: <https://www.wigan-leigh.ac.uk/events/Open-Evening> with bookings for the talks above taken on the night.

*A second and very important polite request we'd like to communicate to those planning on attending the event is regarding the use of face covering. We will require all attendees to wear a face covering (unless exempt), and this is to ensure that we keep everyone safe throughout the event.*



What **CAREER** LIVE

What **UNIVERSITY** LIVE

Virtual Event 2021

12 & 13 November



Event sponsor: **Capita**

# An apprenticeship? Higher education?

## What will you do next?!

### Claim your free tickets today!

Deciding what you want to do when you leave school or college can be confusing!

Log in to the What Career? & What University? Live Virtual Event on 12 & 13 November to explore your options.

Chat to over 50 leading employers and unis including Capita, London Film Academy, J.P. Morgan, University of Bath, Rolls-Royce, Loughborough University, Aon, NHS Health Careers and many more!

Plus, get one-to-one advice from careers experts, choose from 50+ free talks and take part in free skills workshops to help you take your next steps with confidence!

## [REGISTER FOR FREE NOW](#)

### Start planning your day

Choose from a packed programme of live and on-demand talks covering everything from careers in the sports industry to choosing the right university course for you. Here's a few highlights!

- Saturday 11:15am | Tips for selection processes for apprenticeships
- Saturday 1:45pm | Future Skills Workshop
- On-demand | How to choose the right career path
- On-demand | How much do you need a degree in the corporate world?

Chat to reps from the UK's top unis and employers including...





**Apprentice Recruitment Evenings**

**Our apprentices are our future  
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We offer comprehensive, high-quality training with support from people passionate about nurturing talent and developing skills, paid-for quality qualifications and hands-on experience in world-class projects and products.

We have a variety of apprenticeships for you across our business.

**BAE Systems Apprenticeships**  
**UK Virtual Early Careers Recruitment Events**

To find out more about our exciting apprenticeship opportunities, please select the relevant scheme and date (below) and register your details via the link.

**Welcome to BAE Systems**

An introduction to the Business

**Date & Time of Event (Nov)**

[15th November 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

**Date & Time of Event (Dec)**

[2nd December 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

**Apprenticeship Scheme**

**Date & Time of Event**

Level 3 Advanced Supply Chain

[16th November 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

[9th December 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

Level 3 Advanced Business + Level 5 Human Resources (HR) Consultant Partner

[16th November 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

[9th December 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

Level 6 Aerospace Software Development Engineer (Degree) Apprenticeship (EDAS)

[18th November 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

[6th December 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

Level 6 Aerospace Engineering Development Engineer (Degree) Apprenticeship (EDAS)

[18th November 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

[7th December 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

Level 6 Digital Technology Solutions (DTS) NEW

[18th November 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

[7th December 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

Level 3 Advanced Engineering Technician

[22nd November 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

[13th December 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

Level 3 Advanced Engineering Craft

[22nd November 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

[13th December 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

Level 6 Project Manager (Integrated Degree)

[22nd November 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

[14th December 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

Level 4 Advanced Engineering Manufacturing Technician

[23rd November 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

[7th December 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

Level 3 Advanced Aircraft Maintenance (Humberside) + Level 3 Advanced Engineering Technician (Brough)

[23rd November 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

[6th December 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

Level 7 Finance Higher

[25th November 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

[14th December 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

Level 6 Project Control Degree

[25th November 2021](#) 19:45 - 20:45

[13th December 2021](#) 18:30 - 19:30

Please note: **you must register a place** in order to attend the Career Events. Our apprentice application window opens on the **1st November 2021** until the **28th February 2022**. You can apply online at: [www.baesystems.com/apprenticeships](http://www.baesystems.com/apprenticeships) or use the QR Code here.



# The Young Photographer Challenge: Charity Competition

*Help us provide essential support for youth mental health*



***"Every photo is ... a vulnerable act of courage to build empathy."  
(Bryce Evans)***

Studies show that 60% of young people feel unable to cope with stress induced by the pressure to succeed. Research also shows that the visualisation of a tranquil place can help reduce stress, anxiety and fear.

In honour of this and stress awareness week, we invite students aged 12-18 to enter our competition, **The Young Photographer Challenge**. Students should submit a photograph of their 'peaceful place' along with a title and short explanation. Creativity is highly encouraged!

**The competition is free to enter and for each entry we shall make a donation to Stem4, a youth mental health charity. The deadline for entries is Tuesday 23rd November.**

[Enter Now](#)

*The Winner: The winning photograph will be shared across our social media and featured on our blog which will be seen by 10,000+ people. In addition, they will receive an InvestIN AmbitionX Membership, granting them one year's access to all our weekend live online programmes and evening events.*



# Virtual apprenticeship events

## AUTUMN 2021

Choose from various **virtual sessions**, which are all free to attend!



### Accountancy insight session

10th November 2021, 5.30pm

When you're starting out in your career it can be hard to know which route to take and which path will allow you to reach your goals. Our school leaver apprenticeship programme will help you take this first step with confidence.

With RSM you'll enjoy a fast-tracked business career that recognises your potential and rewards your ambition. Our two-year school leaver apprenticeship programme will give you all the skills and support you need to unlock a future that's packed with opportunities and new experiences.

[REGISTER](#)



### What are Degree Apprenticeships?

11th November 2021, 4.30pm

Come and find out about degree apprenticeships at Rolls-Royce. We will have degree apprentices who can talk about their degrees and can answer questions.

[REGISTER](#)

### What are Procurement and Business apprenticeships?

16th November 2021, 4.30pm

We have new exciting opportunities at higher and degree apprenticeships within business and procurement. Come and talk to our apprentices about these offers.

[REGISTER](#)





# YOUR FUTURE

## YEAR 11



**Not sure which road to take?**

**Careers drop in every Friday in A21, 1.20pm - 2.00pm**





Health Education England has recently completed a discovery report on virtual work experience programmes, that have concluded that these programmes are a valuable adjunct to in-person work experience, especially in our current climate where in-person experiences are extremely limited.

The NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience successfully invited 12,000 students to participate in the last academic year, making it the largest programme for students who are specifically interested in the following careers: Nursing, Midwifery, Paramedicine, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Dietetics, Radiography, Prosthetics and Orthotics, Speech and language therapy and Pharmacy.

Applications for this programme are now open, and they will be open throughout this academic year, with the next session taking place on the **7th November**.

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. Students will observe the healthcare professionals as they interact with the patients and each other. Students will have an opportunity to ask questions and gain knowledge through teaching. This will help students to make an informed career decision as well as learn about how healthcare professionals work together as part of a multidisciplinary team.

Each work experience day is completely different and students will be able to build on their knowledge of NHS careers as they see different patient cases and healthcare professionals work in a variety of settings, such as hospital and community.

Students will also receive certificates as evidence of having participated in the work experience programme. Those that complete the entire 6-month programme will be awarded with Highly Commended References too. Students can register individually through the website link below.

Places are £10 a day to cover administrative costs and run the tech on the day. You can learn more and students can register for the programme here:

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





**STAY POSITIVE.  
WORK HARD.  
MAKE IT HAPPEN.**

# CAREER *of the* WEEK

## Environmental Consultant

With all the emphasis on climate change at the summit in Glasgow, I thought we would look at a 'green' career this week. Sadly, it seems the world leaders have missed the whole point of being green, flying in to the summit in private jets and with huge motorcades - perhaps they should have set an example and used Zoom!

### Eco consultant

Environmental consultants advise on sustainability, including waste management, recycling, flood risk and the effects of climate change.

You can get into this job through:

- a university course
- an apprenticeship

### University

You'll usually need a degree in environmental science, environmental studies or a related subject like:

- biology
- chemistry
- geoscience
- ecology
- agricultural science



<https://careeroftheweek.wordpress.com/>