# CAREER News

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

Welcome to another issue of Career News. This week there are loads of virtual work experience opportunities to get involved in, whether you are in Year 10 or 11. Don't miss out - these will look great on your CV, as well as giving you an insight into different careers (and all without leaving the comfort of your home!)



There's also a huge number of new apprenticeships on offer, from hairdressing to customer service. Why not apply for the position of apprentice groundskeeper at Burnley FC (through Myerscough College)? Also, for those who are not quite sure about their future careers, why not have a look at the pre-apprenticeship courses at Myerscough, in Animal Care/Agriculture and Horticulture ... a short course over the summer that will give you a real taste of working in industry - and perhaps give you a new career.

This week was International Women in Engineering Day - check out the inspirational stories from four women engineers. Too many girls give up on studying maths and science at A Level, despite often getting brilliant GCSE results - see if any of the women featured in the Neon article changes your mind.

News on enrolment from Wigan & Leigh College, as well as summer tours from Runshaw - it's all inside!

There are courses and conferences on offer - some free, some to pay for - but luckily, Parklands students always get a discount. Use the codes provided and take part in some fabulous experiences this summer!

If you are considering university in the future, then there is an extra date added due to demand for the UK University & Apprenticeship Search Virtual Fair - check out the details and sign up now.

There is also the latest issue of Careermag for school leavers (but useful for anyone!)

Year 10 will shortly be taking part in small group interviews - prior to which they have a short questionnaire to complete - keep an eye on the daily bulletin for more details.

Finally, unfortunately due to ongoing restrictions, the Wigan & Leigh taster day has had to be cancelled, as has the visit to Runshaw. Hopefully, we can look at the taster day again in the autumn term - fingers crossed.

In the meantime, have a great week and get involved in as many activities as you can.

## Law Virtual Work Experience opportunity



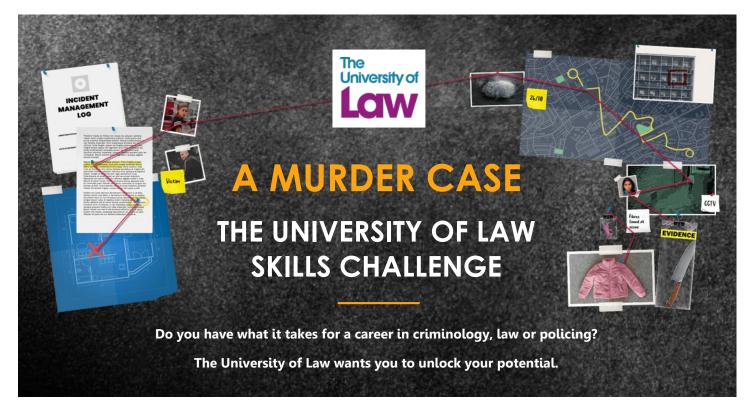
I've got some really exciting news about a brand new Law Virtual Work Experience taking place next week on 2nd July, with 2 national law firms and a top university offering law degrees. As many of you will know, finding opportunities for students within the law space is extremely hard to come by so I'm hoping this opportunity is welcome.

On Friday 2nd July we will be hosting our Law Virtual Work Experience event alongside Charles Russell Speechlys, Browne Jacobson and the University of Law.

### Law Virtual Work Experience: Friday 2nd July, 9am - 4pm

- An insight to law, different departments and areas of work (including non law routes)
- Networking opportunities and being added to a fast track list for in person events when safe to do so
- · Breakout rooms with solicitors in talking about different areas of law
- Panel discussion and a real world project for you to work on!
- Client relationships and winning new business
- Workshops & interactive sessions

Open to students in Y10 and Y11



### Test your skills now

We wanted to tell you about TWO really cool challenges that help young people see if Business or Law is for them through these brilliant immersive and interactive tools.

The Business Challenge looks at business, advertising, marketing, finance and entrepreneurship whilst the Law Challenge focuses on Policing, Criminology and Law (think becoming a lawyer).

Until next time, Jack & Paul

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Co-Founders, AllAboutSchoolLeavers



They are both free to use and both offer top prizes. Try them today.



## THE BUSINESS TALENTPOTENTIALFLAIRAPTITUDE CHALLENGE

Do you have what it takes for a career in business?

The University of Law Business School wants you to unlock your potential.

#### Test your talent now





Are your students keen to expand their knowledge of what Medicine is really like, boost their chances of a successful medical school application and prepare for life as a medical student? On our popular Medicine courses, your students will learn about the practical and theoretical aspects of Medicine, and the most important systems of the body. They'll also get the chance to take a patient's medical history, and attempt to diagnose their symptoms - an experience that will help them stand out in university applications.

On our Medical courses, they'll cover topics such as:

- · Systems of the body, including the cardiovascular and respiratory systems
- The brain and the mind, including psychiatric disorders
- Medical ethics: is there a moral difference between withdrawing and withholding treatment?
- A personal research project, which they'll present to their peers

Joining students from all over the world, your students will gain clarity about their futures, and prepare for a changing world - all while experiencing our inspirational and rigorous teaching. Along with a small group of students (maximum of 10) they'll learn about their subject through discussion, research and debates.

They'll join a class with students in similar time zones, and will have two hours of live contact time per day, as well as some independent study.

With one and two week courses throughout the year, this is their opportunity to get the Oxford experience, from anywhere. In addition, we also offer a Medicine virtual internship programme to give students the chance to gain highly prized hands-on experience - more details can be found <u>here</u>.

As always, if you have any questions about our programmes, please let me know! <u>I look forward to hearing from you</u>.

As a Partner High School, your students can secure a 15% discount on our virtual internships and other online programmes with the code: **PARKLANDSHIGHSCHOOL-15** 



#### RUNSHAW COLLEGE



Welcome to our Year 11 Summer Student Experience Tours.

We are delighted to be able to offer **Year 11 Summer Student Experience** Tours 9am - 4pm this July from Monday 5th - 7th July!

- Come & see our beautiful Campus & why we've been Outstanding for over 20 years!
- 🔘 Subject & Admissions experts showing you around on a 1:1 Covid-safe basis
- A lunch bag for every student (including a legendary Runshaw cookie!)
- C Subject classrooms set up so you can get the info you need!
- Have all your questions answered and choose a time that suits you!

### Don't delay, book today!

Monday 5th July BOOK NOW Tuesday 6th July <u>BOOK NOW</u>

Wednesday 7th July BOOK NOW







Due to popular demand we are running one extra UK University & Apprenticeship Search Virtual Fair this term on Wednesday 14th July from 12 - 6pm. We have an incredible range of exhibitors including the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, Warwick, Imperial, Liverpool, Southampton, Lancaster, Edinburgh, Bristol, Surrey, Birmingham, King's, UEA, Manchester and loads more.

The event is perfect for students in Years 10 and 11. We are running a webinar entitled 'Using Summer to Enhance Your Future', to help motivate and inspire Year 10s and 11s.



## **UK University & Apprenticeship Search Free Virtual Fair**

## Universities | Colleges | Apprenticeships

Join us on Wednesday 14th July from 12pm - 6pm for a free virtual fair packed full of exhibitors, campus tours, and webinars to help you get answers to all of your questions about your next steps.

Don't miss out on the chance to speak directly to a wide and diverse range of universities, colleges, and apprenticeship providers from around the UK, and get valuable advice to choose the right option for you.

The fair also features three exclusive webinars on Careers & Employability, Clearing & Adjustment and Using the Summer to Enhance Your Future, all led by university and apprenticeship professionals.

- + Participate in 10 Live Webinars
- + Live chat with Admissions Experts
- + Explore Universities with Virtual Campus Tours
- + Enter to win one of five £100 Amazon Vouchers

### Register for your FREE place here

Chat with representatives and admissions experts from Oxford, Cambridge, Russell Group, Red Brick, Modern, and Specialist Universities to get the advice you need to help your application stand out from the crowd.

## Arrangements for Wigan & Leigh College Enrolment September 2021

As we continue to respond to this year's uncertainties and changes I wanted to write to update you as to how the College is preparing for an altered approach to transition and enrolment. I hope there will be less uncertainty regarding the process of issuing results this summer but we are very aware of the anxiety that will remain for year 11 pupils and parents in planning for their next steps after school. We are currently making plans to once again put in measures to provide as much assurance and certainty as we can before the end of the summer term and therefore I would like to update you on the arrangements in place for college transition and enrolment in August 2021.

### Transition

The College is again supporting transition for all applicants through the Steps to Success programme (https://www.wigan-leigh.ac.uk/about/coronavirusupdate/year-11-applicants). The programme offers a structured timeline of activity to help applicants prepare for College and for their chosen course. Engagement with this resource was very strong last summer and has continued throughout the year. All information contained within the Steps to Success programme has been updated and is specifically for students preparing to start college in September 2021.

### Virtual New Student Day - Tuesday 29th June

Details and log in information for the Virtual New Student Day will be sent via email and post in the next few days.



### Enrolment

The College has committed to providing a college place to all school leavers. This is possible due to the different levels of course available at the college. We can also confirm that we will once again be undertaking a face to face enrolment process as this is the best way to ensure that the right advice and guidance has been given and that all factors have been considered when deciding upon the course and level. In light of the recent announcement confirming that GCSE results will be issued on Thursday 12th August we have changed our enrolment period to coincide with results. Therefore, the enrolment period at college this year will be from Thursday 12th August 2021 - Saturday 14th August 2021. At this stage we do not know what COVID restrictions will be in place in August but we intend to run the same adapted COVID safe process as we did last year:

 School applicants will be invited into college at specific timeslots and will be required to bring their GCSE results slip as proof of their previous school. Applicants will not be able access the enrolment process outside of their timeslot. This will enable us to implement appropriate social distancing measures and maximise safety.

The time slots for PARKLANDS ACADEMY are:

## Wigan & Leigh College - Wigan Centres Only

### THURSDAY 12th AUGUST 6pm - 7.30pm

### Leigh College

### THURSDAY 12th AUGUST 5pm - 6pm

- There will be a streamlined enrolment process with reduced stations and interactions to implement all public health requirements. However all students will still receive 1:1 guidance from our careers teams and/or course tutors. All relevant stages to ensure a complete and successful enrolment will be included and this in turn will provide us with all the right information to assist us in providing a safe and managed start to classes, commencing Monday 6th September.
- If any student cannot make their allotted enrolment time, they can contact us for a different time during the 3-day enrolment period (Thursday 12th -Saturday 14th August).
- If any student cannot make the 3-day enrolment period dates (Thursday 12th - Saturday 14th August), we will have enrolment appointments available to book w/c 30th August. Full details will be provided to applicants in their enrolment letter.

This will be an 'appointment only' managed process.

 Applicants for apprenticeships will be supported in trying to secure an employment vacancy. The impact of COVID19 on the employment market has reduced apprenticeship vacancies and applicants will therefore need more guidance and assurance to ensure that they have alternate choices ready for September. We are however confident that there will still be vacancies and we would urge those pupils who wish to apply for an apprenticeship to submit an application. We guarantee a place on a study programme at college for those applicants who do not secure employment and will continue to search for a vacancy during their first year at college.

I hope this provides some reassurance for you but if you have further questions please do not hesitate to contact our Admissions Team on **01942 761111** or **applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk** 





with interview skills to prepare you for a guaranteed interview at the end of the programme.



Traineeships



erscough.ac.uk/courses/traineeships/traineeships or further information email: projects@myerscough.ac.uk contact Andrea Gardner: 01995 642143 or 07801 022880

In case you don't know anything about Myerscough College, have a look at this short video here.

## Why an Apprenticeship?

If you feel that you don't want to attend College full-time but would prefer to get a job, earn a decent wage and gain gualifications whilst at work, then Myerscough College has a wide range of Apprenticeship options available to you. As a national provider of work based training within the land based sector we offer a choice of Apprenticeships which embrace a wide range of occupational roles and sectors. We regularly liaise with industry and our programmes are designed to develop a skilled workforce capable of meeting the challenges currently being faced by the sector.

Still not sure what to do in September? Why not book yourself on to one of these Pre-Apprenticeship courses from Myerscough College? You might discover a whole new career!

yerscough PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME Horticulture STARTING AT MYERSCOUGH COLLEGE, PRESTON AND WORK EXPERIENCE PLACEMENTS WITH REAL EMPLOYERS This short 6 week programme will provide you with occupational

skills and knowledge in horticulture covering basic gardening skills for careers in landscaping, parks, gardens, greenspaces grounds and production horticulture. This course will also prepare you with the interview skills to prepare you for a guaranteed interview at the end of the programme.



Traineeships







## Get your child ahead this summer holiday

## Our 4-day virtual live course for your 15-18 year old child is less than a month away!

We want to help children enter a career that they're really passionate about.

How? By giving them the future-proof skills and the mindset they need to be successful.

That is why we have created the 8billionideas Accelerator Programme.

## How it works

We want to help unleash your child's talents and level up work experience by giving them memorable moments that will have a lasting impact on their career.

The 8billionideas Accelerator is a **4-day learning programme** that evolves traditional **work experience**. It will support your child's remote learning through **interactive experiences** broadcast into your home!

The Accelerator starts in the **summer holidays** and you can secure your child's ticket at a discounted price now.

## The skills on offer



Each student will have the opportunity to meet and hear from **guest speakers** from businesses like **Google**, **IBM**, **LinkedIn**, and **Amazon** to name a few, as well as the start-up community. They will receive an **endorsement statement** from 8billionideas to use on their University or job applications in the future, and finish the course with their **CV** built under the eye of our experts.

The Accelerator Programme is now available at a discounted rate! Click below and enter code 8BILL20 at checkout for 20% off!

**Book your child's Accelerator tickets** 

## TRAINING.

## Apprenticeships currently available at www.gov.uk

- Level 3 **Procurement Apprentice** at East Lancashire Hospital NHS Trust VAC001727454 (x 3 vacancies) (Available through Encompass Consultancy)
- Level 3 Apprentice Web & Marketing Developer at One Stop Hire Ltd. VAC001721695 (Available through Runshaw College)
- Level 3 Apprentice Safety Training Administrator at One Stop Hire Ltd. VAC001721699 (Available through Runshaw College)
- Level 2 Hairdressing Apprentice at CS Salons Ltd. VAC001724501 (Available through Wigan & Leigh College)

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- Level 2 Hairdressing Apprentice at The Hair Gallery VAC001723753 (Available through Wigan & Leigh College)
- Level 2 **Beauty Therapist Apprentice** at Simply Beautiful (Standish) Ltd. VAC001724503 (Available through Wigan & Leigh College)
- Level 2 Hire Desk Apprentice Power at Mather & Stuart Limited. VAC001668776 (Available through Gen II Engineering & Technology Training)
- Level 2 Childcare Practitioner Apprentice at Future Champions Nursery VAC001723985 (Available through Runshaw College)
- Level 2 Customer Service Apprentice (Business Administrator) at Howdens Joinery VAC001725474 (Available through DIDAC Training Ltd)
- Level 2 **Chef Apprenticeship** at Mitchells & Butlers plc (Harvester) VAC001726736 (Available through Lifetime Training Group Limited)
- Level 2 Apprentice Customer Service Assistant at One Stop Hire Ltd. VAC001721709 (Available through Runshaw College)
- Don't forget you will need a CV if you need any support with this email Miss Berry





### Myerscough College & University Centre

We're currently recruiting for an apprentice at Burnley FC. Find out more about this exciting opportunity <u>here.</u>

We're looking for an Apprentice Groundsperson to join our stadium team here at the club.



Following the cancellation of our intended Year 10 visit to Runshaw, they have put together an online Year 10 Open Event platform for all Year 10s to access to find out more about Runshaw and what they offer. The virtual platform has lots of interesting information about all of their courses, as well as videos with current students and staff members and will hopefully help Year 10s start to think about their next steps after school. <u>Click here for more details</u>

If you haven't yet logged into Indigo, then why not do so this weekend?

It's an easy to navigate website that showcases hundreds of different careers, with videos and case studies, as well as showing the top employers, whether a job is in high demand, what sort of salary you could expect and much much more.

There is the option to explore universities all over the country: what kinds of courses they offer, what students think of them and the qualifications you might need to take a certain degree.

If you have lost or forgotten your Indigo username or you'd like to log in for the first time, email Miss Berry for a reminder. You can use Indigo on a PC, tablet or phone, at school or at home. Check it out!

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Structural engineers help to design and build large structures and buildings, like hospitals, sports stadiums and bridges.

You can do a degree or postgraduate award in: structural engineering, architectural engineering, civil and structural engineering.

#### Entry requirements:

You'll usually need:

2 or 3 A levels, or equivalent, including maths and a science for a degree, or a degree in a relevant subject for postgraduate study





## Helping You To Plan Your Future

Our latest issue of Careermag for School Leavers is out now!

Inside you'll find top tips to help you decide the right pathway for you, alongside top opportunities from the UK's leading employers.

## CLICK HERE TO VIEW





## Virtual Work Experience in Business, Accounting & Finance

We have some really exciting news to share, we are now live for our Business, Accounting & Finance Summer Virtual Work Experience.

This summer Young Professionals are back with their brand new Virtual Work Experience for students in schools / colleges nationwide looking to get into Business, Accounting & Finance. The dates for your diary are 8th & 9th July, 9am - 4pm.

We have brought together some of the biggest companies in the world including; PwC, Grant Thornton, CIMA, EY, St James's Place Wealth Management along with a few others!

We have unlimited spaces so everyone that applies will get a place, we will also be giving out certificates of completion and an exclusive reference from us to use on your CV. We will also be setting a really cool business project for you to work on over the days you are with us as well as some great prizes such as iPads!

Application Link: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Accounting-Work-Experience</u>

We were really hoping we could have run this in person this year but unfortunately due to employers restrictions in the office this was just not possible. However we do have some exciting news, all students that join us on this program, we will be offering some really exclusive fast tracks to in person events for when we can hold them again back at some of the company's offices that are taking part in the event.





## **CAMPUS OPEN DAY | SATURDAY 3RD JULY**

We are inviting creative individuals to visit our campuses to take a tour, check out our industry standard facilities, meet with our tutors and our excellent student ambassadors.

At the event there will be an opportunity to ask any questions about our courses and to take part in an application session where we can help you take the first steps into studying for a career in the creative industries.

We will be running individual sessions for:

**MUSIC + EVENTS** 

### **MUSIC TECHNOLOGY**

**GAMES + COMPUTING** 

**MEDIA + DESIGN** 

Sessions will run from 12pm on Saturday 3rd July.

**BOOK YOUR PLACE** 



We are excited to invite your creative students to our brand-new virtual work experience. There will be lots of engaging and inspiring information to unpack across the two days. From learning about the top tips, to getting a foot in the door, to hearing from experts including Hexworks, Playground Games and Factory 42 on how they secured their roles.

Our interactive activities and stimulating talks will help to boost your students' employability, build new skills in VFX, Animation and Games and introduce them to new contacts. Together, we can help your students improve their career prospects and find the best job! Take a look at all the interesting sessions that are to come over the two days...

### **Programme Details**

Dates: 13th - 14th July Location: Online Time: 12pm - 4pm Cost: Free

### **BOOK NOW**



## Happy International Women in Engineering Day!

To celebrate and inspire students to pursue their love of STEM at school and beyond, we're serving up some powerful content today.

## **Inspiring stories**

Here are 4 amazing and relatable female role models, cherry-picked from your favourite real engineers case studies on Neon:

**Mimi Nwosu**, materials engineer, was all set to become a doctor when a chance encounter changed her career path. <u>Read her story</u>

**Yasmin Ali** is a chemical engineer in the energy industry. She tells us about the challenges, the exploration, the travel and the helicopter rides, all a part of her job! <u>Watch her story</u>

**Roma Agrawal,** an award-winning structural engineer who worked on the Shard, says she loves her job because it combines her interests in physics, maths and building things. <u>Read her story</u>

**Stephanie Mottershead**, space engineer, swapped cruise ships for satellites after a life-changing visit to Cape Canaveral. <u>Watch her story</u>

## **Challenging perceptions**

We've also put together a collection of experiences and resources that will challenge your students' perceptions of what engineers do and who can be an engineer.

We know that exposure to the sector from a young age, through engaging activities and relatable role models for example, has a huge impact on whether or not girls pursue STEM subjects at school and beyond. So this is a great place to start!



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## BE IN CONTROL... of your future

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## APPRENTICESHIP EVENT Wednesday 7th July 2021 11am - 1pm & 4pm - 6pm

visit www.training2000.co.uk/virtual to register

Don't worry if you haven't decided what you want to do now that you have finished school or if you want to change your mind. The last year has been filled with so many uncertainties, but we can help you take back control of your education and career. Come and virtually speak to us about our Apprenticeships or Traineeships.



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## BE IN CONTROL... of your career

RESULTS WEEK 2021

#### COME AND TALK TO US:

- about your options
- to confirm your grades
- to discuss your next steps

Don't worry if you've not achieved the grades you were hoping for, come and speak to us for one-to-one support

## 10th & 12th August | 12-4pm

## visit www.training2000.co.uk/virtual to register

We are keeping our events virtual but if Government guidance / local infection rates change, our August events may be held at our Blackburn training site. Register your details at www.training2000.co.uk/virtual and we will keep you updated.



## Virtual Work Experience with GSK

As this is a GSK run event we do have very limited spaces so if students are interested we advise to book on ASAP.

### **GSK Virtual Work Experience:**

Have you ever considered a career in the world of pharmaceuticals? On Thursday 1st July, 9:00 - 16:00 GSK will be hosting their Virtual Summer Work Experience Day to which you're invited.

This is the only event GSK will be running over the summer so if you like the sound of learning from some of the world's leading scientists as they talk all about the pharmaceuticals and healthcare industry then this is the opportunity you've been waiting for!

The online event is open to: Y10, Y11

GSK is a science-led global healthcare company with a special purpose: to help people do more, feel better, live longer. "Turning that purpose into reality starts with our employee experience, because we know when we feel at our best, we perform at our best."

If you'd like to apply to this exclusive event, please click on the registration link below.

**Registration Link:** 

https://www.research.net/r/GSK-Work-Experience

