



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

Here we are at the end of a fairly short, but packed week! Year 8 enjoyed a STEM Day on Thursday, with a number of local employers helping out - and students learning about all aspects of engineering and robotics (or rather, cobotics). People who follow STEM Careers tend to earn more - so something to consider when Year 8s come to choose their GCSE options next year.



Speaking of STEM - on Tuesday we have a couple of STEM Ambassadors from Raytheon Technologies in school to launch the Quadcopter Challenge for 2023. Any Year 8s are welcome to take part - see Miss Berry for more details.

We also launched a new partnership with St Catherine's Hospice - there are a number of events advertised in this issue, with many more planned. They can also support with Work Experience and Duke of Edinburgh volunteering - keep an eye on the bulletin for more details.

Year 10 will have an assembly next week to choose their subjects for the Runshaw College taster day in July. This is a great opportunity to try new subjects - after all, once they get to Year 11 they will very soon be making their college applications!

There are some fantastic apprenticeship opportunities on offer at NSG Environmental - please note, these are for 17-18 year olds, not school leavers, but if anyone has older siblings who are looking for their next step - these are well worth applying for.

Work Experience Week is getting closer - if anyone is struggling to find a placement, they need to let me know as soon as possible. I do have a number of offers from local employers, but obviously, we would prefer students to find their own placements if possible. There are some students who I know have been offered placements, but have not yet returned their placement booklets. You are in danger of losing your place if I allocate someone else to that business, so please get those booklets in to me as soon as possible!

Lots more inside - conferences, webinars, open events, apprenticeship vacancies, podcasts and of course, career of the week - which this week is Event Manager. I imagine there will have been hundreds of event managers involved in this weekend's Coronation celebrations!



*Have a lovely Coronation Bank Holiday weekend!*

8th - 12th May 2023



PARKLANDS



Family

Colour Run

Party

walk hop  
skip  
dance

The BIGGEST event of the year

£6.50pp - includes a  
pair of sunglasses  
(which must be worn).

Open to all year groups, staff  
& family members but there  
are limited numbers, so book  
now via Scopay to avoid  
disappointment!

You can run, walk  
or even dance  
around the  
field!



All proceeds will go to 'Shine for  
Sally' in memory of Sally Cornes,  
raising money for local charities

THURSDAY  
11th May 2023  
at 3.20pm  
on the school field



Email: [lsullivanbrown@parklandsacademy.co.uk](mailto:lsullivanbrown@parklandsacademy.co.uk) for more details





### **Engineering: The Ladybug Podcast**

The content of this podcast varies quite widely from episode to episode; some are very technical discussions about web development or web security, while others cover technical books; some are about software engineering interviews and career progression, and others discuss soft skills and personal development.

Pick whatever appeals to you!

The hosts are four accomplished software developers from different backgrounds (with and without Computer Science degrees), and they all have interesting advice to give.

[Watch here](#)



### **OxBright Careers Test**

Have you tried our new Career Test yet?

Take the short test to see what careers would best suit you (plus some resource recommendations, tips and advice from our expert team).

[Discover Your Career Options](#)



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# Training 2000

# Aspiring Clubs for year 10, 11 and 12

## 2023/24

Our Aspiring Clubs are aimed at giving you a taste of life as an apprentice. Whether you are an Aspiring Engineer or interested in becoming an Optician, we have lots of options available.



### Aspiring Engineers

A 6 week course delivered in engineering workshops on a Saturday morning covering:

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

#### When:

Date TBC - please register your interest on the website and we'll let you know as soon as the next Aspiring Club is confirmed

#### Cost:

There is a small cost to cover materials which is £20



### Aspiring Automotive Technicians

A 6 week course delivered in automotive workshop on a Saturday morning covering:

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

#### When:

Date TBC - please register your interest on the website and we'll let you know as soon as the next Aspiring Club is confirmed

#### Cost:

There is a small cost to cover materials which is £20

[www.training2000.co.uk /aspiring-clubs](http://www.training2000.co.uk/aspiring-clubs)

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## Aspiring Accountants

A 3 hour taster session covering:

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

### When:

Mon 3rd July 2023 | 9.30am - 12.30pm  
Mon 12th February 2024 | 9.30am - 12.30pm



## Aspiring Business Professionals

A 3 hour taster session looking at:

- Decision making
- Prioritising
- Project planning
- Communication in the workplace

### When:

Mon 3rd July 2023 | 1pm - 4.30pm  
Mon 12th February 2024 | 1pm - 4.30pm



## Aspiring Dental Nurses

A 3 hour taster session introducing you to:

- 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

### When:

Mon 17th July 2023 | 9.30am - 12.30pm  
Mon 11th March 2024 | 9.30am - 12.30pm



## Aspiring Optical and Healthcare Professionals

A 3 hour taster session looking at:

- Eye conditions
- Demonstration of magnifiers
- Different prescriptions and trial frames
- First aid and CPR
- Bandaging activity
- Recovery position activity

### When:

Monday 17th July 2023 | 1 - 4pm  
Monday 11th March 2024 | 1 - 4pm

# Interested?

For more information and to book visit our website  
or email [info@t2000.co.uk](mailto:info@t2000.co.uk).

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There's still time to join us on **Thursday 11th May** at 12pm, as we aim to help your students feel motivated, inspired and driven going into their exams.

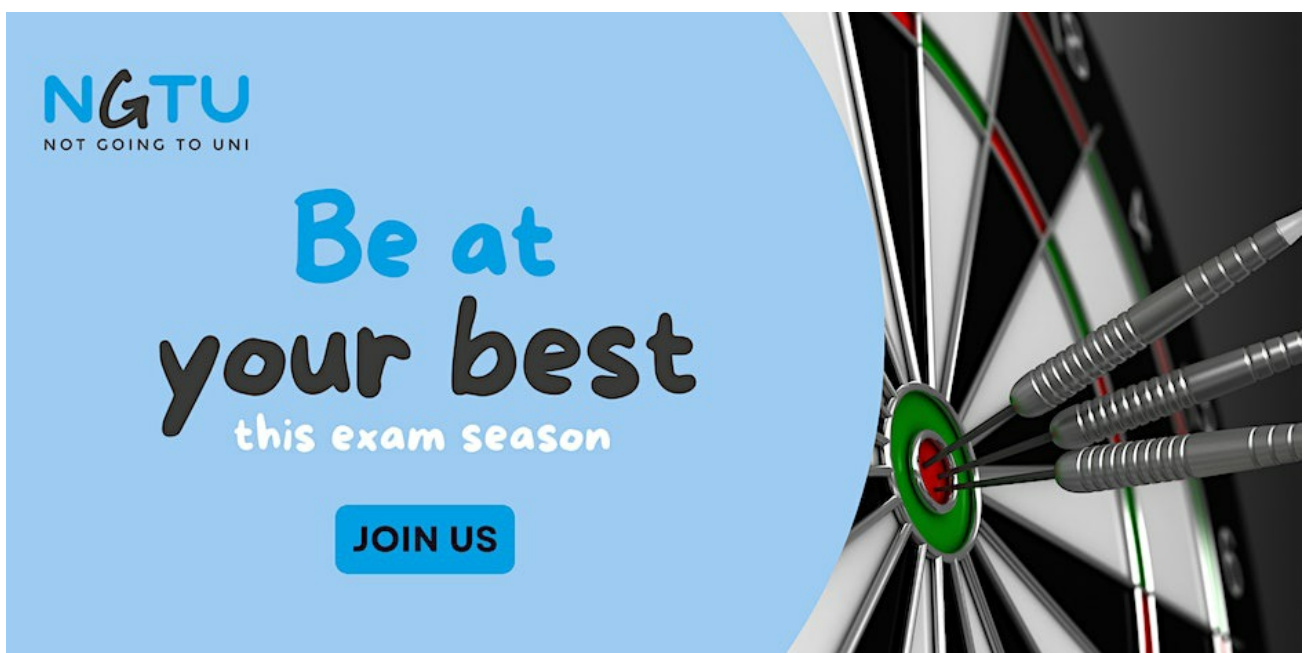
We have partnered with the fantastic **Sam Moinet** from **The Student Breakthrough** to deliver this inspiring talk.

He will be discussing:

- How to feel confident during exam season
- His advice on dealing with anxiety and stress
- Top tips to stay motivated
- His inspiring success story
- and so much more!

We can't wait to see you there!

**[RESERVE YOUR FREE SPOT NOW](#)**





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# MOONLIGHT & MEMORIES WALK

SATURDAY 3RD JUNE, 8PM  
ST CATHERINE'S PARK, LOSTOCK HALL

ALL WELCOME - £15 for adults and £10 for children including 2023 event t-shirt and medal  
SIGN UP at [www.stcatherines.co.uk](http://www.stcatherines.co.uk) or call 01772 629171

## Apprenticeship, Employer & Adult Education Showcase

Come and see what you can be in 2023!

Wednesday 10 May, 4:30-7pm  
@ our Leyland Campus



September  
start adult  
courses!

Job  
opportunities  
with our Partner  
Employers!

Start an  
Apprenticeship  
with us!



Apprenticeships

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Date: Wednesday 10th May 2023

Time: 4:30pm - 7pm (employer set up from 4pm)

Location: Runshaw College, Langdale Road, Leyland. PR25 3DQ

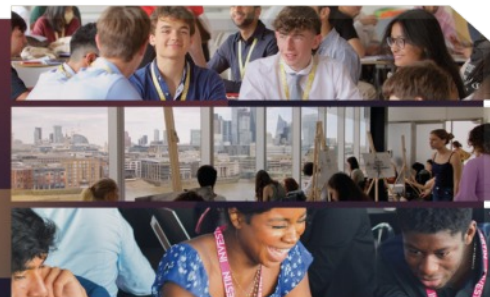


# Get Career Ready This Summer

*Free Webinar for Students & Parents*

*Tuesday 16th May 18:00*

## GET CAREER READY THIS SUMMER



**Free webinar for  
students & parents on  
making the most of the  
summer holidays**

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**4.9/5** from 1,400+  
Trustpilot Reviews

The summer holidays are a great chance for students to unwind but can also be a very useful time for them to upskill and prepare for their future careers.

**Both parents and students can join us for an evening webinar as we provide advice and guidance on how to succeed over the summer holidays, including:**

- What the job market looks like today and the key skills employers are looking for
- Practical tips on what students can be doing over summer to get ahead in their career development
- How InvestIN can support students in their careers over the summer holidays

**This event will take place via Zoom at 18:00 UK time on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Recordings will be sent to all registrants, so interested parents and students should sign up even if they are unable to attend.**

**This event is free-of-charge and for both parents and students.**

**[VIEW & REGISTER](#)**



# Summer Career Experiences in London



**THE ULTIMATE  
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**JULY & AUGUST 2023**  
**AGES 12-18 | IN LONDON**

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We are almost full for our Summer Career Experiences and expect to close registration in the next few days.

Shadow doctors in a London hospital; trade the stock market in a London skyscraper; explore supercars with Formula 1 engineers; argue a human rights case in the Supreme Court; and much much more!

[Register Now: Ages 15-18](#)

[Register Now: Ages 12-14](#)



"IT'S WORTH EVERY SINGLE SECOND OF YOUR TIME"  
Sanya, Student ★★★★★

"I NOW KNOW WHAT I WANT TO DO WITH THE REST OF MY LIFE"  
Melisa, Student ★★★★★

"I'VE GOT MORE OUT OF THIS EXPERIENCE THAN I EVER THOUGHT I WOULD!"  
Ashleigh, Student ★★★★★

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# WE ARE HIRING!

## **APPRENTICE HEALTH PHYSICS MONITORS AND DECOMMISSIONING OPERATIVES**

UK-WIDE SITE-BASED WORK  
WITH FULL TRAINING PROVIDED

**APPLY HERE!**

There is an industry shortage of health physics monitors and decommissioning operatives, and we are looking to recruit 8-10 eager learners to help us fill this gap! This is an exciting opportunity to work at a growing and supportive company within a dynamic and thriving industry.

Our apprentices are allocated a dedicated NSG mentor and supported by the best institutions across the UK in their studies. You will have the chance to work at sites across the UK, with travel and site allowances paid for to ensure you are comfortable wherever you are based. Contact us using the email address below for more information.

**[careers@nsgltd.com](mailto:careers@nsgltd.com)**



## WHAT WILL I DO IN THE ROLE?

Health physics monitors and decommissioning operatives are a crucial part of all the site work that takes place in nuclear environments. As a health physics monitor, you will learn to monitor radiation levels to protect people, plant and the environment from contamination.

You will have to go through vetting — which can take some time — but whilst you wait, you will complete theoretical and practical courses both externally and at our state-of-the-art training centre.



## THE BENEFITS OF WORKING AT NSG

- Competitive starting salary with planned increases and discretionary bonuses.
- Full training provided and paid for.
- Further development opportunities.
- 25 days' holiday plus all bank holidays.
- Healthcare plan, life assurance and private pension scheme.
- Enhanced payment policies for sickness, maternity, paternity and shared parental leave.

## ROLE REQUIREMENTS

- A\*-C (or equivalent) in GCSE Maths and English: The role does require calculations and writing reports — the rest we can teach you!
- UK driving licence: The role will require travel to sites, so you will need to be able to drive yourself (with expenses paid).
- Communication skills.
- Polite, friendly, reliable and punctual.



# Yellow Ribbon Day

Sunday 25 June 11am-4pm

St Catherine's Park, Lostock Hall

Registered charity number 512186



Enjoy a family-fun day out in support of St Catherine's Hospice at our popular Yellow Ribbon Day garden fete.

Entertainment | Activities | Food | Attractions

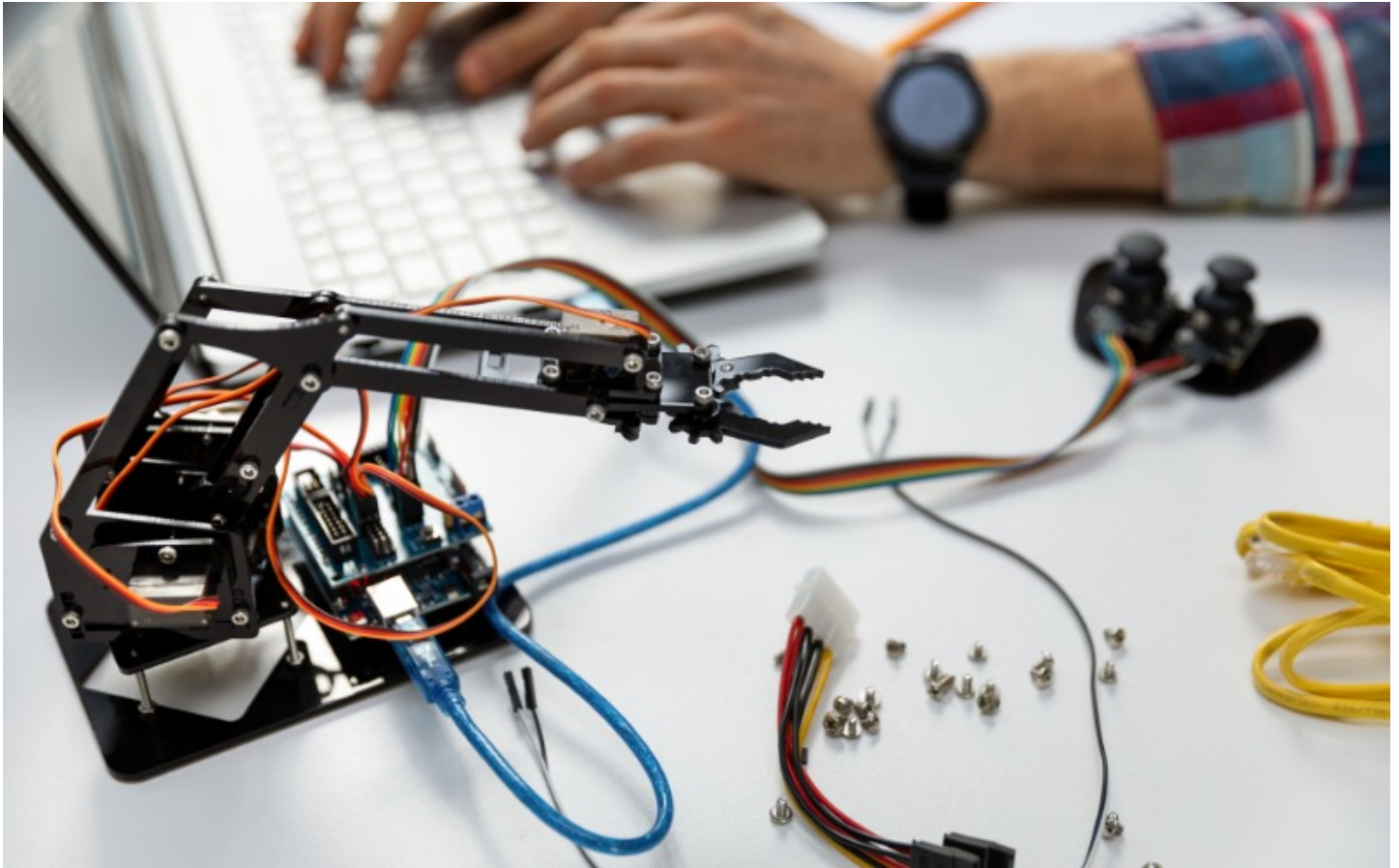
Our gardens will be decorated with hundreds of yellow ribbons featuring names of people being remembered this summer.

For the latest event updates  
connect with us on social  
media@StCatherinesPre  
or visit [www.stcatherines.co.uk](http://www.stcatherines.co.uk)



Go Yellow, show  
your support! Bring a splash  
of sunshine to our special day  
whatever the weather by  
wearing something yellow





## Robotics engineer apprenticeship

**Specify, design, build, program and test robotic systems or solutions intended to do automated jobs**

This occupation is found in technology or engineering, across a range of sectors such as manufacturing, retail, healthcare and transportation. As a robotics engineer apprentice, you could find yourself often operating with a considerable degree of autonomy, leading teams that develop and deploy robotic systems. The broad purpose of the job is to specify, design, build, program and test robotic systems intended to do automated jobs in industries such as manufacturing, construction, logistics, aerospace and medicine, as well as robots that interact with people or in public spaces and warehouses. You'll be responsible for the design, development, integration, programming and deployment of robotic systems, working to project timescales, with a firm knowledge of safety regulations, ethical issues, sustainability, cost, reliability, maintenance, and implementation.

Duration: 48 months

Relevant school subjects: Engineering, design and technology

Entry requirements for the robotics engineer apprenticeship: Five GCSEs including maths, English and double science, and A-levels in STEM subjects such as maths, physics, ICT, computing and electronics

Achievement upon completion: Level 6 (Degree) - equivalent to a bachelor's degree

Potential salary upon completion: £35,000 per annum

# JOIN OUR FREE STUDENT PROGRAMME!



**YEAR 9-13 STUDENTS**



Scan this QR code to sign up.

## WHAT DO YOU GET OUT OF IT?

Attend FREE employer events including work experience days.

Apply for apprenticeship and work experience opportunities directly from our website.

1-2-1 mentoring support sessions available for book every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday during term time.

Access to written and video resources.

*"It was a great experience going through Pathway CTM, it gave me an insight into my future career providing me with lots of opportunities!"*

Just a few of the 50+ employers we work with!



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# **Bolton College**

## **Apprenticeship Open Events**

**Deane Road Campus**

**Wednesday 17th May 5pm to 7.30pm**  
**Wednesday 14th June 5pm to 7.30pm**

**Learn about the benefits of an Apprenticeship, including:**

- Earning a salary
- Gaining nationally recognised qualifications
- Learning job-specific skills from industry specialists
- Plus receive on-the-job training and support to achieve your goals
- Register now and access Apprenticeship resources



**Register: [www.boltoncollege.ac.uk/app-open](http://www.boltoncollege.ac.uk/app-open)**



# ALLIED HEALTHCARE MENTOR

I'm Tanya, midwife and Chief Midwife Mentor and AHP Mentor. I'm writing to let you know that I am launching my virtual **Get into Midwifery conference** on **Saturday 3rd June** (2pm - 7pm). Your students in all year groups are invited!

Registration link: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/national-healthcare-insight-conference/>

I will lead your students through the entire process of applying to midwifery and what day-to-day life in the profession actually entails. This is a fantastic opportunity for both students pursuing midwifery and those undecided. Student admissions teams notice those who go the extra mile to make an informed course course and career decision.

The Get into Midwifery conference is here by popular demand, so I would greatly appreciate it if you forwarded this to your students.

## **Get into Nursing Conference - Saturday 3rd June (9:30am - 12:30pm)**

Registration link: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/national-healthcare-insight-conference/>

For students interested in nursing, Chief Nurse Mentor Abbie Dickinson will host a virtual **Get into Nursing conference** on **Saturday 3rd June**.

Abbie will break down UCAS for nurses and what applicants need to get admitted to a highly popular profession.

Your students just need to click the link below and enrol on the conference of their choice. As it's important to hear from a variety of healthcare perspectives, they are more than welcome to attend both!

<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/national-healthcare-insight-conference/>

Tickets are £10 to cover administrative and technological costs.

It's crucial for future nurses to hear from a variety of perspectives, so Abbie is very excited to see your students there!

I look forward to helping your students choose healthcare.

Kindest regards,

**Tanya Sztuka**

Chief Midwife Mentor





**This is a reminder that the next NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience is coming up on Sunday May 7th.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Kindest Regards,

Work Experience Team  
Allied Healthcare Mentor



# ALLIED HEALTHCARE MENTOR



In partnership with NHS England, we would like to invite your students to a Healthcare Virtual Careers Chat themed on Allied Health Professional (AHP) roles on Wednesday 24th May, 11:00am - 12:00pm.

From physiotherapists and paramedics to dieticians and diagnostic radiographers, AHP's carry out a vital part in our healthcare and there are numerous opportunities for students looking to get in to the sector.

The chat is aimed at students in years 9 to 11, where they'll have the opportunity to hear from a panel of Allied Health Professionals who will share insight into their roles, pathways into them and entry requirements, and tips for preparing to get your foot in the door. We'll also have Q&A's throughout where students can send in questions for the panel.

If you'd like to attend, please complete our registration form on the link below. Students can sign up individually by putting their name/s, school and email, and N/A for all other fields. The session will not be recorded, however if you're unable to make this we can keep you posted on future sessions.

Healthcare Careers Chat: Allied Health Professionals

24 May 2023 11:00 AM London

[https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_5HWynqySSxCNWyZkqi0t8Q](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_5HWynqySSxCNWyZkqi0t8Q)

Please get in touch with any questions! Updates will be shared with registrants.





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Training provider: North Lancs Training Group Ltd

VAC1000159171

L2 Apprentice Upholsterer at Teal Furniture  
Training provider: North Lancs Training Group Ltd

VAC1000159063 x 2

L3 Business Admin Operations Apprentice at FI Real Estate Management Ltd.  
Training provider; Runshaw College

VAC1000160031

Level 3 AAT Diploma Apprenticeship at Taziker Industrial Ltd  
Training provider: The Apprentice Academy Ltd

VAC1000159724 x 2

L3 Business Administration Apprentice at S&S Northern Ltd  
Training provider: Runshaw College

VAC1000159304

L3 Manufacturing Apprentice at Craig Specialist Services Ltd  
Training provider: Training 2000 Ltd

VAC1000158884

L2 Apprentice Business Administrator at The Anderton Centre, Chorley

VC0803

L3 Craft Apprentice at William Hare Ltd., Bury

VC0808 x 5

The above apprenticeships are with Alliance Learning. The L3 positions are paying £280 per week! You will spend most of the first year at Alliance, then go to your company for four days a week, one day at Alliance.

Don't forget that you will still need good GCSE grades in English and Maths for an apprenticeship.

### **Apprenticeship, Employer & Adult Education Showcase**

Date: Wednesday 10th May 2023

Time: 4:30pm - 7pm (employer set up from 4pm)

Location: Runshaw College, Langdale Road, Leyland. PR25 3DQ

Drinks and biscuits will be available throughout the evening

Parking: Free parking on site. Once you have confirmed attendance you will receive an e-mail prior to the event for your visitor and parking pass.

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

Also check out the vacancies at [Alliance Learning](#) and [Training 2000](#)





# CAREER *of the* WEEK

## EVENT MANAGER

If you have high organisation and interpersonal skills and thrive in a fast-paced environment, consider a career as an event manager.

Event managers plan and organise promotional, business and social events. They're responsible for running a range of events, ensuring the target audience is engaged and the message of the event is marketed properly. Events play a huge part in the success of a brand or an organisation.

As an event manager, you'll organise conferences, seminars and exhibitions, as well as parties and corporate incentive trips.

You'll manage the whole process from the planning stage, right through to running the event and carrying out the post-event evaluation. The role is primarily hands-on and often involves working as part of a team.

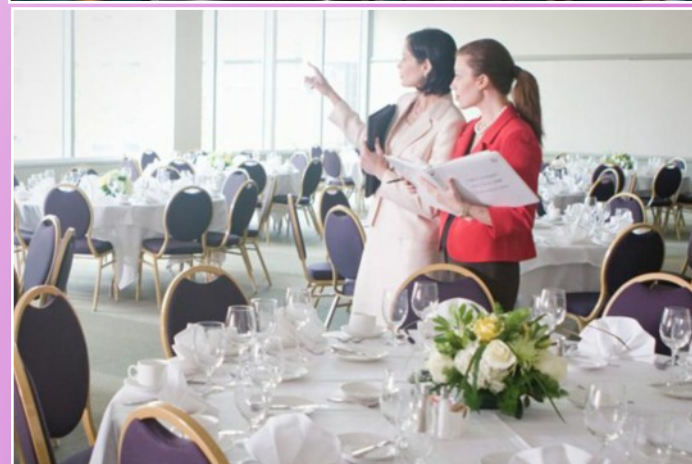
### Responsibilities

As an event manager, you'll need to:

- liaise with clients to find out their exact event requirements
- produce detailed proposals for events (including timelines, venues, suppliers, legal obligations, staffing and budgets)
- research venues, suppliers and contractors, then negotiate prices and hire
- manage and coordinate suppliers and all event logistics (for example, venue, catering, travel)
- liaise with sales and marketing teams to publicise and promote the event
- manage all pre-event planning, organising guest speakers and delegate packs
- coordinate suppliers, handle client queries and troubleshoot on the day of the event to ensure that all runs smoothly and to budget
- manage a team of staff, giving full briefings
- organise facilities for car parking, traffic control, security, first aid, hospitality and the media
- make sure that insurance, legal, health and safety obligations are followed
- oversee the dismantling and removal of the event and clear the venue efficiently
- produce post-event evaluation to inform future events
- research opportunities for new clients and events

### What to expect

- Although the work is largely office based, you'll need to travel to visit clients, partners, sponsors, venues and other suppliers. You may need to work outside to plan and deliver the event, such as an outdoors concert or festival.
- Jobs are available throughout the UK, often in larger towns and cities, or locations with large conference and event venues.
- Self-employment and freelance work are possible once you've got experience and an established network of contacts.
- Depending on the kind of event you're working on, you may need to spend time away from home either in the UK or abroad.



[Find out more here](#)