

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

It's National Careers Week - and we have our Careers Fair at the end of the week for all of Year 9, 10 and 11. We are expecting a large number of exhibitors from colleges, universities, apprenticeship and training providers and, of course, employers. Look out for a report and pictures in next week's edition of Career News.

There are a couple more careers and employment fairs coming up, including Chorley
Council's event on 14th March in the Town Hall (5.00pm - 8.00pm) and the North West
Apprenticeship and Careers Expo on 21st March at Preston Guild Hall, from 12 noon until
7.00pm. There will be employers at all of these events who will have vacancies or are looking to take on an apprentice, so don't miss out. Take a CV along, or ask about work experience opportunities.

Also inside this issue:

- A spotlight on RAF apprenticeships, with webinars explaining more about the range of roles available.
- InvestIN are showcasing their free student webinars and their summer career experiences, which are almost full - so don't delay if you were thinking of taking part.
- Pathway CTM are offering their free 15 minute support sessions with an adviser so if you have any questions about CVs, interviews or applications, just book a session on the website.
- Young Professionals are highlighting an opportunity to hear from the UK Government's Defence Nuclear Enterprise in a virtual insight evening on 13th March. They are launching some new apprenticeships and offering a mini project to get involved with don't miss this one.
- National Careers Week has a number of high profile sponsors, one of which is Maritime Careers, responsible for enabling 95% of the UK's global trade. Find out more about the vast array of careers on offer and the various entry routes.
- The Medic Mentor family have a huge range of events on offer for aspiring medics, dentists and vets
 to take part in, from free conferences to work experience and medical societies. Scan any of the QR
 codes to find out more and give yourself a huge advantage when it comes to applying for university
 places.
- In other news, well done to those Year 10s who have already confirmed their Work Experience placements. When you have identified an employer, you need to collect a Placement Information Pack from the Top Office. There is a useful guide to completing this on the Careers Google Classroom. However, I am still missing a number of consent forms that were issued in January! All the documents for WEX are on the school website, including a handy planner and a guide to finding work experience.
- College interviews in school for Wigan & Leigh College 22nd March, and Runshaw College 23rd and 24th March. The schedule will be posted outside the Top Office and a reminder put on the daily bulletin. The final deadline for college applications is 1st April.





Apprenticeships within RAF Logistics

Applications open for logistic apprenticeships with the RAF

Become an apprentice Chef, Driver, Mover, Supplier or Air & Ground Steward



Did you know you could be a Chef with the Royal Air Force? Or an Air Steward?

The Royal Air Force offer an exciting range of apprenticeships that give you opportunities that you won't find in any other career.

With **logistics vacancies available** across England in roles such as a Chef, Mover, Driver, Supplier or Air & Ground Steward, the RAF can provide an exciting career for apprentices who want to be a key part of **the team that keep the RAF moving**.

Voted as one of England's **Top 100 Apprenticeship Employers (2022)**, the RAF offer the **very best training**, a chance for apprentices to travel the world, play sport and perform an important role in the RAF, whilst also **gaining a qualification** and getting **paid to learn**.

Find out more about the amazing apprenticeships available and how you can apply by registering for our webinar or exploring our website below.

Next steps



Join the RAF Logistics webinar

Join apprentices & colleagues from the RAF Logistics team on **Wednesday 29th March** between **3pm - 4pm** to find out more about the different roles available, how to apply and what it's like to be an apprentice with the RAF.

Register Here



Visit our website

Explore the different roles available within logistics in the RAF and find out more about how to apply by visiting our website.

Visit Here

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Free Career Webinars For Ages 12-18

Law | Medicine | Finance



To celebrate the UK's National Careers Week, we shall be running a series of free webinars this month for ages 12-18. Your students will have the opportunity to learn from professionals from the worlds of Medicine, Finance and Law, and ask them questions in a live online, interactive environment.

Medicine: 14th March

Law: 21st March

Finance: 28th March

The sessions will take place at 18:00 UK time, but recordings will be sent to all students that register, so interested students should book their places even if they are unable to attend.

We have also created a guide to help students make the most out of National Careers Week here.

VIEW & REGISTER

INVESTIN

Summer Career Experiences in London



We are already more than 75% full for our Summer Career Experiences, as record-breaking numbers of students from around the world have registered for the internship of a lifetime in London.

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





Chorley Student & Employer Event

- •Tuesday 14th March 2023, 5pm till 8pm
- Lancastrian Suite, Chorley Council

The Chorley Student & Employers Event will provide an opportunity for you to meet with people from various companies, learn more about their vacancies, and build new relationships with potential employers!

We are expecting over 50 businesses at the Lancastrian Suite, Chorley Council on Tuesday 14th March to join us for this exciting event. It will be a great way for students to explore different career paths and industries, learn about job requirements, and get a sense of what it's like to work in a particular field.

This event will provide access to career advisors, industry experts, and other resources that can help individuals navigate the apprenticeship and careers process and make informed decisions about their chosen career paths, so why not get involved - **after all, it's free!**

To find out more information, visit **@shoutfutures** on Facebook & LinkedIn, for daily updates regarding this event.





Careers within the UK Government / Civil Service with Defence Nuclear Enterprise

Are you curious to uncover the mysteries of a top-secret UK government defence agency? Do you think you have what it takes to work for such a high-security organisation? We are so excited to announce that we have an additional event coming up with one of the highest profile / top secret defence agencies in the United Kingdom, DNE!

The Defence Nuclear Enterprise (DNE) operates as a top-tier security organisation under the umbrella of the UK's Ministry of Defence. Their robust military forces and strategic partnerships with allies both home and overseas help maintain national security, advance our interests, and protect the prosperity of the UK. As one of the most fulfilling careers in the civil service, working for the government is an exceptional opportunity for school leavers looking to kickstart their working life.

On **Monday 13**th **March**, between **5pm-6pm** we will be hosting a virtual Insight Evening with DNE which will be largely focused on DNE's Diversity and Inclusion programmes within the workplace! This will also give you the chance to learn more about the defence industry, as well enabling you to gain some stimulating work experience as there will be an exclusive mini project for you to take part in, giving you an insight into the sort of thrilling projects DNE staff work on day-to-day!

DNE are also launching some really exciting, brand new apprenticeship programmes which the team will discuss in detail throughout the webinar. As a school leaver, these programmes can be your stepping stone straight into the world of national security so if you're looking to start your career off with an exciting role within civil services, this could be your perfect opportunity!

Places for this event are strictly limited due to the project element of the webinar, so if you'd like to apply please do so ASAP.

Application Link:

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WG295H6









Register now for the #NWAPPEXPO2023 at www.nwappexpo.co.uk and take the first step in developing your career!

Registering to attend #NWAPPEXPO2023 is completely free, for more information please visit: www.nwappexpo.co.uk









Follow us to stay up-to-date on event news, updates & more!











21st March 2023 From 12pm til 7pm

Preston Guild Hall

Lancaster Rd, PR1 1HT

Book your place at #NWAppExpo2023!

The North West Apprenticeship & Careers Expo 2023 takes place at Preston Guild Hall on Tuesday 21st March from 12.00 midday until 7.00pm

Are you...

- Ready to kickstart your career?
- A business, keen to boost growth through apprenticeships or other career paths?
- An education or training provider, ready to deliver apprenticeship programmes?

Register to Attend

Exhibit with us

The North West Apprenticeship & Careers Expo 2023 is for you

✓ The North West's number one apprenticeship and careers expo connects career-hungry applicants with businesses and education and training providers in a relaxed, open atmosphere where conversations lead to career opportunities and business growth.

✓ Leading employers from a wide range of business sectors exhibit at this event. They know it is the ideal opportunity for meeting potential apprentices to fill a diversity of roles.

✓ Local universities, colleges and training providers value the opportunity to chat openly about upcoming apprenticeship and career opportunities with the people they want to connect with most: new apprentices.

✓ Schools bring groups of students to the North West Apprenticeship & Careers Expo to introduce them to employers and further education providers to help them decide on a future career.

Ready to exhibit?

To find out more about exhibiting at the North West Apprenticeship & Careers Expo 2023, contact futures@shoutexpo.com.

Want to attend for free?

Register to attend this event by going to our website or scan the QR code on the previous page.





Endless opportunities for your students!

We want to share with you the current employers we work with who have **Work Experience** and **Apprenticeship** opportunities that students in Years 9-13 can apply to. All of these opportunities are on our website where students can apply from and we offer support with their application. These opportunities close within this month so please be quick!

We are now offering students the option to book a **15 minute session** every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during term time. These sessions are for students wanting support with applications, interviews, CV's etc. Students can book their session via our website.

Click the link below to view the current employers have LIVE opportunities.

Alternatively view our opportunities page <u>here</u>.

Employer Opportunities





APPRENTICESHIP & WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES TO APPLY FOR

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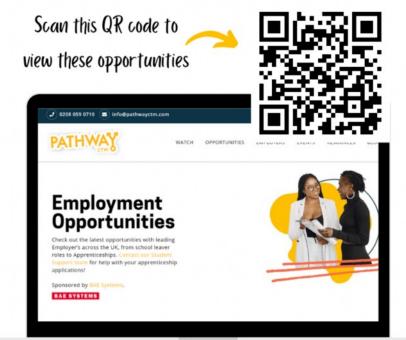








Opportunities close this month!



Want support with your application?

Book in your 15 minute support session on Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday during term time!

Book your session via our website: www.pathwayctm.com



Coming Soon! THURS 27 APR

TUES 23 MAY

TUES 27 JUN

NATIONAL **APPRENTICESHIP WEBINARS PROGRAMME**

2023

HEADLINE SPONSOR







HEAR LIVE FROM LEADING TELECOMS ORGANISATION VIRGIN MEDIA 02

This series aims to help parents, carers, teachers, career leads and students explore alternative pathways into a variety of careers. It will cover:

- Levels of apprenticeships and what they mean
- When to apply and what the process might look like
- What an apprenticeship might offer and the various careers it can lead into









PROGRAMME SCHEDULE SUPPORTED BY



National Careers Week 2023

Wednesday - Sponsored by MaritimeUK





Explore Maritime

Responsible for enabling 95% of the UK's global trade, maritime touches every part of our lives. Quite simply, without maritime, half the world would freeze, and half the world would starve.

From working at sea or in a port, to working in the City of London, to cleaning the oceans of plastics or designing a superyacht, maritime is big business. We add more to the economy than both rail and aviation combined. Working in maritime is exciting, rewarding and unlike any other industry.

With the sector expected to double in size to \$3trn by 2030, we need the next generation of innovators and problem solvers to join the industry and help shape the future of the world we live in.

There are lots of different routes into a career in maritime, including a university qualification or an apprenticeship.

We've got loads of great new content to explore this year, accessible through the Virtual Careers Fair.

Visit our VCF page here



Happy Careers Week! We have so many exciting career opportunities coming up for students in years 10-11, so we've attached all our programmes, including FREE work experience, conferences, and medical, dental, and veterinary societies, to this email.

https://alliedhealthmentor.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/MM-Programmes.pdf

Alternatively, the QR code on the Careers Week poster below takes your student to a student portal where they can get started on free work experience, society meetings, programmes, and more.

https://medicmentor.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Careers-Week.pdf

Choosing a career whilst in school is no easy task, so we want to empower your students to make informed decisions about their future careers in medicine, dentistry, and veterinary medicine. All conferences and programmes are designed to help them do just that.

UPCOMING CAREER EVENTS

FREE, VIRTUAL Get into Medicine Conferences (Years 10-11)

- Saturday 11th March (10am 3:30pm)
- Sunday 12th March (10am 3:30pm)

Dr Laura and I will provide a full guide to the UCAS application process, and what your students need to get into medical school.

Students can register here: https://medicmentor.co.uk/medicine-national-healthcare-weekend/

FREE, VIRTUAL Get into Medicine Conference for INTERNATIONAL Students (Years 10-11)

Dr Ehsan will provide a bespoke conference for international students, including transferable UK-specific skills, personal statements and interviews with UK medical schools as an international applicant.

- Saturday 18th March 12pm 2:30pm (GMT)
- Sunday 19th March 8pm 10:30pm (GMT)

Students can register here: https://medicmentor.co.uk/international-students/

FREE VIRTUAL Medical, Dental, and Veterinary Societies (10-11)

Free-to-join virtual societies led by students and doctors, dentists, and vets. These weekly meetings will allow your students to network with medical professionals across the UK and boost their UCAS applications and CVs.

Students can join by signing up for a student portal here: https://medicmentor.co.uk/the-medic-mentor-portal/

These are just a handful of career opportunities we have for your students. Please feel free to check this link https://alliedhealthmentor.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/MM-Programmes.pdf to find out more and don't hesitate to get in touch!

We look forward to working with your students!

Dr Alok Bahl

Chief Mentor





Scan to register!



Get Into Medicine.

CONFERENCE

Dr Siva and Dr Kennedy will take you step-by-step through your application to medical school.

This includes:

- Application Timelines
 - · Interview Training
- · Personal Statements
 - CV Building
- · Entrance Exams: UCAT & BMAT
- Accessing Medical Leadership Programmes, Awards Programmes and Scholarships to University

You'll also hear from a recently successful applicant on what it takes to make your candidacy to medical school stand out!





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Get Into Dentistry.

CONFERENCE

Dr Alicia Mead will take you step-by-step through your application to dental school.

- Application Timelines
 - · Interview Training
- Personal Statements
 - · CV Building
- · Entrance Exams: UCAT & BMAT
- Accessing Medical Leadership Programmes, Awards Programmes and Scholarships to University

You'll also hear from a recently successful applicant on what it takes to make your candidacy to dental school stand out!



Dr James and Dr May will take you step-by-step through your application to vet school.

This Includes:

- Application Timelines
 - Interview Training
- · Personal Statements
 - CV Building
- Accessing Medical Leadership Programmes, Awards Programmes and Scholarships to University

You'll also hear from a recently successful applicant on what it takes to make your candidacy to vet school stand out!



Dr Ehsan will provide a full guide to applying to a UK medical school.
Including:

- Medical myth busting
- UCAS and application timeline
- How competitive is it to get into medicine as an international applicant?
 - What will make you stand out from other international students
 - Extracurricular activities and transferable skills UK medical schools love
 - Personal statements
 - Academic references
 - Interviews at UK medical schools
- UK medical entrance exams: UCAT and BMAT



about their different specialties, careers, and answer any questions you have.

Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to gain insight into day-to-day life as a Doctor!'





Allied Healthcare Conference

Perfect for students in years 10/S3/NI11 - 13/S6/NI14 considering a career in Allied Healthcare, including:

- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
 - Dietetics

- Radiography
- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Speech and Language
 Therapy
 - Pharmacy

Join for insight into these careers and what you need to get into your chosen profession.



Work experience to enhance your insight into a career in Medicine.



Medical Work Experience

A 6 month immersive virtual work experience programme created and delivered by practicing Doctors. You will follow several patients through primary, secondary, and tertiary care. A new free virtual work experience session is released every month!

Sessions include: G
Acute Medicine SI
Intensive and Critical Care G
Obstetrics and Gynaecology

General Practice
Surgery
Geriatrics and Palliative Care

When you complete the full 6-month programme will be awarded a Work Experience certificate to add to your UCAS application!





Dental Work Experience

A 4 month immersive virtual work experience programme created and delivered by practicing Dentists. You will follow several patients through a range of Dental consultations, procedures, and scenarios. A new free virtual work experience session is released every month!

Sessions include:
New Patients - Child and
Adult Consultations
Paediatric Dentistry

Public Health and Oral Surgery Dental Hygiene, Dentures, and Difficult Discussions

When you complete the full 4-month programme will be awarded a Work Experience certificate to add to your UCAS application!





Veterinary Work Experience

A 6-month immersive virtual work experience created a delivered by practicing Vets. You will follow a range of patients and their owners through different clinical scenarios.

Sessions include:

Lambing

Small Animal Practice &

General Health

Equine Veterinary Medicine

Mixed Clinical Practice

Veterinary Ethics and Animal

Welfare

Surgery

When you complete the full 6-month programme will be awarded a Work Experience certificate to add to your UCAS application!





Each seperate society is led by their own Doctors, Vets and Dentists and it's dedicated student committee. The virtual societies meet weekly to discuss UCAS, Medicine, careers and hear from amazing guest speakers from a variety of professional about their medical journey.

Meetings happen at 5:45pm every Tuesday on Zoom and are open to all aspiring Doctors, Dentists, and Vets in years 10/S3/NIII – 13/S6/NII4.









This is a reminder about the upcoming NHS Virtual Work Experience Programme coming up soon. Register now!

Students can register using the link below:

https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/

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

Students should check their spam folders and mark their attendance on the day in order to receive their Work Experience Certificates.

This programme is suitable for students in years 10 and 11 who are interested in the following careers:

Nursing Midwifery

Paramedicine Physiotherapy

Occupational Therapy Dietetics

Radiography Prosthetics and Orthotics

Pharmacy Speech and Language Therapy

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

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

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

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

https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhshealthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/





VIRTUAL NHS HEALTHCARE CAREERS **WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAMME**

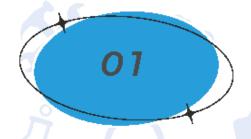
- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy · Osteopath
- Dietetics

- Radiography
- Podiatry
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Pharmacy
- Prosthetics and Orthotics

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WHAT OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP YOU INTO THE





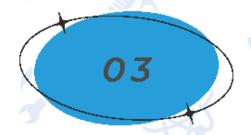
APPRENTICESHIPS

APPRENTICESHIPS ARE WHEN YOU WORK FOR 80% OF THE WEEK AND GO TO YOUR TRAINING PROVIDER FOR 20% OF THE WEEK. APPRENTICES HAVE ALL THE SAME RIGHTS AS OTHER MEMBERS OF STAFF.



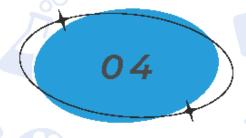
ENTRY-LEVEL JOBS

THIS MEANS YOU ARE LEAVING EDUCATION AND GOING INTO A "NORMAL" JOB. THERE ARE NO FORMAL QUALIFICATIONS THAT YOU RECEIVE, BUT YOU MAY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE PART IN TRAINING OFFERED BY THE EMPLOYER.



GAP YEARS

THIS IS WHEN YOU SPEND A YEAR OUT OF EDUCATION, THIS MAY BE SPENT GETTING EXPERIENCE IN A WORKPLACE, TRAVELLING OR VOLUNTEERING. THESE ARE ONLY A GOOD IDEA IF YOU HAVE A PLAN AFTERWARDS.



COURSES

COURSES ARE A GREAT WAY TO PERFECT OR IMPROVE SKILLSETS YOU MAY NEED FOR CERTAIN ROLES. YOU MAY DECIDE TO TAKE A COURSE BEFORE APPLYING FOR APPRENTICESHIPS OR ENTRY-LEVEL ROLES.



TRAINEESHIPS

TRAINEESHIPS ARE SIMILAR TO
APPRENTICESHIPS BUT THE KEY DIFFERENCE
IS THAT YOU DO NOT GET PAID FOR
TRAINEESHIPS, THEY ARE A WAY FOR YOU TO
EARN A QUALIFICATION AND GAIN SKILLS.





Career of the Week is finally back - in National Careers Week! However, we are not just looking at one career, but a number of careers under the same umbrella

10 ALTERNATIVE SCIENCE CAREERS

One of the main misconceptions about science careers is that they all involve white lab coats, petri dishes and test tubes. This couldn't be further from the truth as there are a variety of alternative options.

Communication and outreach

This area of work is about sharing scientific knowledge and information with non-experts, and explaining or presenting it in an easy to understand way. For example, you could work as a Science writer or journalist, Museum education officer or Event manager. Your job could involve presenting scientific findings to the government, or visiting schools and universities to promote science-related subjects and activities.

Medical sales

Medical sales representatives work for pharmaceutical companies and sell medicines, medical equipment and prescription drugs to healthcare professionals such as GPs, hospital doctors, pharmacists, nurses and dentists.

Consultancy

Management consulting is an attractive option for scientists who are searching for a career outside research. It gives you the chance to apply your scientific background and analytical skills to solving client problems, such as improving the efficiency of manufacturing processes.

Publishing

Jobs in this field are incredibly competitive but you could use the knowledge gained from a scientific degree to work for a specialist publisher.

Science publishing, both online and print, tends to focus on the production of books, scientific journals, textbooks and revision guides. Jobs can be found in production, proofreading and editorial.

Intellectual property and patent law

Scientists with an interest in the law may want to consider a career as a patent attorney, patent examiner, solicitor, or trade mark attorney. Patent attorneys assess whether inventions are new and innovative and therefore eligible to be patented.

If you'd like to become a solicitor you could put your scientific background to good use in areas such as intellectual property and environmental law.

Manufacturing and production

The engineering and manufacturing industry offers plenty of alternative careers for those with a science background. You could become a:

Health and safety inspector, Product/process development scientist, Quality manager or Nuclear engineer.

Teaching

If you'd like to share your passion for science with future generations, you should consider teaching in schools, colleges or universities. Jobs include: further education teacher, higher education lecturer, primary school teacher, secondary school teacher

Funding and administration

If you'd like to keep up to date with the latest scientific developments but prefer the office to the lab, working in science funding and administration could be the role for you. You'll most likely work for Research Councils UK and major funding bodies like the Leverhulme Trust and the Wellcome Trust.

Recruitment

Your knowledge of the science industry can be put to good use in the recruitment sector, where you can work as a recruitment consultant and match candidates' skills to the right scientific role.

You could work for a number of specialist recruitment agencies such as CK Science, Network Scientific Recruitment, SRG and STEM Graduates.

Science policy

Jobs in science policy require you to draw on your scientific knowledge and understanding to inform and assist policy formulation. Policy workers are employed in a variety of settings in the public, private and voluntary sectors. Typical employers include: charities, government departments, non-governmental organisations, public sector organisations, scientific professional bodies, trade associations.

Find out more

Gain an insight into the science and pharmaceuticals sector.

Learn more about graduate jobs in science and pharmaceuticals.