



The Ridgeway School
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CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

OPPORTUNITIES

We're not sure who decided so many national and international celebrations should take place in March - it feels like there are multiple events happening every week! Here are two celebrations that we didn't have space to mention...

National Student Money week took place from 3rd-7th March. The theme for 2025 is Survive and Thrive: Building financial resilience.

World Engineering Day took place on 4th March. The theme of this year's celebration is "Unleashing the power of engineers to advance the Sustainable Development Goals".



Blackbullion is the ultimate destination for students to master money management. It's the place to learn about money, find extra money, and manage your money with confidence.



Save the Student has been the resource students trust to improve their finances. We now have over 1,000 regularly updated guides. This page is a live collection of all the handy tools and resources we've created for students, from understanding your specific loan repayments to finding the best phone contract.



In careers, one of the types of finance we talk about often is Student Finance. This is the loan you get from the UK Government to fund your university studies. A good place to begin research is by reading this Guide to Student Finance.



Amazing Apprenticeships have a series of upcoming webinars running from March-June. Each webinar lasts between 30 - 60 minutes and takes place on Zoom.



Are you passionate about beauty and dreaming of a career in the industry? Join this Virtual Work Experience from 15th-17th April with the British Beauty Council and Pelham to gain exclusive insights and kickstart your future in beauty!

JOB OF THE WEEK



Nuclear Engineer

A nuclear engineer designs, builds, operates, and maintains systems that utilise nuclear energy, encompassing power generation, research, medicine, and defense, while ensuring safety and environmental sustainability. Watch the video to learn more about how much you could earn, working hours and pathways into the industry.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

In the UK, about 19.2% of the workforce (6.3 million people) are employed in engineering and technology occupations, earning an average of £39,163 annually, and the engineering industry is considered a vital part of the UK's economy.

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Unlock the doors to your future this summer and learn more about the exciting world of engineering. Developed by The Smallpeice Trust, [this course](#) invites students aged 12-14 to discover the future of engineering in the comfort of your own home. The dates of the course are 27 May - 30 May 2025. You will learn:

- Cyber Security
- Electrical Engineering
- Space Engineering

There is a cost but you can apply for a funded place if you meet the criteria outlined in [these FAQs](#).



Born to Engineer have compiled a list of some of the best [Engineering Competitions](#) available to students in the UK. As well as being a fun challenge, they look great on your university and/or apprenticeship applications (even if you don't win, you will gain lots of skills!).



The University of Manchester offers a [range of financial packages](#) that aim to support students from the most underrepresented backgrounds, to access, and succeed at University. If you want to know more about other university's financial support offers, search the name of the uni followed by "Bursaries and Scholarships" to find more information.



Make your mark by spending eight weeks this summer working with the UK's largest publisher. Penguin book's [paid summer internship roles](#) sit across 9 different teams in our London office, with opportunities to contribute to projects in one of our publishing houses or specialist group functions. *You have to be 18 for this opportunity, if you're not old enough yet, make a note of it for future years!*



If you're considering applying to Oxbridge, any Medical course or some Law courses, you will need to complete a university admission test. To learn more about them, you can read this guide; [University Admissions Tests: Everything you need to know right now!](#)

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"Our apprentices are the change-makers of tomorrow. Diving straight into working on landmark projects at the heart of local communities, you'll discover that there's more to infrastructure than you expected. Earning while you learn, you'll gain practical skills and kickstart your career."

Read more about [Balfour Beatty Careers here](#).

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"At Plymouth you'll uncover new passions and dive deep into what you love. The city of Plymouth is enriched by its multinational student community, diverse University staff, and the millions of tourists who visit each year. Our undergraduate degrees are the perfect stepping stone to secure the future you deserve. It's your future. Make it count."

Read more about [University of Plymouth's Courses here](#).