



The Ridgeway School
& Sixth Form College

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



Happy National Apprenticeship Week! Search #NAW2024 to find relevant social media posts from current apprentices, employers and education companies.

If you'd like to learn more about Apprenticeships, you can check out the following resources:



How much do you know about apprenticeships? Test your knowledge with this fun quiz and learn a little more about what roles are available, when to apply, when companies advertise and what they might be looking for.



“Me and My Apprenticeship” resource which allows you to discover real life apprentices as they tell you their story including; what apprenticeship they are currently doing and why they love it. You can use this as a guide to find your perfect apprenticeship and also share with others who might find it useful.



“Meet Your Employer” resource which allows you to discover lots of different apprenticeship providers in this useful guide and hear from an apprentice at each company about why they love working there. Download it now and feel free to share with others who might find it useful.



The Higher and Degree Apprenticeship Listing showcases hundreds of vacancies from a diverse mix of employers starting in 2024. The variety of vacancies listed range from Engineer to Police Constable – there's something for everyone.



If you have decided that an apprenticeship is for you and would like to speak to your parents, Amazing Apprenticeship's Parents and Carers information pack will help.

JOB OF THE WEEK



This week's video focuses on the job role of a Drama Therapist.

Dramatherapy uses role play, voice work, movement and storytelling to help clients explore and solve personal and social problems.

Watch the video to learn more about how much you could earn, the qualifications you need & what subjects link to this career.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

New government figures show that apprenticeship starts in England were up 7 per cent in the first quarter of 2023/24 compared to the same period last year.

Provisional in-year data reports 130,830 starts in August, September and October of 2023, up from 122,290 for the same period the year before.

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Have you ever wondered what the subjects you study at school or college have to do with work and your career? Or maybe you really enjoy a subject at school or college but wondered if there will be any future use for it in the workplace? Are you pondering what value your qualifications have to employers? [SkillsMap® is here to help you.](#) SkillsMap® shows you a selection of the transferable skills developed in each of 36 different academic subjects typically taught in pre-18 education. These are the skills that employers are looking for. You can also find the skills that different subjects have in common. Try searching your favourite subjects and see what skills you are developing.



The Queer Student Awards (QSAs) are the U.K.'s first annual student celebration focused on talented young LGBTQ+ people who are proudly leading in their lives, and the communities around them. The awards are judged by a panel of student recruitment industry experts, queer influencers and young LGBTQ+ people from schools, colleges and universities. [Award nominations are now open.](#)



[Chanel You, Me & Us: Designing Futures](#) is a free 20 week-long mentorship programme for young creative enthusiasts who are keen to learn more about the world of Chanel and opportunities to engage with the wider industry. This programme is open to young creatives aged 18-25. If you're not old enough yet, this is definitely a programme to remember for the future!



Are you wondering what apprenticeships your favourite subjects might lead to? Head to the [Amazing Apprenticeships Resource page](#) then in the search box type "apprenticeships linked to". This will provide you with a series of poster that tell you what subjects can lead to what apprenticeships.



EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"Computacenter brings together over 20,000 people across the globe, who together deliver digital technology to some of the world's greatest organisations. Most people who join us, stay with us. They are proud of our reputation and our values as we learn, earn and have fun. This is how we deliver great service to our customers, year after year."

You can read more about their careers [here.](#)

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"Kent is a place for everyone, somewhere you can be yourself. Whether you're an out-of-the-box thinker, boundary-breaker or change-maker, this is where you'll get ahead and find your place as part of a global community."

You can read more about the University of Kent courses [here.](#)