

WHITELANDS ACADEMY

Careers Newsletter 2025 Issue 2



Welcome to our Careers Newsletter

A PUBLICATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF STUDENTS AT WHITELANDS ACADEMY

This publication is designed to keep you informed about all things careers related. Whether you're exploring future opportunities, seeking apprenticeships, or looking for events to sharpen your skills, we've got you covered.

Here's what you can look forward to in each issue:

Upcoming Events: Workshops, job fairs, and career seminars to help you plan your future.

Apprenticeships & Opportunities: Explore exciting openings with direct links to applications.

Online Resources: A curated selection of tools and websites to guide your career journey.

Dates for your Diary

The Cooper School Sixth Form Open Evening – 6th November

The Cooper School Sixth Form Open Evening - Thurs 6th Nov 2025 5pm-7pm. Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite

The Bicester School Sixth Form Open Evening – 13th November

The Bicester School Sixth Form open evening 13 November 2025 Tickets, Thu 13 Nov 2025 at 18:00 | Eventbrite

Witney and Abingdon College Open Days

November 25

Abingdon – 5th Nov **3.30pm – 7pm**Witney – 12th Nov **3.30pm – 7pm**Bicester - 19th Nov **4pm – 7pm**

ACE TRAINING Open Mornings 10am - 12pm

2025 October 25th and November 22nd

2026 January 24th, February 28th March 14th and 28th April 25th

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Activate Learning Open Evenings

Banbury and Bicester College 22nd October 4.30pm - 7pm

Banbury and Bicester College 15th November 9.30am - 12pm

City of Oxford College 18th October 9.30am – 12pm

City of Oxford College October Open Event Tickets, Sat 18 Oct 2025 at 09:30 | Eventbrite

The Warriner School 6th November

The Warriner School - Sixth Form Open Evening 6th November 6pm-8pm .. book your presentation slot today!

North Oxfordshire Academy 23rdOctober

North Oxfordshire Academy > Sixth Form > Welcome to Sixth Form

Bartholomew School 27th November

Sixth Form Admissions 2026 - Bartholomew School

Oxford Spires 28th November

Oxford Spires Academy - Sixth Form Open Evening 28th November 6pm

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Click here to register:

DID YOU KNOW?



We offer Professional and Degree level Courses

We have a variety of HNCs (Level 4) and HNDs (Level 5) in a range of subjects including Animal Conservation, Computing, Construction, Equine and Engineering!

https://abingdon-witney.ac.uk/hnc-hnd-htq

We also have a variety of Foundation Degrees you can top up to a full Undergraduate Degrees.

https://abingdon-witney.ac.uk/undergraduate-professional/

Do you have your own creative business? Then check out our Level 4 Professional Diploma in Creative Enterprise * Spaces still available for this academic year for those who have left sixth form/college and not gone on to University

https://abingdon-witney.ac.uk/courses/creative-enterprise-level-4-2161472

Oxford United FC Open Training

Oxford United Advanced Football Programme Trials Across 2025/26 we will be holding Open Training Sessions for our male and female teams on the Oxford United Advanced Football Programme at the Oxford United training ground, OX4 2RR. If you think you've got what it takes to be a part of our successful team, come along! Click here to register

OUFC Advanced Football Programme Open Training Session - Abingdon & Witney College



OPEN DAYS 2025



Discover Courses, Careers & Opportunities at our November Open Evenings.

We will have tutors, course leaders and careers advisers available to help you make the right choice for you, whether that be a study programme, a T-Level or an apprenticeship. It's good to be prepared, and with so many options available to you it's important to get the right advice. We look forward to welcoming you!

Register on our Events page now!



Upcoming Webinars with Success at School

Don't miss this new series of webinars with top UK employers. Ask your questions, get tips on standing out in applications, and hear what working life is really all about from current apprentices!



Apprenticeships at bp - Webinar Series

Thinking about life after school? Want to build a career that's exciting, global, and future-focused - without the student debt? Join bp for an exclusive webinar series to discover how a bp apprenticeship could be your first step into a long-term and stable career.

Sign up using the links below!



Apprenticeship Insights & Application Masterclass

Date: 21 October 2025 Time: 06:30-07:30PM

Attend this webinar to find out more information about all of bp's school leaver apprenticeship opportunities across, Engineering, Digital, Science, Business, Supply, Trading & Shipping!

Meet the recruitment team who will share insights on when applications open, what to expect during the application process, and how you can make your application stand out.



Women in STEM at bp: Your STEM

Career Starts Here! Date: 04 November 2025 Time: 06:30-07:30PM

Are you into solving real world problems or working with cutting-edge technology? A STEM apprenticeship could be for you!

In this webinar, you are invited to come meet the women who are changing the future of energy. From Engineering, and Digital, to Supply, Trading and Shipping, they are here to share how they got started, and where they are going next.

Botanic Gardens Kew Endeavour

New Green Careers Competitions from Kew



As we begin another academic year, the Schools Team at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew are excited to support teachers in bringing plant and environmental science to life.

We have just launched brand new competitions for all key stages exploring wildlife habitats, designing a new Kew uniform and producing a podcast about green careers.

- Open for all key stages
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- 6 x £1,000 prizes (one per key stage)

You could spend the money on:

- New science equipment
- A school trip to a botanical garden or wildlife centre
- Building a wildlife garden







Ace Training







Open Morning Events

Thinking About a Career in Construction?

Come and Discover What ACE Training Has to Offer!

Join us for one of our Open Mornings and explore exciting opportunities in Bricklaying, Carpentry, Bench Joinery and Property Maintenance.

Take a guided tour of our hands-on workshops, meet our experienced tutors and friendly team and learn about our Apprenticeship and Pre-Apprenticeship programmes.

Whether you're planning your next steps after GCSEs or currently on a course that isn't the right fit, come and see how ACE Training can set you on the path to a rewarding, practical career.

Drop into our centre between 10am and 12pm on any of the following dates:

2025

23rd August 20th September 25th October 22nd November

2026

24th January 30th May 28th February 13th June 14th March 27th June 28th March 11th July 25th April 25th July

15A Station Field Industrial Estate, Kidlington, OX5 1JD 01865 370040

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IF Oxford

Oxford science and ideas Festival: 100 events in October - IF Oxford

Oxford Science and Ideas Festival takes place from 17th October – 2nd November 2025, with more than 100 exciting events and activities for adults, children and young people across 30 venues in and around the city and beyond. Hundreds of researchers from universities and companies, individuals working or volunteering in arts, charities and community groups across Oxfordshire come together to create IF Oxford.



For more information on career events taking place over October and November please click:

Oxfordshire Careers Hub Careers Leaders Update: 30th September 2025







Oxfordshire Advanced Skills Apprenticeship Open Evenings

Oxfordshire Advanced Skills' Engineering Apprenticeship Open Evenings give students a unique opportunity to:

- Take a tour around their world class training centre
- Hear from current apprentices about their experience with OAS
- Meet some of their employer partners and find out what they're looking for in their next apprentices
- Find out more about OAS and how to apply to their employer partners

Each evening takes place at OAS - with the next one on **27th November** - and has two different 60-minute sessions to choose from, starting at **17:30 and 18:30**.

https://www.oas.ukaea.uk/apprenticeships/events-and-open-evenings/



27 NOV 2025

5:30PM - 6:30PM | 6:30PM - 7:30PM

25 FEB 2026

5:30PM - 6:30PM | 6:30PM - 7:30PM

27 JAN 2026

5:30PM - 6:30PM | 6:30PM - 7:30PM

26 MAR 2026

5:30PM - 6:30PM | 6:30PM - 7:30PM





ARMY APPLICATION: AT A GLANCE

To support students interested in joining the Army, it's useful to understand the key steps. After applying, students are assigned a recruiter and attend an Army Briefing to learn about Army life and then they go through a medical review. Once completed students will attend a two-day Assessment Centre, which includes medical checks, physical and mental tests, team tasks, and a career discussion. If successful, they undergo background checks before receiving a job offer and a start date for training.

Army Soldier Joining Process
Army Medical Requirements &

Examination How to Get Ready for the

Soldier Assessment
Soldier Training | Army Jobs
Starting your Army Application

CLASSROOM SUBJECTS TO CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

School subjects can link directly to roles in the British Army by providing foundational knowledge and skills that are essential for specific careers.

GEOGRAPHY:



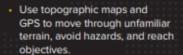
NAVIGATING THE WORLD

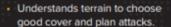
Geography is crucial in military operations, aiding in logistics, map reading, terrain analysis, and climate impact assessment.



INFANTRY SOLDIER







 Informs route selection, timing, and risk assessment in operations.



DRIVER



- Plans and selects the safest and most efficient paths, avoiding obstacles like rivers, mountains, or conflict zones
- Understanding distances, terrain types, and infrastructure to deliver supplies safely.
- Adapts for weather, terrain, and local geography to maintain vehicle performance and safety.



WANT TO BOOK TALK, REQUEST MATERIALS OR ASK A QUESTION?

Call your local office or email the Army Outreach team at rg-nrcoutreachadmin@mod.gov.uk

