



WHITELANDS ACADEMY

Careers Newsletter Issue 4



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CAREERS NEWSLETTER

A PUBLICATION FOR PARENTS AND
CARERS OF STUDENTS AT
WHITELANDS ACADEMY

Welcome to our Careers Newsletter

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

ACE Training Open Morning – 22nd March. [Event Calendar | Talks, Workshops & Open Mornings | Ace Training Centre](#)

Aylesbury College – Saturday 15th March – 10am – 1pm

Wycombe College – Tuesday 18th March – 5 – 8pm

**Abingdon and Witney College Open Day – 19th March. Common Leys Farm
Common Leys Campus**

[Abingdon Witney Schools Newsletter FEBRUARY .pdf](#)

CareersFest Parent/Carer Session – 19th March
[Careers Fest - OxLEP Skills](#)

Chemistry Taster Day Oxford University Balliol College – 10th April.
[Balliol College Chemistry Taster Day 2024 | University of Oxford](#)

**Family Information Fair for young people with Additional needs and learning
Difficulties.**

24th March -Frank Wise School, Banbury
[A4 poster and flier FIF 2025.pdf](#)



Oxfordshire
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ENTERPRISE**
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Please click here for lots more information and resources in the Oxlep newsletter:

[OxLEP Skills Careers Leaders Update: 25th February 2025](#)

[Careers Fest Parents/Carers Session](#)

Booking is open for the twilight session at Careers Fest 2025, which will take place on 19th March between 16.00 and 19.00 at the Kassam Conference and Events Centre. This session is for students and parents/carers. All families are welcome, but we believe this will be most useful for students in Year 9 and above.

Please click on the link to download the Flier for more information and details on how to book your place

<https://mcusercontent.com/2eb277ff62b44aa5d97ec4011/files/6dfa9cf6-c3ba-3c06-2ec1-399eae47fec8/CareersFest2025Flyer.pdf>

Career of the Week

Nursing

In a few words

If you want to study the physical, psychological and social needs of patients and their families, and then learn to apply this knowledge through practical community and hospital-based placements, then nursing or midwifery could be for you. Nurses and midwives provide a vital role in a front-line health care team.

10 most popular school subjects

Health, Social and Community Care (46.10%)
English (16.65%)
Biology (16.11%)
Psychology (15.57%)
Nursing (11.72%)
Health and Medical Sciences (11.51%)
Sociology / Criminology (10.55%)
Mathematics (9.73%)
Applied Sciences (7.41%)
Business and Marketing (6.26%)

Study

You can specialise in midwifery or adult, child, mental health or learning disability nursing. You might take modules in: managing complexities in care delivery, introduction to epidemiology, planning care for the adult patient, newborn care and global health and sustainability.

Cool opportunities within this subject area

Midwifery

University of Southampton, England

Mental Health Nursing

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong

Intellectual Disability Nursing

Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

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Skills

Key skills you should be able to demonstrate include:

- caring
- communication
- accountability
- teamwork
- principles / ethical judgement
- resilience / staying positive
- working under pressure

Careers

Nurses and Midwives tend to work in hospitals, but can also work for General Practitioner doctors' practices, in clinics, for schools or universities, in the Armed Forces, in social or residential care homes and in the leisure industry attached to hotels or cruise ships.

15 months after graduating

Average salary:

£32,065

Employed graduates in highly skilled jobs:

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Graduates of Nursing and Midwifery

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Graduates of subjects within Nursing and midwifery

Top 3 industries

5 years after graduating (Bachelor's or equivalent)

88%

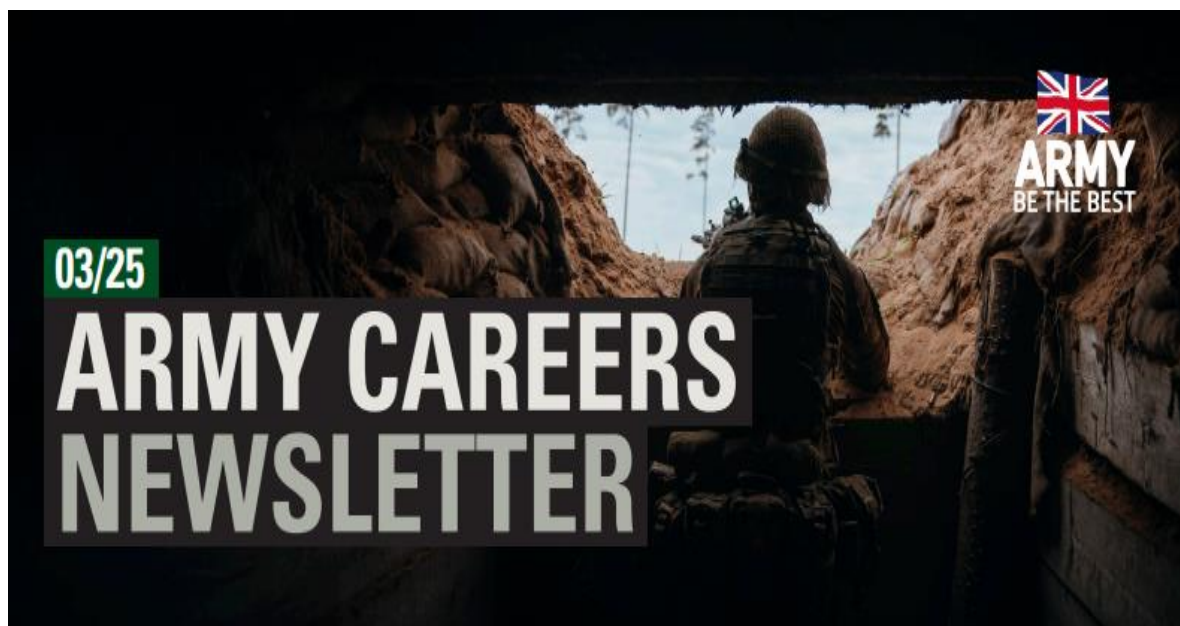
Human health and
social work

3%

Administration and
support services

2%

Education



[March25-Soldier-Newsletter-Oxford.pdf](#)



Benefits of vocational qualifications

We believe apprenticeships and vocational qualifications are prestigious career routes for all young people.

[The Benefits of Vocational Qualifications | Careers Advice | WorldSkills UK](#)

[WorldSkills UK | Raising Apprenticeships & Technical Education Standards](#)

ACE TRAINING



Open Morning Events

Explore a Future in Construction with ACE Training!

Are you interested in a career in construction? Visit ACE Training to discover the possibilities!
Join us for a tour of our workshops, meet our expert team, & learn about our Apprenticeship & Pre-Apprenticeship programmes in Bricklaying, Carpentry, Bench Joinery, & Property Maintenance.

Whether you're planning your next steps after GCSEs or looking for a more fulfilling course, come & explore exciting career paths that provide real skills and great opportunities!

We look forward to seeing you between 10am & 12pm on any of the following dates:

January 25th	31st May
March 8th	14th June
March 22nd	28th June
April 26th	12th July
17th May	26th July

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



acetraining.co.uk



At ACE Training, we don't just teach hands-on construction skills, we embed essential soft skills like communication, teamwork, problem-solving, and time management into everything we do. And as you are aware, these aren't just nice to have; they're essential for workplace success!

Find your pathway to success at our dedicated construction training centre in Kidlington, Oxfordshire. We offer traditional construction courses, apprenticeships, and pre apprenticeships in a practical, supportive, and community-focused environment. Introductory, part-time, functional skills, and school courses are also available.

[Ace Training Centre | Specialist Construction Training in Oxfordshire](#)



Dive into the exciting world of science, manufacturing and technology. From hands on lab roles to vital support positions in HR or marketing, diverse roles are making a real difference to our world

Not Just Lab Coats exists to provide you with one place to explore the huge variety of career options in science, manufacturing and technology.

Whether you're exploring exciting career paths or just curious, this is your go-to spot for inspiration and information

Our Careers Quiz is here to help you discover a career in science that fits your personality, passions, and talents. So, if you're into tech, creative problem-solving, or making a difference in the world, there's a place for you in the science sector

[Careers Quiz - Not Just Labcoats](#)



Did you know that on a typical day 1.3 million people visit a GP surgery, 35,000 people call 999 and 44,000 people attend A&E? It means it's the largest employer in Europe with 1.5 million people in England alone.

The NHS is much more than doctors and nurses. In fact, it recruits people in everything from estates and facilities, healthcare science and IT. It also recruits more than 20,000 apprentices every year.

With more than 350 NHS careers it can be overwhelming for young people when looking for the NHS career that's right for them.

[NHS Health Careers](#)

[Take our careers quiz | Health Careers](#)



Our programmes are still open for application until Friday 14th March, and we're particularly looking for applications for our Level 3 Field Engineering programme from students in the Bicester area.

If you have any students interested in pursuing a technical career path whilst working towards professional qualifications, then this would be a perfect opportunity for them.

Vodafone made the nation's first mobile phone call, sent the first text, brought 3G to the UK, and trialled the first 5G network slicing at festivals like Glastonbury. For 40 years, we've built our network with over 12,000 people at Vodafone UK, our purpose is to connect for a better future – a more inclusive, sustainable world where everybody can belong.

What's more, we're on a mission to become the #1 best place to work in the UK and we offer apprentices a starting salary of £24,640 and 28 days of holiday.

If you think might be interested in joining the Nation's Network on this apprenticeship programme they can find out more and apply here: [Vodafone Field Engineering Apprenticeship](#)



[Amazon Future Engineer](#) is designed to inspire and support students in exploring careers in technology, computer science, and engineering. Through hands-on experiences, expert insights, and behind-the-scenes access, students gain valuable skills to shape their future in STEM.

[Amazon Future Engineer | Class Chats - Amazon Future Engineer UK](#)



Inspire Students to cultivate a career in Science, Horticulture and the natural world with our new green career's hub for schools.

[Careers at Kew | Kew: Endeavour](#)



Following our very successful Human Library Event for year 9's last week, Bicester Firefighters were impressed at the level of curiosity and interest in their roles. Anyone interested in pursuing a career in the Fire Service is encouraged to pop along to the local fire station for an informal chat

[Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service | Oxfordshire County Council](#)

A group of nine firefighters in full turnout gear, including helmets and jackets, are posing for a photo in front of a red fire engine. The fire engine has "OXFORDSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE" and "WE ARE RECRUITING" written on it. The firefighters are arranged in two rows, with some standing and some kneeling. The background is a brick building.

Bicester Fire Station

are recruiting on-call firefighters now

Pop by for a chat at the fire station located on Queens Avenue
or visit oxfordshire.gov.uk/oncallfirefighters



Career Events/Trips this term

Please see below some career focused events taking place in school this term

12 th March	Year 8	Keir Construction STEM workshop morning
Tuesday 18 th March	Year 9	Army Careers Day

Upcoming Trips

13 th March	Year 11GCSE PE	Athletics Moderation
19 th and 20 th March	Year 10	CareersFest
27 th March	Year 10 RE Students and Yr9 Thailand Students	Buddhist Temple
3 rd April – 4 th April	D of E Bronze	Duke Of Edinburgh Expedition

