

CAREERS BULLETIN

"Work to become, not to acquire": Elbert Hubbard

2024/25 Careers Bulletin No: 4

Welcome to the latest Careers Bulletin, we hope this gives you up-to-date and useful information on careers and careers related learning.

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1) CAREERS SUPPORT IN SCHOOL

Unifrog Careers Platform

All students should have access to the "Unifrog" platform. This contains a wealth of information about all careers pathways and post 16 or 18 options. Students can record their skills and create a CV, access free online courses and compile careers "shortlists" for ideas for their future. Year 10 and 12 also use the placement tool to log Work Experience placements.

<https://www.unifrog.org/sign-in>

For all students their username will be their **school email address** and there is a 'forgotten your password' link for those who need this re-setting. Any issues with logging in please email Mrs K Fenlon at kfenlon@chewvalleyschool.co.uk

Further Resources for Researching Careers

Matching interests and skills to careers/options

- Prospects Planner Careers Quiz (Years 11-13) [Career Planner | What job should I do? | Prospects.ac.uk](#)
- Unifrog 'Interests Profile', 'Subjects Profile' and the new 'Workplace Profile' Quiz

Matching school subjects to careers/options

- **CareerWave** lists websites which relate certain school subjects to future jobs. <https://www.careerwave.co.uk/useful-career-resources-by-subject-area/>
- **Careerpilot** offers a comprehensive list of careers information and tools for 11-19 year olds. It is also a useful source of apprenticeships in the local area too. <https://careerpilot.org.uk>
This Site also has some home learning activities you might be interested in. <https://careerpilot.org.uk/adviser-zone/home-learning-activities-students>
- **UCAS Buzz Quiz (for Years 7-10)**) <https://www.ucas.com/careers/buzz-quiz>
- **Where could your favourite subject take you?** [BBC Bitesize](#)

Parents' Guide to Talking to Your Child about Careers

- **A parents' toolkit for career conversations** <https://www.talkingfutures.org.uk/>

Mrs Farr can be contacted to make a careers appointment, to book an appointment please email: jfarr@chewvalleyschool.co.uk

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2) PHYSICAL & VIRTUAL EVENTS

Upcoming Unifrog Webinars

[Unifrog - The complete destinations platform.](#)

10 Feb 4.30pm Degrees in Engineering
 10 Feb 5.30pm Careers in the Creative Industries
 11 Feb 4.30pm Careers in Computer Science
 13 Feb 5.30pm Careers in Nursing and Social Care

Careers in HM Treasury (Economics, Government, Finance)

[Insight to HM Treasury | Virtual Event Survey](#)

12 Feb 5pm-6pm Online

Careers in Vet Science

[Pre-16 activities | Faculty of Health and Life Sciences | University of Bristol](#)

29 Mar Langford Vet Campus Years 10-12. [Apply Expression of Interest: Venture into Vet](#)

College Open Days

South Gloucestershire and Stroud College (SGS)

[Latest College Open Days & Shows \(sgscol.ac.uk\)](#)

1 May Open Evening 5.30pm-7.30pm All campuses

Weston College

[EVENTS | Weston College](#)

12 Mar Open Eve 5pm-7pm All campuses

Book a Campus Tour at [BOOK A CAMPUS TOUR WITH SCHOOL LIAISON TEAM | Weston College](#)

Workshops during the February and Easter breaks Years 9, 10, 11

[February Half-Term Workshops | Weston College](#)

[Easter Half-Term Workshops | Weston College](#)

One-day workshops inc. Hospitality, Art, Sport, Media, Photography, Game/Animation, Music, Esport Construction, Early Years, Performing Arts, Protective Services, Animal Care, Engineering, Automotive

Bridgwater and Taunton College

[Events Archive - Bridgwater & Taunton College \(btc.ac.uk\)](#)

17 Feb Bridgewater Campus tours – book online

City of Bristol College

[Events | City of Bristol College](#)

22 Mar Open Eve 5.30pm-7.30pm All campuses

Bath College

[Open Events 2024-25 | Bath College](#)

12 Feb Apprenticeships and T Levels Open Day 10am-1pm Bath City Centre
 5 Mar All Courses Open Day 10am-1pm Bath City Centre

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Hartpury College (Equine, Sport and Public Services)

[Open Days | Hartpury College](#)

15 Mar Open days book online Gloucester

Bristol City Robins Foundation (Sport, Media, Esports) Education

[Bristol City FC \(bcfc.co.uk\)](#)

Boomsatsuma (Media, Photography, Film/TV, Games/VR/VFX)

[College Open Days](#)

Access Creative College (Games, Music, Media)

[Events - Access Creative](#)

25 Feb Taster Day 6pm-8pm Broadmead

Bristol School of Acting / Dance

[Acting | Bristol School of Acting | Bristol, England](#)

Sign in to find open day details

University Information and Events

University of Bristol Virtual Summer School

[Virtual Summer School | Study at Bristol | University of Bristol](#)

17-19 May 10am-5pm Online **Apply by 9 March**

Subject streams have included: Biomedical and Biological Sciences, Economics and Finance, Engineering, English Literature, Historical Studies, Law, Social and Political Sciences, Medicine and Health Sciences, Modern Language and Culture, Maths and Physics, Psychology, Veterinary Science

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Subject Taster Lectures (University of Sheffield)

[Subject tasters | Undergraduate study | The University of Sheffield](#)

Online or on-campus taster sessions in a variety of subjects

Subject-Related Courses at York University (online)

[Free online courses - Study at York, University of York](#)

Film-making, Physics, Bioeconomy, AI, English, Archaeology, Philosophy, Sociology, Psychology, Nursing, Chemistry, Biology, Law, Engineering, Art History.

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University Open Days and Taster Days

[Search the Opensdays.com calendar of university and college open days](#) - search for an open day University
Taster Courses | UCAS

15 Feb	Sheffield Hallam, Swansea
1 Mar	Solent, Portsmouth
12 Mar	Bournemouth, Plymouth
22 Mar	Birmingham City, Brunel, Sheffield Hallam, Greenwich, Portsmouth, Staffordshire
26 April	Nottingham Trent, Solent, Plymouth, Portsmouth, West London, Worcester
7 May	Keele, Leeds Trinity
14 June	Birmingham Met, Bournemouth, Queen Mary, SOAS, Bristol, West London
21 June	Kent, Oxford Brookes, Manchester, Central Lancashire, Chester, Chichester, Derby, Essex, Greenwich, Reading
28 June	City (London), Birmingham City, Bournemouth, Brunel, Cardiff, Keele, Nottingham Trent, Manchester, Hertfordshire

In-Person Subject Specific Taster Days ([Oxford Brookes University](#))

Oxford Brookes Taster Days 2025:

15 Feb Open Day 10am-15.30pm [Book here](#)

Oxbridge Information/Support

[The Oxbridge Launchpad](#) | [Mobilising the next generation of students](#)

Study Abroad (as a UK Student)

[Studying abroad: Consider your options](#) | Undergraduate | UCAS

Free Courses for Applying to Competitive Subjects

Medicine	https://courses.studymind.co.uk/courses/applying-to-medicine
Oxbridge	https://courses.studymind.co.uk/courses/applying-for-oxbridge
Law	https://courses.studymind.co.uk/courses/applying-for-law
Dentistry	https://courses.studymind.co.uk/courses/applying-to-dentistry
Vet	https://courses.studymind.co.uk/courses/applying-for-veterinary-science

Online Degrees

<https://www.distancelearningportal.com/>

Choosing University Courses

- UCAS course search: [What and where to study at a University, College or Conservatoire \(ucas.com\)](#)
- Discover Uni website for stats and other info: Home - [Discover Uni](#)
- League Tables: [University Rankings and League Tables 2023](#)

Gap Years

- [Independent Gap Advice](#) | [Independent Gap Year Advice For Young People](#)
- Database of approved gap year organisations
- Work Experience | [Operation Wallacea](#)
- [IBM Careers](#) - School Leaver - United Kingdom - Futures 10 month placement scheme.
- [Camp America® USA Summer Jobs in America Since 1969](#)
- [Lonely Planet | Travel Guides & Travel Information - Lonely Planet](#)
- [Gap Year Ideas - What To Do In Your Gap Year | UCAS](#)
- [Gap year | Prospects.ac.uk](#)

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Gap Year Industry Placements

[Placements \(age 17 & over\) | EDT \(etrust.org.uk\)](#)

Placements for Year 13 leavers with STEM companies. The placements last 12 months and are paid.

3) APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeship Events

Unifrog Apprenticeship Fair

12 Feb 4pm-6.30pm [online](#)

Apprenticeships in the Entertainment Industry (Warne Bros)

[Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

11 Feb 6pm Online

Accountancy Apprenticeships (National Audit Office)

[Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams](#)

25 Feb 4pm-7pm Online

South Bristol Apprenticeship Fair

[Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams](#)

27 Feb 4pm-7pm Online

Thatchers Apprenticeship Talent Open Day

[Thatchers Talent Open Day 2025](#)

15 Feb 9.30 Myrtle Farm, Sandford

The event will give students & parents/carers an insight into what it's like to be an apprentice at Thatchers, and gives them the opportunity to talk to the Talent Team and apprentices about joining one of their academies. Sign up online.

Local Level 4 - Level 6 (Higher, Degree) Apprenticeship Vacancies

Find an apprenticeship - (www.gov.uk)

Apprenticeship jobs - (www.ucas.com)

- Tax, Audit, Consulting at KPMG Vacancies (www.kpmgcareers.co.uk)
- Sales and Consulting, Mercer Marsh Careers (www.myworkdayjobs.com)

Degree and Higher Apprenticeship

[National Vacancy Listing Oct 24 Higher and Degree Vacancy Listing for 2023/24 Recruitment](#)

- Business Analyst at Thales **Closes 16/2**
- Data Analyst / People Professional / Accounting Technician / Actuarial Technician at Lloyds. **Closes 17/2**
- Business Management at BT. **Closes 17/2**
- Building Surveyor / Project Manager / Building Design / Nuclear Scientist / Nuclear Engineer / Manufacturing Engineer / Environment Practitioner / Electronic Systems Design / Civil Engineer at AtkinsRealis. **Closes 20/2**
- Supply Chain/Project Management / Engineering / ND Testing at Rolls Royce. **Closes 21/2**
- Project Controller / Quantity Surveyor at Tetra Tech. **Closes 21/2**
- Business Analyst at Thales. **Closes 16/2**
- Supply Chain / Project Management / Engineering / Non Destructive Testing at Rolls Royce. **Closes 21/2**
- Aerospace Engineering at GKN. **Closes 21/2**
- Electrician / Plumbing / Planner / Network Cable Installer at NG Bailey. **Closes 23/2**
- Network Engineering at Vodafone. **Closes 28/2**
- Engineering at BAE Systems. **Closes 28/2**
- Project Management / Quality Technician at Babcock. **Closes 20/3**

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- Civil Engineering at WSP. **Closes 31/3**
- Bridge Engineering at Nuttall Bowser. **Closes 1/7**
- RAF Air Traffic and Weapons Controller / Air Operations (Level 5). **Closes 1/8**
- RAF Intelligence Analyst (Level 4). **Closes 31/8**

Local Level 2/3 Apprenticeship Vacancies

Find an apprenticeship - (www.gov.uk)

[Apprenticeships | Weston College](#)

[Apprenticeship Information For Students - City of Bristol College](#)

- Paralegal at Irwin Mitchell. **Closes 17/2**
- Project Controls at AtkinsRealis. **Closes 20/2**
- Production / Maintenance / Tech Support at GKN. **Closes 21/2**
- Electrical Engineer at Yunex. **Closes 21/2**
- Civil Engineering at Arup. **Closes 21/2**
- Electrician / Plumbing / Planner / Network Cable Installer at NG Bailey. **Closes 23/2**
- Business Support / Technical Support at BAE Systems. **Closes 28/2**
- Pensions Administration at Barnett Waddingham. **Closes 28/2**
- Welding at Babcock. **Closes 20/3**
- Firefighter at RAF **Closes 31/8**
- Sports and Training Instructor at RAF **Closes 31/8**
- Air and Ground Steward at RAF **Closes 31/8**

Apprenticeship Guides

General	Interactive Student Apprenticeship Guide - Amazing Apprenticeships
Government	Apprenticeships Civil Service Careers (civil-service-careers.gov.uk)
Hinkley Point C	Young HPC Hinkley Point C EDF (edfenergy.com)
NHS	Apprenticeships - University Hospitals Bristol and Weston (uhbwcareers.nhs.uk)

Apprenticeship Search

Searching for Vacancies

- [Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- [Apprenticeships & School Leaver Jobs | AllAboutSchoolLeavers](#)
- [Apprenticeship jobs \(ucas.com\)](#)
- [Apprenticeships | Weston College](#)
- [Apprenticeship Information For Students - City of Bristol College](#)

4) PHYSICAL & VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE

In Person Work Experience

Hewlett Packard (IT)

[HPE Work Experience 2025](#)

7-10 April or 14-17 July 10am-4pm Years 10-12 Bristol 4 day on-site work experience in software development.

Retail and Online Research (Barnardo's)

Barnardo's charity shop in Nailsea needs volunteers aged 14+. Hours flexible. Retail and Online Research roles, To apply: Retail: Retail Volunteer (Nailsea) | [Barnardo's Volunteering \(barnardos.org.uk\)](#)
Online Research: Online Research Volunteer - Retail Store Based (Nailsea) | [Barnardo's Volunteering \(barnardos.org.uk\)](#)

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Virtual Work Experience (Live and Interactive)

Experiences Involving No Cost

Careers in Genomics, Science and Data (Welcome)

[Genomics, Science and Data Careers with Welcome Genome Campus \(springpod.com\)](https://springpod.com/genomics-science-and-data-careers-with-welcome-genome-campus)

Careers in Transport and Logistics (Civil Aviation Authority)

[Lift Off - with the Civil Aviation Authority \(springpod.com\)](https://springpod.com/lift-off-with-the-civil-aviation-authority)

Careers in Air Travel (British Airways)

[British Airways - Connectr](https://springpod.com/british-airways-connectr)

Hybrid work experience scheme covering engineering, business and airport operations.

Careers in Quantity Surveying (RISC)

[RICS student learning portal - Connectr](https://springpod.com/risc-student-learning-portal)

Free training modules and mentoring over a secure network

Experiences Involving A Cost

Careers in Allied Health Professions (NHS)

Live Virtual NHS Healthcare Careers Work Experience Programme - Allied Healthcare Mentor (alliedhealthmentor.org)

I Dec Paediatric Pathway **Cost £10**

Careers in Healthcare (University of Birmingham)

Live Virtual NHS Healthcare Careers Work Experience Programme - Allied Healthcare Mentor (alliedhealthmentor.org) Live Interactive one day work experience. **Various dates.** Suitable for Year 10-13. **£10 per day.**

Non Interactive Virtual Work Experience

Springpod Virtual Work Experience

- [Weather Forecasting Met Office Careers \(springpod.com\)](https://springpod.com/weather-forecasting-met-office-careers)
- [Innovation Vodafone Innovators \(springpod.com\)](https://springpod.com/innovation-vodafone-innovators)
- [Social Media Marketing Social Media Marketing Virtual Work Experience \(springpod.com\)](https://springpod.com/social-media-marketing-social-media-marketing-virtual-work-experience)
- [Finance 'Work Insights' – Your window into work with Coventry Building Society \(springpod.com\)](https://springpod.com/finance-work-insights)
- [Technology Technology Work Experience with Springpod](https://springpod.com/technology-technology-work-experience)
- [Optics and Audiology Bright Futures: Optics and Audiology Careers at Specsavers \(springpod.com\)](https://springpod.com/optics-and-audiology-bright-futures)

Various Careers

- [BBC iPlayer - All in a Days Work](https://www.bbc.com/iplayer/all-in-a-days-work)
Forensics, Nursing, Police, Vet Science, Paramedic Science, Events Planning, HGV driving, Midwifery.
- <https://www.theforage.com/>
Law, Consulting, Technology, Finance and Marketing
- [Vodafone Innovators \(springpod.com\)](https://springpod.com/vodafone-innovators) [Technology Work Experience \(springpod.com\)](https://springpod.com/technology-work-experience)
Technology
- <https://www.youthemployment.org.uk/careers-advice-help/choices/online-skills-and-careers-courses/>
Free online skills and careers courses

[Springpod Virtual Work Experience Search | Springpod](https://springpod.com/virtual-work-experience-search)

Insurance [Insurance Careers Work Experience | Springpod](https://springpod.com/insurance-careers-work-experience)

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Hospitality	Culinary Innovation Exploration: Virtual Work Experience with Pret (springpod.com)
Law	Legal Realities Unveiled: Virtual Law Careers with TLT and Springpod
HR	HR Career Insights: Virtual Work Experience with CIPD and Springpod
Tech	Technology Work Experience (springpod.com)
Engineering	Aerospace Work Experience Springpod

• Retail

McDonalds <https://www.mcdonalds.com/gb/en-gb/teachers/work-experience.html>
 John Lewis John Lewis Partnership - [Virtual Work Experience \(getmyfirstjob.co.uk\)](#)

• Careers in Architecture and Design

[Halliday Fraser Munro - Work Experience Zone \(hfm.co.uk\)](#)

• Careers in Film/TV

[Getting into the screen industries - ScreenSkills](#)

Five e-learning modules designed to support those looking to work in the screen industries.

[4Skills Work Experience](#) Channel 4's work experience programme

• Law (Hogan Lovells' Law)

[Hogan Lovells UK First Steps to Law - Forage \(theforage.com\)](#)

• Allied Health Professions

Non doctor/nurse roles in the nHS; includes Physiotherapist, Dietitian, Therapists, Radiographer etc.

[Routes into AHP Careers \(e-lfh.org.uk\)](#)

These roles play a vital part in treating, rehabilitating and improving the lives of patients.

• Virtual Tours Around Various Businesses

<https://www.icanbea.org.uk/virtual-tours/>

• Engineering (EDF)

<https://careers.startprofile.com/page/hpc-virtualworkexperience>

Take a brief from the EDF team and come up with a response to real project issues.

• Finance (PWC)

[PwC's Virtual Classroom | Early Careers | PwC UK Careers PwC](#)

Virtual Classroom for Years 10 and 13. Combines both live and pre-recorded sessions.

• Digital Media

[Virtual Work Experience tool | Barclays LifeSkills](#)

[Social Media Marketing Social Media Marketing Virtual Work Experience \(springpod.com\)](#)

• Medicine

Brighton and Sussex Medical School [Brighton and Sussex Medical School \(thinkific.com\)](#)

Role of a GP [Observe GP \(rcgp.org.uk\)](#)

[Medic Mentor Work Experience - Palliative Care - WEX Library \(yourmedicfamily.org\)](#)

[Dentistry Dental Mentor Work Experience - New Patients - WEX Library \(yourmedicfamily.org\)](#)

• Dentistry Dental

Mentor Work Experience - New Patients - WEX Library (www.yourmedicfamily.org)

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5) RESEARCHING JOB SECTORS

Self-Employment, Enterprise and Entrepreneurship

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/starting-a-business-1>

Psychology

Educational Psychology: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_NmIRMGac28

Creative Industries

<https://discovercreative.careers/#/> courses, competitions and activities around the creative sector.

<https://getintotheatre.org/blog/what-does-an-actor-musician-do>

<https://www.socialdistancingfestival.com/>

Social Care

<https://sfca.re/2Veuu3X>

Information and resources to investigate social care as a career choice.

Healthcare

<https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/explore-roles>

<https://www.stepintothenhs.nhs.uk/>

<https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/FindYourCareer>

Work Experience:

https://www.ruh.nhs.uk/careers/work_experience.asp?menu_id=5d

Careers Resources Page:

https://www.ruh.nhs.uk/careers/careers_resources.asp?menu_id=5d

Nursing careers

<https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/we-are-the-nhs/nursing-careers>

Construction/Engineering

<https://www.goconstruct.org/learn-about-construction/find-the-role-for-you/ultimate-quiz/>

<https://mailchi.mp/successatschool/careers-in-engineering-your-complete-guide-1277051>

6) BURSARIES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

General Information on scholarships

<https://www.thescholarshipshub.org.uk/>

[Sixth Form Bursary and Learner Support Fund 2024/25](#) – application details and forms. Open for students in Year 12 and 13. Please return completed paperwork to the Sixth Form office.

7) INDIVIDUAL GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT

For advice, guidance on career choices, options and applications please email Mrs Julie Farr at

jfarr@chewvalleyschool.co.uk

Year 10 Work Experience

Any queries please email Mrs Fenlon kfenlon@chewvalleyschool.co.uk. Mrs Fenlon is in L8 on Wednesdays and Thursdays during Tutor Time.

- WEX week is June 16 June – 20 June
- Placements need to be logged using the Placement tool on Unifrog
- Deadline Friday 14 February