



Chew Valley School

CAREERS BULLETIN

2026/27 October Edition

'If my mind can conceive it, and my heart can believe it, then I can achieve it.' – Muhammed Ali

Careers Support

Careers Advisor

- Miss Farr can be contacted via email to make a careers appointment. Please email jfarr@chewvalleyschool.co.uk

Work Experience – Year 10 and Year 12

- Mrs Fenlon can be contacted via email to make a work experience appointment. Please email kfenlon@chewvalleyschool.co.uk
- Year 10 Work experience – If you would like to book an appointment for support with your WEX please email Mrs Fenlon. Help sessions will take place on Tuesdays during Tutor Time and morning break. Y10 can find WEX information on their Teams Group. Work experience is Monday July 5th – Friday 9th for Y10 and Thursday 8th and Friday 9th.

Unifrog Careers Platform

<https://www.unifrog.org/sign-in> - username is school address & there is 'forgotten your password' link if you need to reset your password

- Wealth of information about all career pathways and post 16 or 18 options
- Students can record their skills and create a CV
- Access Free online courses
- Log Work Experience placements

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 Webinars

<https://www.unifrog.org/events> - a selection of free Webinars below

2 Nov 16.30-17.15	From classroom to career: where could a degree in business management take you?
2 Nov 17.30-18.15	Nursing taster: how do nurses make life-changing decisions?
4 Nov 18.30-19.15	Post 18 options: alternative routes to top careers – parents and students
9 Nov 17.30-18.15	Let's explore careers in fashion
11 Nov 18.30-19.15	Parents and caregivers session: navigating the UCAS journey from application to acceptance
23 Nov 16.30-19.15	Land your dream job: perfect your CV and written applications

More information can be found on our website - [Chew Valley School - Careers](#)

Year 10 – 11 & POST – 16 Open Events

Weston College

Healthcare Academy

Considering a career in Health & Social Care?

8 Dec, 12 Jan, 9 Feb, 9 Mar

[Register here](#)

November Open Evening

Meet Staff, tour facilities and explore
Courses and careers

19 Nov

Register

17.30 – 19.30

[here](#)

City of Bristol College

[Events - City of Bristol College](#)

19 Nov

Open Event

5.30pm -7.30pm

All Campuses

16 Jan

Open Event

10am - 3pm

All Campuses

10 Mar

Open Event

10am – 3pm

All Campuses

South Gloucestershire and Stroud College (SGS)

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

14 Nov

Open Day

10am- 3pm

All Campuses

17 Mar

Open Evening

5pm-8pm

All Campuses

Bridgwater and Taunton College

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

14 Nov

Open Day

10am -1pm

Cannington College

12 Jan

Open Evening

6pm-8pm

Taunton College

13 Jan

Open Evening

6pm-8pm

Bridgwater College

19 Jan

Open Evening

6pm-8pm

Strode College

Bath College

[Open Events 2026-27 | Bath College](#)

21 Nov

Open event

10am

City Centre Campus

16 Jan

Open event

10am

Somer Valley Campus

Bristol City Robins Foundation

[\(Sport, Esports\) Education - Bristol City FC \(bcfc.co.uk\)](#)

11 Nov, 2 Feb, 4 May

Open event

6.30pm -7.30pm

Ashton Gate Stadium

17 Feb, 7 Apr, 2 June

Taster Session

10am-11.30am

Imperial Sports Ground

Access Creative College

[\(Games, Music, Media, Esports, Computing\) Events - Access Creative](#)

18 Nov, 23 Jan, 26th June

Open Event

11am-2pm

Broadmead Campus

Boomsatsuma

[\(Media, Photography, Film/TV, Games/VR/VFX\) College Open Days | boomsatsuma](#)

Follow this [link](#) to book on an open day

5 Dec, 28 Jan, 18 May – Art & Design/ Photography

12 Dec, 27 Jan, 20 May – Creative & Digital Media, Sports Media, and Game and Design Development

Hartpury College

[\(Equine, Sport, Public Services, Agriculture\) Open days | Hartpury College](#)

Follow this [link](#) to book on an open day- Advanced booking recommended and spaces fill up quickly

12 Dec

6 Feb

20 Mar

GAP YEAR INFORMATION

Gap Year Industry Placements

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

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

General Gap Year Ideas and Schemes

[Independent Gap Advice](#) | [Independent Gap Year](#)

[Advice For Young People Gap Year Ideas - What To Do In Your Gap Year](#) | UCAS

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

University Subject Discovery Fair (Unifrog)

<https://webapp.spotme.com/login/eventspace/subject-discovery-fair>

University of Law - Real World Lectures

<https://tinyurl.com/5x9hjt3c>

Springpod – Try a university course before you apply

[Subject Spotlights](#)

University Open Days

[Search the OpenDays.com calendar of university and college open days - search for an open day](#)

Few highlights:

3 Nov University of Plymouth

6 Nov Liverpool John Moores University

7 Nov Leeds Beckett University, University of Southampton, University of Leicester, University of Portsmouth, Cardiff Metropolitan University, Nottingham Trent University, Swansea University

8 Nov University of Derby

14 Nov Bournemouth University, Northern School of Art, Falmouth University, Oxford Brookes University, University of Birmingham, University of Brighton

16 Nov University of Manchester

21 Nov UWE Bristol, University of Southampton, Newcastle University, Leeds Arts University, Manchester Metropolitan University, University of Brighton, University of Plymouth, University of Sheffield, University of South Wales

22 Nov University of Gloucestershire

28 Nov Hartpury University

INTERNSHIP INFORMATION

12 month Paid Finance Internship (NHS)

<https://onenhsfinance.nhs.uk/national-finance-academy/nhs-finance-insights-placement-scheme/>

Register interest for 2027 co-hort Applications open 1st January 2027

APPRENTICESHIP/ INTERNSHIP INFORMATION

Apprenticeship Guides

General [Interactive Student Apprenticeship Guide - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)
 Government [Apprenticeships | Civil Service Careers \(civil-service-careers.gov.uk\)](#)
 NHS [Apprenticeships - University Hospitals Bristol and Weston \(uhbwcareers.nhs.uk\)](#)

Apprenticeship Vacancies

Level 4-6 (Higher, Degree) Apprenticeships

[Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

[Search apprenticeships | UCAS](#)

[Higher & Degree Vacancy Listing - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

- Audit, Consulting, Tax at RSM <https://tinyurl.com/msrfh3hz>
- Audit, Tax, Business at KPMG <https://tinyurl.com/yzrpxz53>
- Creative, Digital, Social Media, Operations at Channel 4 <https://tinyurl.com/49c2fwtz>
- BBC Apprenticeships <https://tinyurl.com/56ue4uer>
- SWAST Paramedic Apprenticeships <https://www.swast.nhs.uk/paramedic-apprenticeship>
- Entry level Programmes at PWC <https://tinyurl.com/7z87t7n7>
- Accountancy at Evelyn Bros. <https://tinyurl.com/yz23f7ax>
- Tax, Audit at Evelyn Bros. <https://tinyurl.com/48h2vpze>

Examples of current local Level 4-7 on government [Find an Apprenticeship service](#) with a September 2027 start

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| • Solicitor Degree Apprenticeship – Burges Salmon Level 7 | Closes 9 Nov |
| • Solicitor Degree Apprenticeship – Michelmores LLP Level 7 | Closes 5 Nov |
| • Retail Degree Apprenticeship – Morrisons Level 6 | Closes 1 Dec |
| • Accountancy – Hazelwood Level 4 | Closes 29 Jan |
| • Degree Apprentices Civil Engineer – Santetec UK Ltd Level 6 | Closes 18 Dec |
| • Digital & Technological Solutions – Babcock Level 6 | Closes 7 Dec |
| • Project Management – Babcock Level 6 | Closes 7 Dec |
| • Chartered Surveyor – Dalcour Maclaren Ltd Level 6 | Closes 22 Jan |
| • Sales Degree Apprenticeship – Molson Coors Beverage Co Level 6 | Closes 15 Jan |

Level 3 (Advanced) Apprenticeships

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch>

[Apprenticeships | Weston College](#)

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

Selected Level 3 Opportunities

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| • Business Admin (Level 3) | DVSA | Closes 16 Nov |
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WORK EXPERIENCE

Interactive Virtual Work Experience

<https://finder.futuresforall.org/>

Futures For All connects young people with **work experience** and talks. Explore programmes, speakers and employer partnerships.

Springpod [Virtual Work Experience](#) Gain experience with top employers and universities

[RAF - Virtual Work Experience | Springpod](#) On demand from 13 Apr – 11 Dec

Careers in Media and Film

<https://finder.futuresforall.org/opportunity-detail/9D5FDB48-E2A6-430C-6FC4-08DE528B31AA>

Careers in Marketing

<https://finder.futuresforall.org/opportunity-detail/9D5FDB48-E2A6-430C-6FC4-08DE528B31AA>

Careers in Allied Health Professions (NHS)

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

Cost £10 or bundle for £50

1 Nov

6 Dec

3 Jan

7 Feb

7 Mar

PRE-RECORDED WORK EXPERIENCE

[Various Careers BBC iPlayer - All in a Days Work](#)

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

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

Aldi	Retail Work Experience with Aldi Springpod
Specsavers	See What's Possible: Business Virtual Work Experience with Specsavers Springpod
Insurance	Insurance Careers Work Experience Springpod
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
Transport	Rail Virtual Work Experience: Careers with TransPennine Express Springpod
Publishing	Academic Publishing with Taylor & Francis Springpod
Science	Genomics, Science and Data Careers with the Wellcome Sanger Institute Springpod

Retail

McDonalds <https://www.mcdonalds.com/gb/en-gb/teachers/work-experience.html>

John Lewis [John Lewis Partnership - Virtual Work Experience \(getmyfirstjob.co.uk\)](#)

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

WORK EXPERIENCE

Bristol Airport

[Early Careers & Work Experience Opportunities/ Bristol Airport](#)

Applications open Monday 2nd November and will close Friday 4th December.

WWT Slimbridge

Applications close 14th December. Application and more information can be found on Y10 WEX group.

Knowle West Media Centre Work Experience

Application Deadline Friday 11 December. More information on Y10 WEX group but reminder this is open to students who live in BS4, BS3, BS13 and BS14.

Architecture and Design

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

Law

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

Engineering

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

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

[Engineering Education Hub | Balfour Beatty Academy](#)

Online library of videos on topic such as sustainability, energy, technology, surveying

PRE-RECORDED WORK EXPERIENCE Continued:

Finance

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

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

['Work Insights' – Your window into work with Coventry Building Society \(springpod.com\)](#)

[Life at Leeds Building Society | Springpod](#)

Digital Media

Digital transformation agency

[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 \(yourmedicfamily.org\)](#)

<https://medicmentor.org/university-hospitals-birmingham-trust-virtual-work-experience/>

Dentistry

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