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OxLEP Skills: Picks of the Week

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## Picks of the Week: 11th July 2023

Please share the links in this week's Picks of the Week with your students, parents/carers and colleagues. If you have anything you'd like to share in a future issue, please get in touch at [skills@oxfordshirelep.com](mailto:skills@oxfordshirelep.com)



## From OxLEP Skills

## Congratulations to our Careers Champions!

[www.linkedin.com/company/oxfordshirecareershubs](https://www.linkedin.com/company/oxfordshirecareershubs)

Last week we joined in with The Careers & Enterprise Company's #CECCareersChampions celebration by sharing the inspirational stories of our six Oxfordshire Careers Champions on social media. If you haven't yet, please follow our [Oxfordshire Careers Hub LinkedIn page](#) and tag us in to share your news!

- North Oxfordshire - Sam Baker, The Cooper School
- West Oxfordshire - Helen Haines, Burford School
- City of Oxford - Jess Manns, Greyfriars Catholic School
- South Oxfordshire - Lindsay Powell, Europa School
- Oxfordshire Special School - Annie Hawkins, Mabel Prichard School
- Shining Star - Caroline Craft, Gosford Hill School



## School Leaders and Careers Leaders Meeting Feedback

Thank you to everyone who attended our Oxfordshire Careers Hub School Leaders and Careers Leaders / Enterprise Advisers meeting on 29th June. If you came along, please can we ask you to take a minute or two to complete our feedback survey to let us know your thoughts, which will be a huge help to us when planning future events.



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## Work Experience Guidance for Employers

[www.hse.gov.uk/young-workers/employer/work-experience.htm](http://www.hse.gov.uk/young-workers/employer/work-experience.htm)

If you are contacting employers to ask them about work experience and they aren't sure about where they stand in relation to health and safety, risk assessments, insurance etc, you can refer them to the Health and Safety Executive, which clearly sets out what they do (and don't!) have to do.

You can also signpost them to the '[working with schools and colleges](#)' section of our website, which gives them lots of information, or ask them to contact us at [skills@oxfordshirelep.com](mailto:skills@oxfordshirelep.com).

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## Events

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### Banbury Inclusive Football Summer Festival

[www.oxfordshirefa.com/news/2023/jul/03/banbury-inclusive-football-summer-festival-coming-up-in-august](http://www.oxfordshirefa.com/news/2023/jul/03/banbury-inclusive-football-summer-festival-coming-up-in-august)

Easington Sports FC, Banbury United, Adderbury Park FC and Oxfordshire FA have partnered to support the development and growth of youth and adult disability football in Banbury. The Inclusive Football Summer Festival is on **20th August from 10:00–12:00** at Easington Sports FC, Addison Rd, Banbury OX16 9DH.

The taster session is for individuals to sign up and will provide both youth (**5–15-year-olds**) and adults (**16+**) the opportunity to come and get involved. Everybody is welcome regardless of learning or physical disability. Please share with parents and carers.

## Careers Programmes & Work Experience

**JUNIOR CHEF ACADEMY**

Begin your culinary journey with a course designed for young chefs aged 14-16!

Location: City of Oxford College

The Junior Chef Academy is part of the Activate Learning Cookery School and is the starting point for young chefs in Years 9 to 11 who want to explore food and culinary arts. You will be introduced to basic cookery methods and have an opportunity to cook foods from different cultures. You will:

- Gain confidence in understanding what to cook
- Discover how to cook & why we cook that way
- Begin to develop a curiosity for developing your own dishes

Duration: 6 Weeks Price: £120

Day and Time: Saturday, 9.30am – 12.30pm

We will be delivering half-termly courses throughout the year:

- 16/09/2023 - 21/10/2023
- 04/11/2023 - 09/12/2023
- 06/01/2024 - 10/02/2024
- 24/02/2024 - 30/03/2024
- 20/04/2024 - 25/05/2024
- 01/06/2024 - 06/07/2024

Enrol now:

### Junior Chef Academy

Download [Oxford flyer](#) and [Banbury flyer](#)

The Junior Chef Academy is part of the Activate Learning Cookery School and aimed at young chefs in **Years 9 to 11** who want to explore food and culinary arts. Students will be introduced to basic cookery methods and have the opportunity to cook foods from different cultures. The academy is running in [Oxford](#) and [Banbury](#) and costs £120 for 6 Saturday morning sessions.

## For Careers Leaders

### Careers Education for Autistic Young People Survey

[www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ambitious-about-autism-employability-resources](http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ambitious-about-autism-employability-resources)

Ambitious about Autism want every autistic young person to have a good careers education, as they move through school, to post 16 education and into the workplace. To do this, they need to ensure employers and careers professionals have the tools in place to support autistic young people whilst in education and then into the workplace.

As an education professional, they value your opinions on what resources and tools you'd benefit from to help improve careers education for autistic young people. They also welcome your expertise on what works well and what could work better. Please fill out their short survey by **21st July** to give your opinions.

## Resources

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<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/the-parent-perspective-podcast>

Series 3 of the Amazing Apprenticeships podcast returns with host Rachel Burden talking careers with the Metropolitan Police Service and the NHS. Episode 1 is now available.



## Apprenticeships and Opportunities



### Meech International

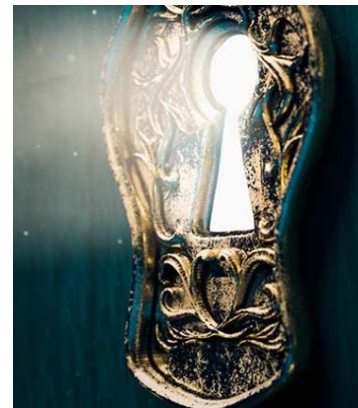
[Link to the vacancy.](#)

An exciting opportunity to join Meech as a Production Apprentice with many options for further development and growth within the company. The apprentice will learn their production processes and develop engineering skills as well as how the various processes come together and are put into practice.

### Shire & Wold Domestic Staffing

[Link to the vacancy.](#)

Shire & Wold is an Oxfordshire staffing agency based in Bicester and specialising recruitment of private domestic staff for high-net-worth and high-profile clients for their UK county-side residences and estates. They are recruiting for a Level 3 Business Admin Apprentice.



### Oxford University Hospitals

[Link to the vacancy.](#)

Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust are recruiting for 4 x Level 2 Healthcare Support Worker Apprentices at the Horton Hospital in Banbury. Closing date: **20th July**.

## Dates For Your Diary

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Listed here are events that have featured in previous Picks of the Week.

### **Into Games Festival**

12th July, 10:00-14:00

This event takes place in Brighton and will also be live streamed. It aims to help people interested in a career in the games industry to make connections and develop their skills to help them get started in their dream role. [Register here](#).

### **Metropolitan Police Engineering Apprenticeships**

12th July, 15:00-16:00

This webinar with the Met Police's Operational Support Unit will explain how engineering apprentices can kickstart their career and work on surveillance solutions that help to keep people safe. [Find out more](#).

### **T Level Placements Insight**

27th July, 17:00

Parents and carers are invited to join CareermapTV and Pearson live to learn more about T Levels, from the structure of a typical programme and understanding the industrial placement to the progression opportunities available. [Register here](#).

### **Oxford Careers Fair**

1st September, 10:00-14:00

Oxford Careers Fair takes place at Oxford Town Hall. With a range of employers exhibiting, there will be opportunities to consider for individuals of all ages and abilities. [Find out more](#).

### **University of Oxford Open Day**

15th September

The University of Oxford are holding undergraduate open days, giving students the opportunity to have a look around and talk to tutors. [Register here](#).

### **National Manufacturing Day**

28th September

National Manufacturing Day will see factories and sites opening their doors to give an insight into the sector through open events and tours, giving students the opportunity to find out about jobs and careers in manufacturing. Employers will be adding their events to an interactive map. [Find out more](#).

### **University of Oxford Chemistry Conference**

28th September, 16:00-18:00

The University of Oxford Department of Chemistry are holding a conference for Year 12 and 13 students and their teachers to find out more about the cutting edge research happening in the field of chemistry and

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### Role Model Week 2023

9th-13th October

The 3rd annual Role Model Week from Founders4Schools will celebrate role models and their importance for future career success. Register for a starter pack to give you ideas about how your school can take part. [Find out more.](#)

### What Career? & What Uni? Live

What Career? and What University? Live takes place at Olympia in London on 10th-11th November. You can book a school trip if you wish and make your parents/carers aware in case they would like to attend with their child/ren. [Find out more.](#)

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## Useful Links

These include some of the resources that have been shared in previous issues as a reminder.

[Oxme.info](#) - everything for young people in Oxfordshire

[Oxfordshire Your Futures](#)

[Disability Rights UK Get Ahead](#)

[Provider Access Legislation](#)

[Careers Leader Training](#)

[Into Games](#)

[Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

[Your Game Plan](#)

[Find Your Future](#)

[Choices post 16 resource](#)

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