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OxLEP Skills: Picks of the Week

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## Picks of the Week: 20th June 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

### Book our Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Ambassadors

<https://oxlepskills.co.uk/schools-colleges/ambassadors>

We have around 30 Apprenticeship Ambassadors signed up to our Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Ambassador scheme. They are all current or recent apprentices working in a range of roles for local employers who have volunteered to visit your school or college to share their experiences to help bring apprenticeships to life for your students and give them the opportunity to ask questions. You can read some of their profiles and complete a request form on our new website. Why not start booking some in for September?



### Construction Film and Lesson Resources

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in partnership with VotesforSchools. We also have summary and in-depth LMI resources. Visit our website at <https://oxlepskills.co.uk>, go to 'Schools & Colleges' then 'Local Resources' to access all our resources. Please see the '[Careers Programmes & Work Experience](#)' section of this newsletter for info on a highways and construction work experience week.



## Compass Evaluation Reminder

Compass evaluations for this term need to be completed by **12:00 midday on 3rd July 2023**. Your Enterprise Coordinator should have already reached out to you to offer their support to complete the evaluation, but if you are comfortable doing this on your own please go ahead. If you have any questions please get in touch with your EC directly.

## Events



### Accessible Employment Event

<https://pathwayctm.com/event/accessible-employment-opportunities-event>

During this Pathway CTM event in partnership with SCOPE on **22nd June from 18:00-19:00**, students will hear from a range of employers about their opportunities and support provided for people with disabilities. Students who attend can receive free 1-1 support on applications for any opportunities advertised during the event. [Download a poster.](#)

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Abingdon & Witney College are holding open events at their Abingdon and Witney campuses on **21st June** and their Bicester Construction Skills Centre on **28th June** for students to see the facilities, meet the tutors and find out about the courses on offer.



## Role Model Week 2023

[wwwFOUNDERS4SCHOOLS.org.uk/about/role-model-week](http://wwwFOUNDERS4SCHOOLS.org.uk/about/role-model-week)

The 3rd annual Role Model Week from Founders4Schools will take place from **9th-13th October** and 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.

## Careers Programmes & Work Experience

### Year 11 Leavers at Risk of NEET

[Link to referral form](#)

The Oxfordshire County Council Education, Employment & Training team are offering one to one support for any Year 11 school leaver without a destination for September 2023. This early intervention offer, that they put in place as a result of the pandemic in 2020, has proved positive in ensuring a student is known to them and over the summer holidays they will help them to secure provision for Year 12. Their one to one work is a voluntary offer and they do need the consent of the young person. Their statutory responsibility in line with Raising the Participation Age starts in September 2023 when they have a duty to track all school leavers and offer support.

Please complete the [Year 11 referral form](#) if you have a student that would benefit from this support and consents to a referral and return it to [eetreferrals@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:eetreferrals@oxfordshire.gov.uk).

If you would like to talk to the team about the offer, please contact Elaine North at [elaine.north@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:elaine.north@oxfordshire.gov.uk) or Tricia Duncan at [tricia.duncan@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:tricia.duncan@oxfordshire.gov.uk).

<https://careersliveuk.com/highways-and-construction-work-experience-week-2023>

For the third year running, Highways and Construction Work Experience Week will be going ahead. The week will be on **Monday 10th July to Friday 14th July**.

The week's placement is to plan, cost and design part of a new road in England. Over the week, students will meet a variety of people who work in construction and engineering, learning about their jobs and their route into construction. They come from a wide variety of backgrounds and their paths into their current job have not always been what you might expect. They will also meet recruitment experts to give them hints and tips on CVs and interviews.

There are two options for students to be involved in the week:

- Virtual delivery: students take part in Highways and Construction Work Experience week via Zoom
- In person delivery: if there is a site near to you that has availability, students will be able to visit a site for the week

Students can [register their interest](#) by completing a short form and task.

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## Earth Day Everyday

[www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/earth-day-everyday-work-experience-program-tickets-654748469297](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/earth-day-everyday-work-experience-program-tickets-654748469297)

Earth Day Everyday is a Founders4Schools virtual work experience session on **11th July from 13:30-**

**15:00** where employers share insights about the world of work within the sustainability sector. Educators will be sent a lesson plan prior to the event and students are encouraged to complete a worksheet which involves a challenge that will culminate their learning.



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## For Careers Leaders

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## Parental Engagement With Careers

<https://forms.office.com/e/tC8MDSUu6x>

During this live streamed event on **11th July from 10:00-11:30**, panellists and speakers will explore

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settings, and effective strategies that have helped to develop relationships with families facing barriers. The seminar aligns with the CEC's [Talking Futures programme](#), developed with The Gatsby Foundation, which equips institutions with the tools they need to positively connect with families on careers education and open the dialogue between parents and children.

## UCAT Training Sessions from Medic Mentor

<https://airtable.com/shrgmdDASdDa71Y2v>

Medic Mentor understand that supporting students through the UCAT process can be challenging and their goal is to equip you with the necessary tools to provide optimal guidance. They are running UCAT training sessions specifically designed to provide you with valuable insights and strategies to support your students in their UCAT preparation.

There will be a session on **21st June from 12:00-13:00**, repeated on **27th June from 15:30-16:30**, led by Dr. Hannah Orme, an expert in UCAT preparation, who will share her extensive knowledge and experience with you and her insider expertise on effective tips for you to help students succeed without burning out.

**Join the network**

- ✓ Launching 1st August 2023.
- ✓ A new open network for anyone who wants to make a difference.
- ✓ No membership cost.

**MOVING ON UP**  
A collaboration of like-minded organisations

The Moving On Up group is a collaboration of like-minded organisations who are working to support an increase in care experienced young people accessing and progressing through apprenticeships.

**What We Do**  
The Network will meet 4 times per year (online) sharing:

- Stories of individuals with lived experience.
- The latest government updates.
- Examples of successful approaches.
- Resources to support you and your organisations.
- Upcoming events or

**How to join**  
Sign up to join the Moving On Up network and hear more about our work.

[Amazingapprenticeships.com/moving-on-up](https://amazingapprenticeships.com/moving-on-up)

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## Moving On Up Network

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/moving-on-up>

Moving On Up is a collaboration of like-minded organisations working to support an increase in care experienced young people accessing apprenticeships. The first meeting will be on **1st August from 09:30–11:30** (online) to coincide with the increase to the Apprenticeship Care Leavers' Bursary and to explain to new members how they can be involved.

## Test The New Success at School Website

[www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SuccessatSchoolWebsiteTesting](http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SuccessatSchoolWebsiteTesting)

Success at School are getting ready to launch their new website, which aims to make it super easy to access the most up to date careers advice, opportunities and resources - and it's free to use!

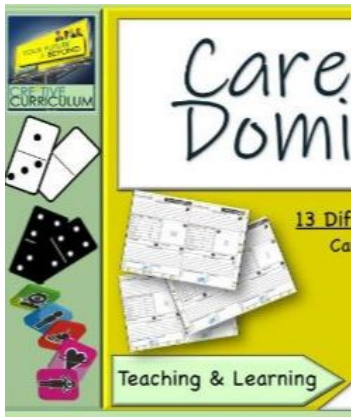
They are looking for volunteers to test the new site and tell them how they can make it the best resource

## Resources

### IfATE Occupational Maps

<https://occupational-maps.instituteforapprenticeships.org>

The Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE) occupational maps show where technical education can lead, showing the relationships that exist between education, qualifications, apprenticeships and occupations in England.



### Careers Dominos

[www.tes.com/teaching-resource/careers-12110882](http://www.tes.com/teaching-resource/careers-12110882)

A fun, free, printable activity that could be good to use with younger students. The activity is aimed at helping students to recognise key elements to different job roles and look at the skills, qualities and experience needed to pursue a career in 8 different chosen fields.

## Apprenticeships

### Collins Aerospace

[Link to the vacancy.](#)

Collins Aerospace in Banbury are recruiting for Manufacturing Engineering Apprentices for September 2023 to contribute ideas, inspiration and solutions to continue to help them redefine aerospace.



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[www.apprenticeships.ox.ac.uk/vacancies](http://www.apprenticeships.ox.ac.uk/vacancies)

The University of Oxford are currently recruiting for a range of roles as part of their September cohort, including an Apprentice Network Engineer in the IT Team in the Department of Biology and an Apprentice Internship Office Assistant in the Careers Service.

## Dates For Your Diary

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

### Accessible Employment Event

22nd June, 18:00-19:00

This virtual event with SCOPE will feature a range of employers who want to talk to students about the support they have in place for people with disabilities both during the application process as well as when they're employees. [Register here.](#)

### INWED webinar

23rd June, 12:00

This webinar will celebrate the amazing work that women engineers around the world are doing to #MakeSafetySeen. It will profile women in engineering who are doing amazing work in safety and security, either by making working environments safer, or protecting their colleagues, peers and wider society.

[Register here.](#)

### University of Oxford Women in Science Day

23rd June

The Oxford colleges of Trinity, Jesus, and Wadham are holding a Women in Science Day for 100 Year 12 students who are looking to explore the sciences at university. The University of Oxford offers over 20 different undergraduate courses in science subjects, so we want to showcase just how diverse a degree in the sciences can be. [Application form.](#)

### Festival of Apprenticeships

Birmingham (27th June), Manchester (29th June) and London (4th July)

Festival of Apprenticeships is a roadshow exhibition promoting and celebrating all things apprenticeships.

[Find out more.](#)

### University of Oxford Open Days

28th and 29th June and 15th September

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### Top Apprenticeship Employers

29th June, 14:00-15:30

The new 2023 rankings for the Top 100 Apprenticeship Employers and Top 50 SME Apprenticeship Employers will be announced during a special live broadcast. [Register here](#).

### Escape Studios Open Day

1st July, 10:00-14:30

Students can attend this open day either online or in person. They can find out all about the courses on offer, including new degrees in Character Creation for Animation, Games & VFX, Video Games Design and Technical Art for Games & VFX. [Find out more](#).

### Parents/Carers Uni Webinars

3rd and 6th July

The Access Team at Trinity College, University of Oxford are offering two online sessions for parents/carers of Year 10-12 students, giving a guide to the University and the application process. They can choose to attend one or both sessions. Please share the flyer, which has the registration link, with parents and carers at your school. [Register here](#).

### Youth Employment Week

3rd-7th July

Youth Employment UK have announced this the launch of a new annual event. Youth Employment Week will celebrate all things youth employment and will focus on the theme for this year of 'Opportunities for All'. [Find out more](#).

### 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](#).

### 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](#).

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## Useful Links

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



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