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Picks of the Week: 23rd May 2023

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From OxLEP Skills

Amazing Teacher Encounter opportunities for Humanities and MFL Teachers

For all humanities teachers – come and visit Catapult Satellite Applications at Harwell on **14th June from 14:00-16:00** as part of our Teacher Encounters programme in Oxfordshire and you'll discover that studying science isn't the only route into working in some of the country's most exciting, cutting-edge industries. In fact, they are crying out for the creatives, the critical thinkers, the writers, the organised ones!

Or for MFL teachers, join us at Pearson on **27th June from 14:00-16:00** to find out more about what they do and the roles they have that require languages, such as publishing, editing and designing exam spec, as well as the different entry routes for young people. There will also be time to discuss the new spec for the MFL curriculum.

You can find out more about the Teacher Encounters initiative by watching this short video of a [Teacher Encounter at Oxford Biomedica](#). There is funding available to pay for cover costs. If you'd like to take part, please email susan.ledgard-hoile@oxfordshirelep.com.

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Unicorns. Magic fairy dust. The monster in the wardrobe

We hope that caught your attention, but what's it all about?

Within the world of work there are those jobs and careers that are mysterious, secret event, and don't get the headlines. But, they're the glue that hold everything together. They're the teams and the jobs where it's taken for granted that 'things just happen'.

We are those careers and we're brilliant at what we do! No, we didn't study them for A Level, or even at University (they don't exist). But through our varied education and employment pathways we've found we have the talent, skills and aptitude that make them perfect for us. And, do you know what, without us, the everyday would be very different – and not in a good way!

So, who are we and why are we so important? We're the creatives, the guiding lights, the organised ones, and the people integral to others' success. We're the Bid and Proposals Profession and the Project Management Industry – we make good things happen!

We'd love you to come and learn more about what we do, encounter our world, and learn about how our transferable skills help unlock that amazing potential in others. We know, from experience that our world offers a varied, exciting and rewarding career path which will be perfect for your students.

Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards 2023

www.oxfordshirelep.com/oaawards2023

The Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards 2023 took place last Thursday 18th May. Huge congratulations to Claire Christiansen, Careers Lead at Larkmead School, who won the Careers Champion Award and to Andy Hemming, Assistant Head Teacher at Chilworth House Upper School and Jackie Mustoe, Careers Lead and Exams Manager at Carterton Community College, who were highly commended.

Congratulations also to Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons, who won the Inspiring the Future Employer Award for their engagement with local schools and colleges. You can find out who all the winners were and watch a recording of the live broadcast on the [OxLEP website](#).



New OxLEP Skills Microsite - Curriculum Resources

<https://oxlepskills.co.uk/category/curriculum>

We have just launched a new microsite, which aims to provide you with easy access to local resources and opportunities. This includes some useful curriculum resources, which have been created in

'View Resources' and select 'Curriculum' from the drop down 'Categories' menu.

"I LOVE this 😊 Really great resources, well laid out, everything in one place. Thank you." - Helen Richardson, Careers Manager, Icknield Community College.

The image shows three screenshots of OxLEP lesson plans. The first is titled 'Royal Air Force - Employability Skills/Business lesson plan' with a duration of 45 minutes. The second is titled 'Royal Air Force Employability skills/Business lesson resource' with a duration of 25 minutes. The third is titled 'Rebellion - Business lesson plan' with a duration of 45 minutes. Each screenshot includes a table of activities and a 'Download' button.

Events



Careers in Law Webinar

[Link to register \(not for individual student use\)](#)

The National Literacy Trust are holding a webinar with international law firm Cleary Gottlieb on Zoom on **8th June from 14:00-15:00**. Students can hear all about careers available at a leading law firm, some law careers myth busting, routes into law and the career journeys of the speakers.

The Apprenticeship Academy

www.apprenticeship.academy

The Apprenticeship Academy is a series of 6 sessions starting on **14th June** and running each **Wednesday from 16:00-17:30**. They are designed for **Years 10-13** and cover everything students need to know about finding, applying for and interviewing for apprenticeships. This is the last programme that is free for schools, there will be a cost from September.



www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/applying-to-competitive-universities-and-the-university-of-oxford-tickets-611194548347

Trinity College are running two after-school live online sessions for those interested in applying to competitive universities and courses. The event is aimed at **Year 12s**, however, interested students in other years groups are welcome.

- Applying to competitive universities, courses and Oxford - **15th June at 16:30** with live Q&A until 18:00
- Writing a competitive personal statement - **22nd June at 16:30** with live Q&A until 18:00

Your students can book a place on these events directly through [Eventbrite](#). Please let students know they need to be sure they are selecting the correct date for the event they'd like to attend. They can book to attend both, but they have to book onto each event individually.

Please note, these events are suitable for all students, not just those thinking of applying to Oxford.

Oxford Brookes School/College Open Day

[Group booking form](#)

Oxford Brookes are welcoming bookings from schools and colleges at their undergraduate open day on **16th June**. The event offers students the chance to find out what it's really like to be an Oxford Brookes student. Your students will be able to:

- Experience the courses they're interested in by joining subject-specific sessions and activities
- Meet the staff who will be teaching them, as well as current students and ask any questions they may have about their course
- Meet and speak to admissions, finance and Student Support teams and ask any questions they may have about applying
- Find their future home - explore accommodation options and speak to the accommodation team

Schools will also be able to pre-book campus tours and a general talk for your students that covers applications and UCAS, student finance, accommodation and student life. The full schedule will be available from 26th May and Brookes will be sending worksheets to schools and colleges who book to help your students plan their open day experience.

If you would like to bring your class or year group to the open day, please complete the [group booking form](#).

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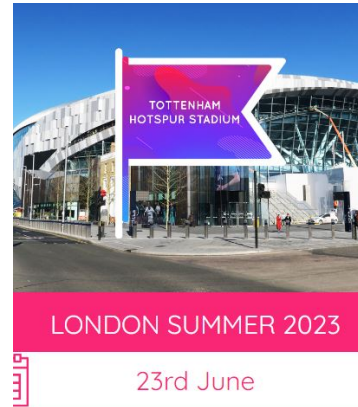
<https://festivalofapprenticeships.com>

Festival of Apprenticeships is a roadshow exhibition promoting and celebrating all things apprenticeships. There are events in Birmingham (**27th June**), Manchester (**29th June**) and London (**4th July**).

UK University Search

www.ukuniversitysearch.com

UK University & Apprenticeship Search host large scale fairs at prestigious sporting venues and university campuses all across Britain. There are a number of events taking place between June and November in locations such as Brighton, London, Bristol and Birmingham.



Top Apprenticeship Employers

https://topapprenticeshipemployers.co.uk/?i=app_launch_of_new_rankings2

The new 2023 rankings for the Top 100 Apprenticeship Employers and Top 50 SME Apprenticeship Employers will be announced during a special live broadcast on **29th June from 14:00-15:30**.

New Youth Employment Week

www.youthemployment.org.uk/youth-employment-week

Youth Employment UK have announced this the launch of a new annual event from **3rd-7th July**. Youth Employment Week will celebrate all things youth employment and will focus on the theme for this year of 'Opportunities for All'.



The Side Hustle Initiative

<https://yourgameplan.co.uk/events/the-side-hustle-initiative-2023>

Now in its third year, The Side Hustle Initiative is a nationwide campaign helping young entrepreneurs grow or launch their own business, hosted by lead judge, The Apprentice star and first ever winner Tim Campbell. The competition is open to anyone **aged 13-18** (at the time of applications opening) and is based in the UK. Students can enter individually or in teams of up to 4. There is a £10,000 prize pot available for the top 10 young entrepreneurs to help accelerate the growth of their business or charity.

Careers Programmes & Work Experience

Highways and Construction Work Experience Week

<https://jobsliveuk.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 19th June to Friday 23rd June**. This is facilitated through Learn Live.

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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<https://pathwayctm.com/opportunity/rtpi-explore-work-experience-town-planning-rtpi>

During July, the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI) are offering **students aged 16+** the opportunity to experience a 5 day, in person work experience placement with a local employer. They will have the opportunity to meet with different departments and learn all about how planning impacts our community.

For Careers Leaders

Try Morrisby Careers+ and Higher for Free

[Sign up for the free trial](#)

Morrisby Careers is full of research tools to help students aged 11 upwards discover the world of work and pathways forward. Morrisby Higher is the complete destinations platform with leading academic reference and personal statement tools for age 16 upwards.

Morrisby are offering you a free trial until September. If you find it better than your current provision, you can then sign up for a whole-school licence at 50% discount.

Parental Engagement Modules

[Register your interest](#)

The CEC have announced they are currently developing two brand new and exciting modules in partnership with Causeway Education, to help you equip parents to have more confident and informed careers conversations with their children. They will be released in June, but you can [register your interest](#) to be notified when they go live.



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[Registration link](#)

Join Amazing Apprenticeships and the Army to gain invaluable insight into the extensive range of apprenticeships on offer, the Army Foundation College Harrogate (AFC) that caters to 16–17 year olds and the application process. This webinar for teachers, careers advisers and parents/carers takes place on **14th June at 16:00**.

Everything You Need to Know

[Registration link](#)

At this webinar on 13th June from 15:30-16:00, expert speakers from the DfE will highlight what's new in technical education and apprenticeships and will cover any recent changes in policy and funding.



Opportunity for English Teachers to Co-Create Learning Resource with the University of Oxford

[Download a flyer](#)

The University of Oxford are inviting all Oxfordshire based secondary school English teachers to attend a knowledge exchange workshop where they'll be developing ideas for a brand-new, AI-powered, interactive learning resource for English Literature. The workshop is taking place on **30th June from 14:30-16:00** and there is funding available to cover time away from the classroom and travel costs if needed.

Please share the attached flyer with your English Departments, which includes sign up details. We expect it to be a very popular opportunity so would urge teachers to sign up asap.

Resources

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Employability

Learn all the skills you need for the work place & find out more about different industries available.

[GET STARTED](#)<https://yourgameplan.co.uk>

Your Game Plan now has four main areas to their offer; Digital & Tech, Employability, Money & Wellbeing. Each offers a range of digital learning courses that students can register for, helping them to develop their skills and confidence. They also have a CV builder, completed courses can be automatically added to a student's CV.

Free KS4 and KS5 Maths Resources

<https://digdata.online/career-challenge-classroom-resource>

DigData have collaborated with Capital One, CACI and Experian to bring you a brilliant collection of free KS3/4 resources. An engaging resource for career days, and a great way to link curriculum learning to careers in the classroom.

Why use these resources?

- They are ready to pick up and use by any subject teacher and will help you meet the Gatsby Benchmarks
- They align to the maths curriculum with each resource resulting in learning a maths skill
- Flexible lessons, to fit any timetable
- Every activity includes 5 short employer videos to guide you through the lesson
- Worksheets mean students don't need technology
- All participating students receive a virtual work experience certificate

Download the Experian classroom resources:

- [Experian dataset](#)
 - [Experian dig data challenge](#)
 - [Experian dig data challenge detailed teacher notes](#)
 - [Experian student worksheet](#)
 - [Experian student worksheet answers](#)
 - [Experian teacher notes](#)
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<https://creativecareercoaching.org/product/lets-talk-creative-career-coaching>

Let's Talk Creative Career Coaching gathers together videos and other supporting documents to assist practitioners and trainers in their practice. The resource includes recent videos of career coaching and supporting documents.



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From: £0.00/month if time purchase

This one-off pu Career Coaching videos and other resources.



Into Games

<https://intogames.org>

If you have students looking to get into the gaming industry, Into Games is a great website to signpost them too. It has a career finder function, events, mentoring and other relevant opportunities for students to explore.

May Parents' & Carers' Pack

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/resources/?parents-packs=1>

The May edition of the Parents' & Carers' pack includes information about apprenticeship opportunities at the Royal Opera House, gives insight into apprenticeships in nursing and shares guidance on flexibilities around apprenticeship end point assessments.



Parents' & Carers' Pack May

Apprenticeships and Opportunities

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Siemens are recruiting for Advanced Engineering Apprentices for August to join one of their manufacturing operations teams responsible for the production of all-important superconducting magnets.

Leonardo Royal Hotel

[Download a poster](#)

Leonardo Royal Hotel in Oxford (formerly Jury's Inn, next to the Wolvercote roundabout) has several full-time and part-time roles available. Please share the attached poster with your students.

**EY**

<https://pathwayctm.com/opportunity/assurance-apprenticeship-programme>

EY uses innovative technology such as robotic process automation and process mining to review their client's population data. They are currently recruiting for Assurance Apprentices, closing date **31st May**.

Engineering Apprenticeships

<https://mailchi.mp/successatschool/useful-articles-for-national-apprenticeship-week-1284911>

A useful summary from Success at School Read about the different types of engineering apprenticeships, the skills required by engineers and how to apply.



GoodWork Early Careers Programme

The GoodWork Early Careers Programme gives **young people aged 18-25** the opportunity to kickstart their career and access the training, support and community they need to be successful. It is a paid, six-month long, internship programme, based in London. The first two weeks of the programme are dedicated to paid, full-time, in person work readiness training. Participants spend the rest of the programme gaining on-the-job experience in a host organisation, who will help them learn about their business and develop the core skills that they need to fulfil their role. Closing date: **2nd June**.

Dates For Your Diary

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

Understanding Degree Apprenticeships

24th May, 18:00-19:00

This Pathway CTM webinar with Dyson will give an insight into degree apprenticeships, how they work, what's involved and how to apply. It will include advice and top tips from professionals. [Register here](#).

Planning Insight Webinar

25th May, 18:00-19:00

This webinar with RTPI (Royal Town Planning Institute) will give students an opportunity to learn more and expand their horizons into the world of planning. [Register here](#).

St Catherine's College Academic Taster Days

St Catherine's College, Oxford are holding a series of 4 academic taster days, which are free to attend and open to all, with places being allocated on a first come, first served basis:

Geography – 30th May, 10:30–16:15, including an academic session with Professor Fiona McConnell (Professor of Political Geography)

Modern Languages – 31st May, 10:30–16:15, including the opportunity to sample a range of languages that are available at the University of Oxford

Women in STEM – 1st June, 10:30–16:15, including a session with Professor Susannah Speller (Professor of Materials Science) and an opportunity to try a range of STEM based courses

Music – 2nd June, 10:30–16:15, including sample lectures with Dr Andrew Frampton and Professor Laura Tunbridge, and workshops on conducting and composition

[Register here](#).

Army Apprenticeships Webinar

14th June, 16:00

This webinar will provide an insight into the extensive range of apprenticeships with the British Army, the Army Foundation College Harrogate (AFC) that caters to 16–17 year olds and the application process.

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National Apprenticeship Week 2024 Planning Webinar

15th June, 15:30–16:00

National Apprenticeship Week 2024 will take place from **5th-11th February**. Amazing Apprenticeships are holding an planning webinar for schools and colleges to help you get ahead and find out what's in store for #NAW2024. [Find out more.](#)

Oxford Brookes Open Day

16th June

Oxford Brookes is holding an undergraduate open day, which will help students to get a feel for the campus, learn more about the courses on offer and tour the modern facilities. [Register here.](#)

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.](#)

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.](#)

University of Oxford Open Days

28th and 29th June and 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.](#)

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](#)

[Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards 2023](#)

[Provider Access Legislation](#)

[Careers Leader Training](#)

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