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Picks of the Week: 6th February 2023

Happy National Apprenticeship Week everyone! We hope you enjoy all the events and activities going on for #NAW2023. Let us know at skills@oxfordshirelep.com if you'd like to share something that went well at your school/college.



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What's on during #NAW2023 in Oxfordshire

www.oxfordshirelep.com/news/article/national-apprenticeship-week-2023-oxfordshire

This is a link to everything that's happening in Oxfordshire during National Apprenticeship Week 2023. You can share this with your students and their parents/carers as an easy way of letting them know what's on.

A final call for our two parent/carer apprenticeship webinars in partnership with Pathway CTM, which take place from **18:00-19:00 on 7th and 8th February**. Please share these registration links with your parents/carers.

[Download a flyer.](#)

7th Feb: <https://pathwayctm.com/event/an-introduction-to-apprenticeships-for-oxfordshire-parents>

8th Feb: <https://pathwayctm.com/event/an-introduction-to-apprenticeships-for-oxfordshire-parents-2>

Oxfordshire Careers Hub and Training Provider Marketplace

<https://benjaminmolephotography.pixieset.com/oxlepcareershubandtrainingprovidermarketplace>

It was great to see so many of you at our Oxfordshire Careers Hub and Training Provider Marketplace on 25th February, which brought Careers Leads and training providers together to help meet the requirements of the



CEC Teacher Encounters Launch at Oxford Biomedica

www.oxfordshirelep.com/news/article/oxlep-backs-careers-enterprise-company%E2%80%99s-new-national-programme-bringing-teachers-and

We supported the launch of The Careers & Enterprise Company's new Teacher Encounters programme with a teacher encounter for Oxford schools at Oxford Biomedica, which was attended by CEC Chief Executive Oli de Botton. The teachers learnt all about the amazing work OXB do, toured the labs and heard about early career opportunities.



Careers Fest Parent/Carer Twilight Session

<https://careersfest2023.eventbrite.co.uk>

We are holding a twilight session at Careers Fest 2023 for parents and carers on **22nd March from 15:30-18:30**. Please share the booking link with your parents/carers. There will be focused employer talks throughout the evening - we will share details of these in due course.

Open Doors 2023: 13th - 18th March

<https://opendoors.construction>

Open Doors gives students the chance to go behind the site hoardings on large construction projects. Some of local events are listed below with links to book a visit. They get booked up quickly but you can also go on a waiting list. Some of the events have disabled access, but please check the page to confirm this.

[Graven Hill School, Bicester](#) - Construction of new nursery and primary school in the new housing development in Bicester called Graven Hill. Due to open in September 2023.

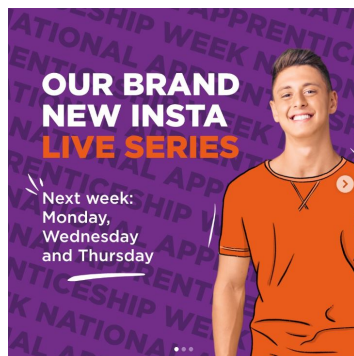
[Inventa, nr Botley, Oxford](#) - Conversion of two retail properties to create a hub for biomedical research companies, providing a combination of laboratory space, offices, and collaboration areas via enhanced common meeting rooms, circulation space and café. [Inventa | Open Doors 2023](#)

[The Oxford Science Park](#), Iverson Building, Littlemore, Oxford. The Project, "The Oxford Science Park – Plot 16" is positioned in the north-eastern corner of The Oxford Science Park, sited between the Cowley Branch Railway line to the North and Littlemore Brook to the South.

[St Peter's College, Oxford](#) - A new 54-bedroom, concrete frame with Steel Framing Solution infill, Passivhaus LEB, student accommodation building comprising of two separate pavilions with a shared half basement.

[Gradel Quadrangles, Oxford](#) - The development comprises a three-storey quadrangle of student accommodation, new school buildings, a porter's lodge and a landmark 21.5 metre tower. Its flowing, freeform design suggests a contemporary reimagining of the classic quadrangle model.

[Tempo, Maidenhead](#) - Tempo is a £40m refurbishment of large commercial offices owned by Legal and General which is in Maidenhead town centre. The project commenced in February and completion is latter 2023. The scheme involves upgrading and updating the buildings appearance with new glazing whilst retaining much of the existing exterior stone to produce a modern sustainable and energy efficient façade.



Apprenticeships Insta Live

www.instagram.com/ratemyapprenticeship

RateMyApprenticeship are hosting 3 Insta Lives at **17:00 on 6th** (Vodafone), **8th** (My Legal Career) and **9th February** (apprentice recruiter). Students can tune in for top tips and insider info.

NAW 2023 LIVE

<https://jobsliveuk.com/national-apprenticeship-week-2023>

The Jobs Live News Channel are hosting NAW 2023 LIVE from **6th-10th February**, which is an array of broadcasts that celebrates and showcases apprenticeship programmes and apprentices' achievements.



Deloitte Apprenticeships

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/all-about-deloitte-apprenticeships-webinar-tickets-518645351207

This Success at School webinar with Deloitte on **15th February from 18:30-19:30** will give **Year 10-13** students the opportunity to hear about the range of apprenticeship opportunities on offer and hear from current apprentices.

Brookes Science Bazaar

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/all-about-deloitte-apprenticeships-webinar-tickets-518645351207

Oxford Brookes Science Bazaar takes place on **18th February from 11:30-16:00**. There is an [autism friendly early opening](#) from **09:30-11:30**. Students and their families can meet staff and students, explore the interactive stands, learn something new and get stuck into the activities. Most suitable for students aged **12 and under**.



Zurich Insurance Apprenticeships Webinar



28th February, 2022
18:30-19:30



successatschool.org

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/insurance-apprenticeships-webinar-with-zurich-tickets-519561862517

This Success at School webinar with Zurich Insurance on **28th February from 18:30-19:30** will give **Year 10-13** students the opportunity to hear about the range of apprenticeship opportunities on offer with Zurich.

Women in Construction

<https://ceoxford.wildapricot.org/event-5137592>

Constructing Excellence Oxford are holding a women in construction conference 'see it to be it' on **2nd March from 12:30-17:00**. They are offering free spaces to local schools to support with inspiring the next generation of local women to consider taking up a career in construction.



Careers Programmes & Workshops

Oxfordshire Advanced Skills

The OAS team are happy to attend STEM and careers fairs and STEM projects at your school. They can also come to your school and do a roadshow. Their roadshows aim to be interactive, engaging and informative and are free to all schools on a first come first served basis.

They visit schools with some of their hi-tech engineering equipment and attendees have the opportunity to operate a robotic arm, test their welding skills on an augmented 3D welder and see 3D printers in action! They also talk to attendees about what being an engineer can look like, the routes to becoming an engineer and the relative benefits of each. Contact Chanida Fung to discuss on 07970 962688 or Chanida.Fung@the-mtc.org.

IntoUniversity Big City Bright Future Internship

<https://bcbf.intouniversity.org>

Big City Bright Future is a three-week paid work experience programme created especially to help **Year 13**

Download a [flyer](#) and [overview](#). Closing **12th February**.

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Supported Internships and Enhanced Apprenticeships

[Meeting link](#)

Find out more about Supported Internships and Enhanced Apprenticeships in Oxfordshire by joining Oxfordshire Employment and Dynamic Training in a webinar on **24th February from 11:00**.

Supported Internships are an education study programme for young people with learning disabilities aged 16 to 24 with an Education Health & Care Plan (EHCP) or a Learning Difficulty Assessment who want to move into employment and need extra support to do so. Put simply, they are a route from education into paid employment. Participants retain student status and attend college one day a week to develop key educational skills to support their employment. The remainder of the week is spent in work placement with an employer who has made a commitment to consider the intern for employment by the end of the programme.

An Enhanced Apprenticeship (previously known as a Supported Apprenticeship) is a study route for individuals aged 16 - 24 with an EHCP (Education Health and Care Plan). Apprenticeships are open to a wide range of people, including those with a disability, health condition or learning disability. Everyone aged 16 or over, entitled to live in England and who are no longer in full time education can apply to be an apprentice. Apprenticeships are open to those looking to enter the world of work or for those who are already in the workplace looking to up-skill or retrain.

Resources



Free NHS Poster

<https://mailchi.mp/successatschool/nhs-sas>

Success at School are offering a free A3 NHS careers poster to every school (postage included!) to help your students consider a life-changing career as a nurse.

With several national careers days/weeks approaching, Wilmott Dixon Interiors have had major demand for their assemblies and programmes. As a small team, they aren't always able to attend, so have recorded some sessions for you to use with your students during the national weeks and beyond. Please contact Shannon Kerrigan at Shannon.Kerrigan@willmottdixon.co.uk for access to the recordings.

Women in Science/STEM: 11th February 2023: A recording of women in the industry speaking about site life, common misjudgements, how they deal with working in a male-dominated industry and sharing their top tips on entering the industry.

National Apprenticeship Week: 6th-12th February 2023: A recorded session of our management trainees (degree apprentices) talking about their personal experiences- from school and a-levels/college to recruitment processes and career highlights. About 45 minutes long.

National Careers Week: 6th-11th March 2023: Recorded sessions exploring the different careers within the construction industry (office focused). Each video consists of teams talking about their day to day works and taking you through their tools and processes. Session 1= Sales and Marketing, Session 2=Finance, Session 3=Interior Design.

International STEM Week: 10th-19th March 2023: 4 recorded sessions exploring the different careers within the Construction Industry. Session 1= Senior/Site management, Session 2=Design management/Interior Design, Session 3=Sustainability and Session 4=Preconstruction. Each recording consists of several department volunteers discussing their career journeys and giving their advice/top tips. Each video is about 45 minutes- 1 hour long.

ICE Inspire

<https://ice-inspire.co.uk>

The Institution of Civil Engineers have created an interactive 360° website to help your students understand what a career in civil engineering could do for them... and the world. It includes videos, games and resources for you to use too.





<https://news-notgoingtouni.co.uk/4CV9-1HBOY-9770D8CC7A8740AC7BQCD94F641D2F18C9E522/cr.aspx>

Not Going to Uni have created an interactive and informative session for you to run through with your students. The session involves a game of 'Apprenticeship Top Trumps', which includes employers across different industries and sectors who are recruiting for apprentices in 2023.

Guide to Career Options

www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/advice/guide-to-career-options-2023

RateMyApprenticeship have produced a free guide for students, parents/carers and educators which includes everything you need to know about the career options available and how to get there, plus hear from real-life apprentices. You can [order printed copies](#) too.



Careers in Racing

www.careersinracing.com

There are hundreds of job roles available in horseracing from working with horses in a racing yard or stud farm to working on a racecourse or in an administrative role. There are 59 racecourses in the UK with an array of jobs available. This website includes career paths and programmes.

Apprenticeships

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/higher-degree-listing>

Students can explore 350+ higher and degree apprenticeship vacancies in the February edition of the higher and degree listing 2023. There are vacancy details from over 65 employers, including locations, salary information and direct application links. There is also a teacher resource suggesting ways to use the listing in lessons.

HIGHER & DEGREE LISTING

WWW.AMAZINGAPPRENTICESHIPS.COM



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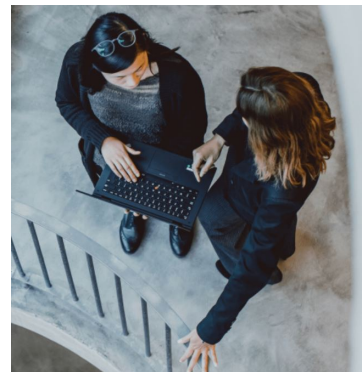
www.ey.com/en_uk/careers/students

Professional services organisation EY offer apprenticeship opportunities at level 3, 5, 6 and 7 across the UK. Their website includes an interactive quiz that matches students' strengths to their business areas to find the role right for them.

Allen & Overy

www.aograduate.com/solicitor-apprenticeships

Through this solicitor apprenticeship, successful participants will gain a LLB (Hons) Level 7 Law and Legal Practice degree, while developing practical skills at a leading law firm and earning a starting salary of £25,000. Closing: **16th February**.



Deloitte

www2.deloitte.com/uk/en/pages/careers/articles/early-careers-consulting.html

Deloitte offer apprenticeships in consulting, which may be of interest to student looking to start a career in business. Deloitte will support them to find the right career path for them.

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

Women's Engineering Society Apprentice Showcase

6th-10th February

Registration is now open for the 2023 Women's Engineering Society Apprentice Showcase. This will take place during National Apprenticeship Week and will give students aged 15-18 the opportunity to hear from current and past engineering apprentices. [Find out more.](#)

Norbar Torque Tools Open Event

7th February, 18:00-20:00

State-of-the-art factory facilities ensure they provide the very latest design, manufacturing and quality control technology to achieve the highest level of innovation and precision in the field of torque control equipment. [Register here.](#)

Abingdon & Witney College Abingdon Campus Open Evening

8th February, 15:30-19:00

Students can visit the campus to see the facilities, meet tutors and find out about the courses on offer. [Register here.](#)

RAL Apprenticeships Open Evening

8th February, 17:00-20:00

Students can visit STFC to find out about the wide variety of apprenticeship opportunities available, including mechanical, electrical and electronic engineering, ICT, computing, business administration, heating and ventilation, carpentry and lab technician. [Register here.](#)

Navtech Radar Open Event

8th February, 18:00-20:00

A world-leading innovator, award-winning designer and manufacturer of commercially deployed radar solutions, they produce ground-breaking technology used by businesses across industry sectors. [Register here.](#)

Get Into Apprenticeships

9th February, 17:30-20:15

At this Pathway CTM event, students can find out about apprenticeships with Google, PwC and KPMG and ask questions about apprenticeships. It is being livestreamed so students can tune in. [Register here.](#)

Viridor Open Event

9th February, 19:00-20:00

Viridor operate a network of advanced energy recovery facilities across the UK, processing non-recyclable waste to create electricity, powering the equivalent of c. 635,000 British homes. At Ardley, since the site became fully operational in 2014, the maintenance engineering apprenticeship programme has been very

Carter Jonas Insight Day

14th February, 10:00-15:00

Carter Jonas are hosting their first ever early careers insight day at their London head office for students in Years 12 and 13 to gain an understanding of careers in property. Deadline to apply: 31st January. [Register here](#).

EDF Energy Apprenticeships

21st February, 18:30-19:30

At this webinar for students in Years 10 to 13 and parents/carers, Careers Leads and teachers, you can meet some of EDF's apprentices to hear first-hand about their experiences in the energy sector. [Register here](#).

Abingdon & Witney College Witney Campus Open Evening

22nd February, 15:30-19:00

Students can visit the campus to see the facilities, meet tutors and find out about the courses on offer. [Register here](#).

What Career? and What University? Live

3rd & 4th March

What University? & What Career? Live takes place at the NEC, Birmingham. It is for 15-19-year olds to explore their higher education and career options and is free for school groups and individuals to attend. Parents/carers may be interested in attending on the Saturday. [Find out more](#).

Henley College information event

21st March, 17:30-20:00

Students can explore the two beautiful campuses and extensive facilities, meet the teaching staff and find out more about the broad range of courses of offer for September 2023 entry. [Register here](#).

Apprenticeship & Education Event

28th March

The National Apprenticeship and Education Event is a free careers event in Birmingham, designed to inspire young people with Apprenticeship, Traineeship and T Levels opportunities. Find out more at <https://nationalapprenticeshipevents.co.uk>

Westmill Wind and Solar Farm Tour

16th April

Students and their families can tour the Westmill Wind Farm & Solar Park to discover how their turbines and solar cells work, learn about renewable energy and hear the eventful history of the site. You can also book to take a group of students on a bespoke tour, which might be of interest to students considering careers in renewable energy. [Find out more](#).

Careers Jam 2023

27th April 2023

Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards

18th May 2023 (closing date: 17th February)

The Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards 2023 is now open for entries and nominations! There is a Careers Champion category again this year, as well as an Inspiring the Future Employer Award and a range of categories for Apprentices and employers. We look forward to your entries! [Enter or nominate](#).

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

[Provider Access Legislation](#)

[Early Careers at Harwell](#)

[Careers Leader Training](#)

[Health Careers](#)

[Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

[Step into the NHS](#)

[Find Your Future](#)

[Choices post 16 resource](#)

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