

OxLEP Skills: Picks of the Week

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## Picks of the Week: 16th May 2022

Check out the latest from OxLEP Skills this week, including the Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards virtual broadcast taking place this Thursday evening! #OAAwards2022



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## Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards

[www.oxfordshirelep.com/oaawards2022](http://www.oxfordshirelep.com/oaawards2022)

The Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards 2022 will be broadcast live on **19th May from 19:00** via a link on the [OxLEP website](#). You will hear some inspiring stories about apprentices, employers and training providers and find out who's won the Careers Champion Award - congratulations and good luck to finalists Helen Haines from Burford School, Debbie Nicholas from Iffley Academy and Michael Rafferty from The Warriner School.

[Registration link](#)

We are holding a LinkedIn training webinar on **24th May from 15:30–16:30**, run by Charles Hardy, previously Education Engagement Lead at LinkedIn and currently University Partnership Lead at Handshake. The workshop will cover setting up a school page on LinkedIn, using it successfully for alumni and to engage employers and running a session for Year 13s.



### Free Compass+ workshop



Contact your Enterprise Coordinator to book

We are running a free 2.5 hour workshop on **15th June** to help you to understand how to use Compass+ more effectively, where to find guidance and support and how to share good practice and support each other. The morning session is now fully booked but there are still **a couple of places available** on the afternoon session at **13:30**.

### Full STEAM Ahead

[Download the timetable](#)

Inspire your **Year 7 and 8 students** and raise their interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths (STEAM). This two day event from **6th-7th July** has been designed to be as flexible as possible - pick and mix the sessions to suit your curriculum time. There are sessions with Brookes, EKFB, Pivot Power, BBC Young Reporter and more. [Download the timetable](#) for details and booking links.



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Our Oxfordshire Virtual Work Experience programme, hosted by Springpod, is now open for students from **Years 10 to 13** until **1st July**. It's free of charge for the first 1000 students that sign up, so make sure you get in quick! Once those places are filled it costs £2.50 per student. Please contact your Enterprise Coordinator for details.

## Events

### Get into Law Conference

<https://lawmentor.org.uk/get-into-law>

Get into law conferences are designed to help students achieve their dream career in law. Whether that be a solicitor, barrister or judge, this event can help them be successful in their application to university. The next date is **28th May from 14:00-18:00**.

Register at <https://airtable.com/shr7uGaU9ZMlpoXQq>



### National University Week

<https://nationaluniversityweek.co.uk>

National University Week from Careermap runs from **23rd - 27th May**. The online event is packed with online information sessions and Q&As dedicated to arming students with everything they need to know about going to and studying at university.

### Women in STEM

[www.studyhigher.ac.uk/outreach-provision/womeninstem](http://www.studyhigher.ac.uk/outreach-provision/womeninstem)

Women in STEM from Study Higher takes place from **17th -19th July from 18:00-19:00** and will give **Year 9 and 10 students** an exciting opportunity to take part in workshops, networking sessions and academic sessions related to STEM subjects.

Contact [womeninstem@studyhigher.ac.uk](mailto:womeninstem@studyhigher.ac.uk) for more.



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## UK Parliament Visits

<https://learning.parliament.uk/en/session-workshop/tours-and-workshops>

Through visiting the UK Parliament Education Centre, **students aged 7-18** get to see history being made first-hand with a tour of the Houses of Parliament. There are tour and workshop options tailored for different age groups. Now booking for September-December 2022.

## Work Experience

### Your Sustainable Future

[www.studyhigher.ac.uk/students/summerschool](http://www.studyhigher.ac.uk/students/summerschool)

Study Higher's residential summer school for **Year 12 students** will take place from **10th-12th July** at Oxford Brookes University. Students will experience what life is like as a university student while learning about the green economy. Contact [asim@studyhigher.ac.uk](mailto:asim@studyhigher.ac.uk) to find out about eligibility.



## PwC Virtual Insight Week

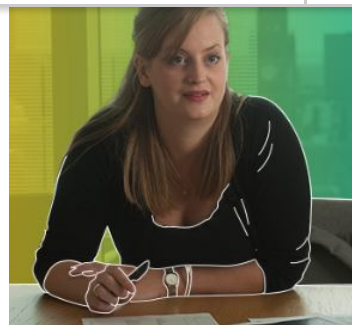
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PwC's virtual insight week gives **Year 12 students** the opportunity to gain lots of valuable skills and explore career options with PwC. No experience is required to apply, but they ask for students to be on track for 96 UCAS points. The week takes place from **25th - 29th July** and the deadline for applications is **22nd May**.

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[www.pinsentmasons.com/careers/graduate/work-experience/united-kingdom](http://www.pinsentmasons.com/careers/graduate/work-experience/united-kingdom)

This 4-day online work experience placement takes place from **24th-27th October** and will give **students aged 16+** a full overview of what it's like to work in a leading commercial law firm. Applications close on **29th July**.



## CPD



### Getting Ready for Ofsted

[www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FQ2F23Z](http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FQ2F23Z)

This is a repeat of the essential preparation workshop for Ofsted Inspection for Careers Leads. There are 2 dates coming up - **17th May from 15:00–17:00** or **17th June from 10:00–12:00**. Please register using the [SurveyMonkey form](#).

## Resources

### Cyber Explorers

[www.cyberexplorers.co.uk](http://www.cyberexplorers.co.uk)

Cyber Explorers is a free, interactive online learning platform that complements learning objectives for **Key Stage 3**. New episodes and characters have now been released, such as AJ, a medical researcher with a keen interest in artificial intelligence.



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## Free Green Careers Posters

<https://mailchi.mp/successatschool/register-for-your-free-set-of-green-careers-posters>

[Neon](#) is offering a set of 4 free environmentally themed careers posters to school colleagues that [register with them](#) by **23rd May**, ahead of these being released. The new set of posters shines a spotlight on how engineering helps solve some of the world's most pressing issues and develop green solutions – from food and transport to energy and how we use things.



## The Stemettes Society

<https://stemettes.org/zine/stemettes-society>

The Stemettes Society is open to girls, young women and non-binary young people aged between **13 and 25**. It's a closed network that is constantly moderated. It gives them the opportunity to learn about getting into the STEM industry through chatting with peers and advice from TeamStemettes.

## Apprenticeships

## White Horse Plastics

[Download the vacancy information](#)

White Horse Plastics in Faringdon have a unique role for an Injection Moulding Processing Technician Apprentice with the opportunity to progress within the business on completion. Contact [nallen@whp-ltd.com](mailto:nallen@whp-ltd.com).



## The Engineering Trust

[Link to the vacancies](#)

The Engineering Trust currently have 17 apprenticeship opportunities with employers in Oxfordshire including Viridor, LTI Metaltech, Lucy, Crown, Glazpart, Nammo and Norbar at levels 2, 3 and 4 in a wide variety of engineering fields.

## BT

[Link to the vacancies](#)

BT have a range of apprenticeship opportunities, such as project management, customer services and network engineer, in a variety of locations ranging from level 2 to level 7.



## PwC

[Link to the vacancies](#)

PwC have school and college leaver programmes and degree apprenticeships available now.

## Dates For Your Diary

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### Assessment Centre Support

18th or 25th May, 16:30-17:30

Pathway CTM are supporting Year 13 students who are currently in the process of preparing for assessment centres through dedicated 'Ask me anything sessions with Max' (their outreach and student support expert). [Register here](#).

### Transferable Skills With ICAEW

19th May from 18:00-19:00

Pathway CTM will be joined by ICAEW at this online event to discuss transferable skills, understanding students strengths and adopting those skills within the workplace. [Register here](#).

### Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards 2022

19th May, 19:00

Winners will be revealed at a special virtual live broadcast. Follow #OAAwards2022 on social media for all the latest on the awards. [Find out more](#).

### Nailing Your Interviews

21st May, 10:00-11:00

This online workshop from Pathway CTM will go through everything students need to know to nail their interviews! It will cover common interview questions and answers, positive body language, key points to set yourself apart and other tips and tricks for applications. [Register here](#).

### Westmill Wind Farm Tour

21st May, 10:30

Students interested in sustainability may like to visit Westmill Wind Farm & Solar Park for a guided tour (other dates available) to discover how turbines work, learn about renewable energy, hear the history of the site and find out about the installation and energy generation of the five turbines and over twenty thousand solar panels. You can also request a group visit for your school. [Find out more](#).

### Sustainability in Tech

24th May, 18:00-19:00

At this virtual session, Vodafone will explain how they are committed to being as environmentally friendly as possible and answer questions about what they are doing to be more environmentally conscious.

[Register here](#).

### Clean Careers and Women in Engineering

21st June, 09:45-14:30

Founders for Schools are holding a webinar which will shine a spotlight on clean careers and women in engineering. More details will be made available in due course. [Register here](#).

### Uni of Oxford Access Event

22nd June from 09:30-15:45



Oxford. Complete the booking form by 27th May. [Download a flyer.](#)

### **Stemettes @ Siemens Energy**

1st June from 11:00-13:45

Meet the Stemettes with Siemens Energy is a free online panel discussion event to discuss paths into STEM careers with inspiring women from Siemens Energy and hear about their unique experiences in the industry. This will be followed by a networking session where there'll be a chance to chat with panellists and other attendees. [Register here.](#)

### **The Big Bang Fair**

22nd-24th June, 09:30-15:30

The Big Bang Fair 2022 will take place at the Birmingham NEC. It is open to 11 to 14 year olds and all hands-on activities and workshops have been specifically created for this age group. [Find out more.](#)

### **Big Bang Digital**

22nd-24th June

Big Bang Digital 2022 will feature 6 STEM panels streamed live from The Big Bang Fair (2 each day), where students get to hear from real scientists and engineers, shining a spotlight on sustainability, health and wellness and technology, ask questions and get inspired. [Find out more.](#)

### **Oxford Brookes Open Day**

24th June

Oxford Brookes are holding their next undergraduate open day. [Register here.](#) They want to welcome school and college groups and will be hosting mini CPD conferences for professionals, as well as UCAS/application support sessions. Contact [schools.liaison@brookes.ac.uk](mailto:schools.liaison@brookes.ac.uk) or register using the [group booking form.](#)

### **Retail Careers Hour**

7th July, 10:00

Aimed primarily at KS4 & 5, this broadcast will feature a live panel, LMI and video insights from employers and young people in the retail and supply chain sector. There will be a live q&a and jobs board and the recordings can be accessed after the event to be used at a time to suit. [Find out more.](#)

### **Green Futures Conference**

11th July, 10:00–17:00

This conference at Hill End is a wonderful opportunity for students aged 16-18 who want to use their interest in the environment in their future careers to spend time talking to representatives from businesses and organisations that are actively tackling environmental issues. It costs £4 per student. [Register here.](#)

### **Morgan Stanley Insight Day**

29th July from 09:00-17:00

Step In, Step Up is an introductory one-day programme on for Year 12/13 female students. It takes place

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12th June. [Register here](#).

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## Useful Links

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

[The Parent Perspective podcast](#)

[T Levels newsletter](#)

[Specsavers careers](#)

[A Guide to Career Options](#)

[Escape Studios Careers Guide](#)

[Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

[Step into the NHS](#)

['The Keys To Your Future' film](#)

[Find Your Future](#)

[Choices post 16 resource](#)

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