

OxLEP Skills: Picks of the Week

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## Picks of the Week: 17th October 2022

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



## Events



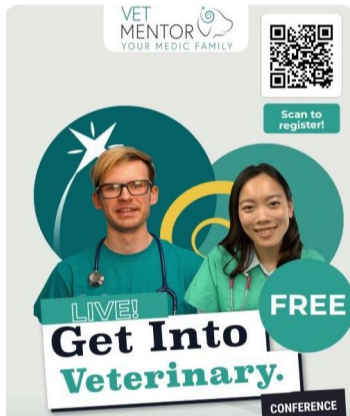
### Velocity Football Open Event

<https://ignite.coordinate.cloud/project/36330>

This open event on **19th October from 18:00-19:00** at Oxford City FC will explore 16+ options with Ignite Sport Apprenticeships and the Velocity Football Programme. The evening will include a showcase of the facilities, introduction to staff and information on how to enrol.

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PwC's Virtual Classroom Series is for **Year 10-13 students** and will give them the opportunity to learn about who PwC are, what they do and the opportunities they have available, including speaking to recent Flying Start and School and College Leaver joiners. It runs from **October to December**.



## Get Into Veterinary Conference

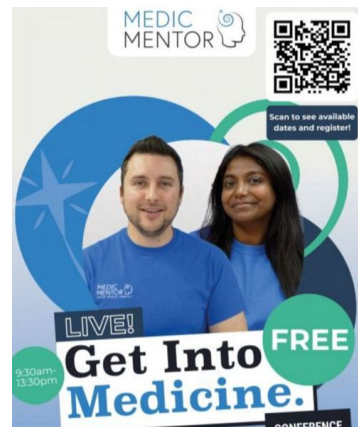
<https://medicmentor.co.uk/online-get-into-veterinary-medicine-conference>

Students in **Years 10-12** who are aspiring to be vets are invited to attend a free live virtual Get into Veterinary Conference on **22nd October from 10:00-15:00** to find out all about the job and applying for uni. [Download a flyer.](#)

## Get Into Medicine Conference

<https://medicmentor.co.uk/medicine-national-healthcare-weekend>

Your aspiring medical students in **Years 10-12** are invited to attend a free live virtual Get into Medicine Conference - there are a range of dates in November to choose from, starting from **6th November**. [Download a flyer.](#)



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## Finding Apprenticeships Webinar

[Registration link](#)

Suitable for teachers, careers advisers and parents/carers, the next webinar in the ASK learning and development programme on **9th November from 15:30** shares useful tips on how to locate a range of Apprenticeship opportunities.

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Join this exclusive webinar on **10th November from 15:30** to find out more about T Levels and how they are of value to young people aged 16-18. Amazing Apprenticeships will be joined in the session by expert guest speakers from the Department for Education.



## Finance & Professional Services

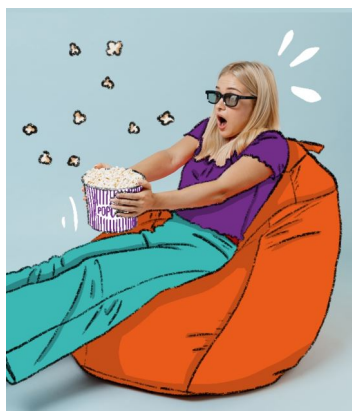
<https://pathwayctm.com/event/get-into-finance-professional-services>

This Pathway CTM in person multi-brand event will take place on **10th November from 17:00-19:30** in London. Students will have the opportunity to gain an insight into the world of finance and professional services.

## Oxford Brookes Open Day

[www.brookes.ac.uk/open-days](http://www.brookes.ac.uk/open-days)

The next Oxford Brookes undergraduate open day will take place on **12th November from 10:00-16:00**. This is an opportunity for students to chat to staff and students and find out about the courses they are interested in by joining subject-specific sessions and workshops.



## RateMyApprenticeship Event

<https://events.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk>

This virtual event will take place on **22nd November from 17:00-20:00**. Throughout the evening, current Apprentices will be talking about their experiences. Attendees can meet employers, get an exclusive employability session with The University of Law and receive an attendance certificate for their CV.

## Oxfordshire Future Skills Questionnaire Workshop

[www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/oxfordshire-compass-feature-deep-dive-future-skills-questionnaire-tickets-425697712317](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/oxfordshire-compass-feature-deep-dive-future-skills-questionnaire-tickets-425697712317)

A reminder that the Oxfordshire Compass+ Feature Deep Dive Future Skills Questionnaire Workshop will take place at Oxford City Football Club on **22nd November at either 10:00-12:00 or 13:00-15:00** and will give you the opportunity to gain an in depth understanding of this powerful resource.

The workshop is open to all Careers Leaders but will be especially useful for those who have recently upgraded to Compass+, those who require a refresher or those who want to learn how to maximise the benefits of the resource.

Learning outcomes from the event:

- Enable Careers Leaders to select the appropriate questionnaire and share directly with their students
- Support Careers Leaders to understand the value from analysing the data to quickly identify trends and patterns to inform their future provision
- Support Careers Leaders to identify individual pupil needs, to enable targeted support where required
- There will also be an opportunity to ask any general Compass+ questions you have during the workshop and network with your peers

## Resources

### Creative Industries Careers Film

[www.oxfordshirelep.com/ocis2022](https://www.oxfordshirelep.com/ocis2022)

This film was made at the Creative Industries Showcase, led by OxLEP and Oxford Brookes in June. It features people from a range of roles talking about their career journeys and sharing advice about how to start a career in the creative industries.



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

Episode 4 of this podcast from Amazing Apprenticeships is all about considering the options. This week's guests discuss the importance of keeping options open and never trying to predict the opportunities that might arise.

## Parents' and Carers' Pack

**Parents' and carers' Pack**  
Helping your child search and apply for apprenticeships  
Edition 39: October 2022



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The latest edition of the Amazing Apprenticeships Parents' and Carers' Pack is now available, which shares useful information about the difference between Apprenticeships, Traineeships and T Levels, support for children with dyslexia and insights into post-16 and post-18 options.



## Apprenticeships



### HMGCC

[www.hmgcc.gov.uk/our-teams/apprenticeships](http://www.hmgcc.gov.uk/our-teams/apprenticeships)

HM Government Communications Centre has a range of Apprenticeship opportunities at different levels, including Electronics (L6), Software Development & Testing (L4), IT and Mechanical Manufacturing (L3) and Customer Service (L2).

Closing date: **7th November**.

## Dates For Your Diary

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

**Oxford Science & Ideas Festival**

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in 25 venues across Oxford, including talks, performances, films, tours and six popular family-friendly interactive zones. [Find out more.](#)

### **Nursing - Not Just One Route In**

19th October, 15:30

At this webinar, you will be able to find out more about the various ways into the profession, including new online degrees, Apprenticeships and entry level routes which provide flexibility and accessibility. [Register here.](#)

### **Digital and Tech With QA**

19th October, 18:00-19:00

At this virtual event, QA will be speaking about what they do as one of the UK's digital education and skills providers and the opportunities available in the sector. [Register here.](#)

### **Women in STEM at PwC**

19th October, 18:30–19:15

This webinar is for students in Years 10 to 13 and their parents/carers. They will hear from inspiring females in technology and discover what a career in technology or accounting at PwC could look like. [Register here.](#)

### **Oxford Careers Fair**

27th October, 10:00-14:00

Oxford Careers Fair is taking place at Oxford Town Hall and is for people aged 16+ to speak to representatives from a range of local employers about a variety of roles. [Register here.](#)

### **Art & Design Portfolio Sessions**

24th-28th October

Oxford Brookes are running free Art & Design portfolio preparation sessions for Year 12 and 13 students during half term to help develop and enhance their portfolio in preparation for applying to Art & Design courses. [Apply here.](#)

### **Mental Health Careers in the NHS**

19th January from 15:00

This webinar will highlight the wide variety of roles that work in mental health settings, including latest roles in the psychological professions and to find out more about other pathways for people with an interest in mental health. [Register here.](#)

### **Green Careers Week**

7th-12th November 2022

Please save the date for the new Green Careers Week, which will be delivered in partnership by National Careers Week and STEM Learning. [Find out more.](#)

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Oxfordshire Advanced Skills are holding an Apprenticeship Open Evening for students to tour the facilities, meet current Apprentices and ask all their questions. [Find out more.](#)

### **Diamond Post 16 Open Day**

8th November

Diamond are holding an in person schools open day on for students in Years 12 and 13, which will welcome them to Diamond to meet scientists, find out about the exciting work taking place there and have a tour of the synchrotron itself. [Find out more.](#)

### **Lloyds Banking Group Insight**

9th November, 18:00-19:00

At this Pathway CTM online insight event, students can learn more about Lloyds Banking Group, their Apprenticeship programmes and hear from current Apprentices. [Register here.](#)

### **Abingdon & Witney College Open Evenings**

Abingdon Campus - 9th November, 15:30-19:00

Witney Campus - 16th November, 15:30-19:00

At these Abingdon & Witney College open evenings, students will be able to discover their range of full-time courses, what Apprenticeships they could do and life after college. [Find out more.](#)

### **What Uni? & What Career? Live**

11th-12th November

This event for 15-19 year olds takes place at Olympia London and may be useful for parents/carers to be aware of. It meets Gatsby Benchmarks 5 & 7, making it a useful addition to your CEIAG programme. [Find out more.](#)

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### **Careers Jam 2023**

27th April 2023

You can now register your interest for Founders4Schools Careers Jam 2023. If you have any questions for the team, please contact them on [careersjam@f4s.org.uk](mailto:careersjam@f4s.org.uk). [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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