

OxLEP Skills: Picks of the Week

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Picks of the Week: 20th September 2022

There are lots of events and opportunities in Picks of the Week this week. Please share these with your students, colleagues and parents/carers.



Events

Careers Hub Celebration Event

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/oxfordshire-careers-hub-a-celebration-of-success-tickets-387965795137

We are looking forward to welcoming all of our Careers Hub **Careers Leads and Enterprise Advisers** to Blenheim Palace on **29th September**. You will hear from Careers Leads and EA's sharing best practice, and the Head of HR from Blenheim Palace, who will be joined by a couple of their apprentices, about their apprenticeship programme. Our key note speaker is Vanessa Lefrancois, the Joint Director and CEO of Oxford Playhouse and she will be sharing what's happening right now in one of our biggest sectors, along with what's next, the opportunities for young people and the skills they are looking for.

There will also be plenty of time for networking both before and after the event and there will be a small Marketplace running enabling you to catch up with some of the providers who support schools/colleges in Oxfordshire.

Please [register via Eventbrite](#) to secure your place, and also so that we can confirm numbers with Blenheim for refreshments.

Please contact Mark Massingham on mark.massingham@partner.bmwgroup.com by **16th September** if you would like to attend the BMW schools meeting on **30th September from 09:00-10:00** at MINI Plant Oxford, OX4 6NL (the event will be hosted in the T Building where Careers Fest is held). If you would like to stay for an extra half hour, you can see the Junior Campus which is located in the car park). Doors open from **08:45**, agenda as follows:

- Apprenticeship landscape overview
- Recruitment overview
- Work Experience update
- Junior Campus - how you can book on for your school
- Portfolio Sessions
- How BMW Group can help you
- Gatsby Benchmark support
- Hear from the Group Leader for Apprentice Training across the UK who will be able to share more insight into the Apprentice landscape over the coming year/s



Berkshire College of Agriculture

www.bca.ac.uk/events/college-open-day-oct-2

This open day on **1st October from 10:00-14:00** is an opportunity for students to visit BCA and tour the campus and facilities and find out about the courses on offer.

City of Oxford College

<https://oxford.activatelearning.ac.uk/events>

There are open days at the City of Oxford College [City Centre Campus](#) on **8th October** and [Blackbird Leys Technology Campus](#) on **15th October from 09:30–12:30** for students to tour the facilities and find out about the courses on offer.



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www.brookes.ac.uk/open-days

There next undergraduate open day at Oxford Brookes will take place on **8th October from 10:00-16:00**. Students will be able to tour the campus and accommodation, attend subject workshops and experience what what student life is really like.

IBM Apprenticeships Webinar

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ibm-apprenticeships-webinar-tickets-410313397417

This webinar on **12th October from 18:30–19:15** is for students in **Years 10 to 13** and their parents/carers who are considering a career in technology and would like to find out about Apprenticeship opportunities with IBM.



Digital and Tech With QA

<https://pathwayctm.com/event/digital-tech-opportunities-with-qa>

At this virtual event on **19th October from 18:00-19:00**, 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.



Women in STEM at PwC

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/women-in-stem-at-pwc-tickets-410462593667

This webinar on **19th October from 18:30–19:15** 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.





Brookes Engage

www.brookes.ac.uk/outreach/post-16/brookes-engage

Brookes Engage is a new outreach programme for students in **Year 12**. Application deadline: **30th October**. They will have the opportunity to visit the campus for conference days, access online content and be mentored by current Brookes students.

Allied Health Mentor

<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme>

This live virtual work experience programme is created and delivered by healthcare professionals. Students can attend a single day or a full 5 month programme where they follow patients from admission to discharge. It costs £10 per day or £45 for all 5 sessions. The 1st session is **2nd October**.



HSBC Taster Days

<https://pathwayctm.com/events>

Pathway CTM are holding 2 in person taster days for students who are interested in a career in commercial banking and would like to know what it's like to work at HSBC. They will take place from 10:00-14:30 on **14th October** in [Birmingham](#) and **18th October** in [London](#).

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<https://pathwayctm.com/event/virtual-work-experience-day-with-royal-mail>

Pathway CTM are holding a virtual work experience day with Royal Mail on **24th October from 10:00-15:00** where students can hear all about who Royal Mail are, what kinds of Apprenticeships they offer and network directly with senior staff and current Apprentices.



Resources



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ERIC - Creative Industries Hub

www.meet-eric.com/explore-the-creative-industries

This new free microsite for schools/colleges is packed with careers resources, LMI, facts and predictions about the 16 creative industries. There is a 10 minute film and an app that students can download. You can sign up for a weekly newsletter to receive LMI, resources and opportunities.

Barclays Online Assessments Tool

<https://barclayslifeskills.com/i-want-help-applying-for-jobs/sixth-form/assessment-test>

This online assessments tool helps students to practice the sorts of online tests employers use to check abilities, skills and personality type. They can have as many goes as they need to feel ready for the real thing.

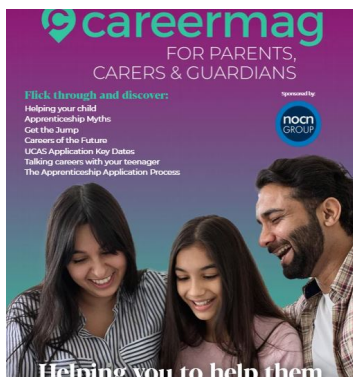


New Careers Guidance Requirements

[Link to statutory guidance for schools](#)

As many of you know, [The Education \(Careers Guidance in Schools\) Act 2022](#) came into force on 1st September. The Act means that schools must now secure independent careers guidance for

statutory duty to academy schools and alternative provision academies in England.



Careermag for Parents/Carers

<https://careermag.co.uk/careermag-parents-carers-guardians>

This free online magazine for parents and carers includes lots of advice on how to support your child with their career choices, key UCAS dates, Apprenticeships and jobs of the future.

Apprenticeships

Grundon

[Link to the vacancy](#)

Grundon in Banbury are currently recruiting for an Apprentice Account Manager to build long-term relationships with customers and secure repeat business. The Apprentice will work towards a Level 4 Sales Executive Apprenticeship and earn £21K.



Police Controller

[Link to the vacancy](#)

You must be 18 to apply for this Level 3 Police Call Handler Apprenticeship with Thames Valley Police in Abingdon. There are 30 positions available and the role pays £31.5K. The Apprentices will perform one of the most demanding roles in the modern police force and one which is key to inspiring satisfaction and confidence in the community.

Dates For Your Diary

Get Into Medicine Conferences

25th September and 1st October, 10:00-15:00

Medic Mentor are running free live virtual conferences for aspiring medical students in Years 10-12.

Students must be accompanied by a parent/carers and will receive a certificate for attending. [Find out more.](#)

Oxford Science & Ideas Festival

6th–30th October

The Oxford Science & Ideas Festival returns with 100 science and ideas events and activities happening in 25 venues across Oxford, including talks, performances, films, tours and six popular family-friendly interactive zones. [Find out more.](#)

Role Model Week

10th-14th October

Founders 4 Schools Role Model Week is an opportunity to recognise the impact role models can have on young people's aspirations and ambitions. [Find out more.](#)

National T Levels Week

10th–14th October

There are plenty of ways that you can get involved with National T Levels Week, including sharing information with your students, parents/carers and colleagues through classroom activities, case studies and resources. [Find out more.](#)

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.](#)

Oxfordshire Advanced Skills Apprenticeship Open Evening

8th November, 17:00 or 18:00

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.](#)

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.](#)

Careers Jam 2023

27th April 2023

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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

[RateMyApprenticeship reviews](#)

[Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards 2022](#)

[101 Jobs That Change The World](#)

[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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