

OxLEP Skills: Picks of the Week

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## Picks of the Week: 26th 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.



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## Events

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### Careers Hub Celebration Event

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 Careers Leads and EAs sharing best practice and the Head of HR from Blenheim talking about their Apprenticeship programme. Our key note speaker is Vanessa Lefrancois, the Joint Director and CEO of Oxford Playhouse who will be sharing what's happening in one of our biggest sectors and the opportunities for young people.

If you haven't registered but would like to come, please contact your Enterprise Coordinator to ensure we have your details for catering purposes.

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Guest speaker: Abigail Changer,  
NHS Health Careers

[www.theCDI.net/Skills-training-events/nhs-at-74-series-health-careers-an-overview-/15255](http://www.the CDI.net/Skills-training-events/nhs-at-74-series-health-careers-an-overview-/15255)

Apologies for the short notice, but if you are free this morning **26th September at 11:30**, NHS Health Careers Information Lead Abi Changer will be giving a whistle-stop tour of all things health careers in this webinar.

## ASK Information Webinar

[Registration link](#)

This webinar on **27th September from 15:30–16:00** is for **Careers Leads and parents/carers**. It will highlight what's on offer for your students or your children post 16 and post 18 and give some suggestions for if they change their path during the year.



## Bicester Village Careers Event

<http://careers-bicester.icims.com/connect?eventId=128034&shareLink=1>

Bicester Village are holding a careers event from **30th September to 2nd October from 10:00-13:00 and 14:00-17:00**, which may be of interest to students who are looking for weekend job, or who are interested in a career in retail and hospitality.

## Role Model Week

[www.founders4schools.org.uk/f4sevents](http://www.founders4schools.org.uk/f4sevents)

Founders4Schools Role Model Week takes place from **10th- 14th October**. You can [sign up your school](#) or students can attend digital events - [Surprising Careers with Physics with Institute of Physics](#) on **10th October at 14:30** and [Early Careers: Women in Tech with TCS](#) on **11th October at 14:30**.



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## Health & Social Care Event for Oxfordshire Careers Leads

This session will take place on **13th October from 10:00-11:30 at Jurys Inn**. Please respond to the calendar invite you should have already received to confirm your attendance, or email your Enterprise Coordinator.

The session, in partnership with Health Education England and HealthTec, will give you an understanding of the 350+ careers and Apprenticeships in the NHS and Social Care. You will leave with a full range of knowledge about the offer and resources available from Health Education England and how they and other related organisations can support you in and out of school to inspire young people for their next steps. Experts from Health Education England, local employers and others will be there to give you the information and tools you need to support your students.

The session will include:

- Careers teaching resources, tools and tips and websites to help you offer advice and guidance
- How to access free interactive workshop (face to face) for your school, delivered by HealthTec
- Information about Apprenticeships, career pathways, university requirements and roles in NHS and social care
- Opportunity to meet your local employers to ask them about opportunities in Oxfordshire, including work experience and volunteering opportunities
- Bust some of the myths about working in the NHS and Social Care
- New Health & Social Care LMI resources including classroom posters and case studies



## Nursing - Not Just One Route In

### [Registration link](#)

At this webinar on **19th October from 15:30**, 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.

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Oxford Brookes are running free Art & Design portfolio preparation sessions for **Year 12 and 13 students** during half term, **24th - 28th October**. Students will explore a variety of different areas in Art & Design through group activities and independent work to develop and enhance their portfolio in preparation for applying to Art & Design courses. Deadline to apply: **18th October**.



## Diamond

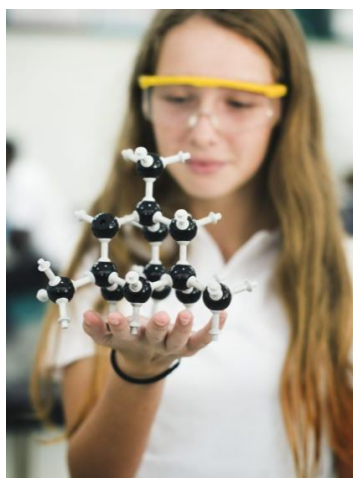
[www.diamond.ac.uk/Public/For-School/Open-days-and-other-events.html](http://www.diamond.ac.uk/Public/For-School/Open-days-and-other-events.html)

You may already have received details of these but we wanted to draw your attention to a few opportunities. Diamond are holding an [in person schools open day](#) on **8th November for students in Years 12 and 13**. As places are limited, you need to complete a ballot by **4th October** to express an interest in a group visit. You can also arrange a [virtual class visit](#) of 45 minutes. Students also have the opportunity to register for an [in person public open day](#) on **5th November**.

## STFC Rutherford Appleton Laboratory (RAL)

[www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/stfc-rutherford-appleton-laboratory-ral-8356531094](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/stfc-rutherford-appleton-laboratory-ral-8356531094)

A number of events are taking place at RAL throughout the Autumn and Spring for different ages of students, for example a series of [free monthly scientific lectures](#) by invited speakers from September to June and an exciting [team-based computing challenge](#) for **Year 8 and 9 students** to celebrate Ada Lovelace Day on **11th October**.



## Young Scientists of the Year

<https://scienceoxford.com/events/young-scientists-year-2>

Science Oxford are holding a Young Scientists of the Year celebration at the Museum of Natural History on **16th November**. You can nominate **Year 13 students** for their hard work, commitment and achievement in science. Nominations close on **24th October**.

<https://nationalspaceacademy.org/what-we-do/careers-conferences/online-careers-conference>

The National Space Academy are holding online conferences for **students aged 14-18 on 3rd December** and **parents/carers on 1st December**. The conferences will share information about some of the most exciting job opportunities within an ever-growing industry.



## Year 10 Study Conference

[www.brookes.ac.uk/outreach/pre-16/year-10-study-conference](http://www.brookes.ac.uk/outreach/pre-16/year-10-study-conference)

Through a series of subject-specific sessions, **Year 10 students** will have the opportunity to explore how their current learning in English, Maths and Science could be used to support their future education and careers. Various dates are available from **December to May**.

## CPD

### Oxfordshire Future Skills Questionnaire Workshop

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

This 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:

- 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

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## Work Experience and Insights

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### PwC New World, New Skills Schools Series

[Download detailed information about the programme](#)

This free programme runs in **November and is for students in Years 10-13**. It includes the following:

#### Session 1 - Personal Brand

For students to understand how they can develop themselves for the world of work. This session can also be delivered as a stand alone session as a skills session if not attending the office visit.

#### Session 2 - Office Visit

An opportunity to visit PwC's offices in Reading (**NB** In order to attend an in-person visit, schools will need to have above average free school meals (17%) or be based in a social mobility coldspot (Oxford City). If you are not eligible you will be offered a virtual programme). Students will be introduced to a consulting project which they will work on in teams - developing innovative solutions to real-life problems.

#### Session 3 - Wellbeing and Resilience

This session will help students to develop resilience and make conscious choices for wellbeing.

This session is recorded and can be delivered at any time before the office visit. This session can also be delivered as a stand alone session as a skills session if not attending the office visit.

#### OPTIONAL Session 4 - Routes into PwC

A member of our recruitment team will talk through what options are available for students looking to apply to PwC and how they should find out more.

PwC will provide a pack of resources that you can use for students attending the office to anticipate and prepare for their visit and reflect on their experience once they have visited. At minimum you will have 3 sessions but you could run up to 6 sessions, including the day visit to PwC. There is also the option to engage with the programme only virtually - this may be suitable if the office visit is too far, or the options you would have gone for are now fully booked.



Please complete and return the [booking form](#) with as many details as possible. PwC will check if your school is eligible for the office visit and confirm your details. If you have any questions, please email [uk\\_nwns\\_schools\\_series@pwc.com](mailto:uk_nwns_schools_series@pwc.com)

## STEM Insight Week

<https://scienceoxford.com/schools/secondary-schools/insight-weeks>

Science Oxford's STEM Insight Week for **Year 10 students** will take place during half term, **24th-28th October**. Applications close on **14th October**. They aim to offer a wide range of external business visits as well as insightful career advice from STEM workers and Apprentices.



## Virtual Work Experience Week

<https://pathwayctm.com/events>

Pathway CTM are holding a virtual work experience week from **24th-28th October** with sessions running from **10:00-15:00** each day. Students can learn about different sectors and employers each day and get an insight into a variety of jobs, Apprenticeships and careers.

## Resources

### Green Jobs Resources

<https://seeitbeit.org.uk/resources-for-schools>

See it, Be it have created a series of lesson resources featuring a range of people that work in green jobs. The lessons include activities for students and links to video clips, which can also be used as stand alone resources. They are editable so you can adapt them to suit your students and the time you have.



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## Catalyst

[www.stem.org.uk/catalyst-enrichment](http://www.stem.org.uk/catalyst-enrichment)

Catalyst from STEM Learning is a suite of opportunities for young people to explore science and its relevance to them, their studies and future careers. It includes webinars, a magazine and virtual careers fairs. There is also an online 10 week mentoring programme available to **students aged 14-18**, which they need to sign up for by **4th October**.

## ASK 2022/23 Offer

<https://mailchi.mp/amazingapprenticeships/ask2021-1646557>

Through the 2022/23 Apprenticeship Support and Knowledge for schools and colleges programme (ASK), schools/colleges, students and their families will be able to access important information about Apprenticeships, Traineeships and T Levels. The latest newsletter gives links to resources such as the ASK explainer film, information webinars, brochure, vacancy lists and parents/carers packs and how to book.



## Go Construct STEM Ambassadors

[www.goconstruct.org/get-started-in-construction/go-construct-stem-ambassadors/request-an-ambassador](http://www.goconstruct.org/get-started-in-construction/go-construct-stem-ambassadors/request-an-ambassador)

Go Construct STEM Ambassadors are volunteers working in the construction industry who offer their time, at no charge, to share their experiences of working in construction with young people. They come from a wide range of backgrounds, from first-year Apprentices to company directors. You can book them for in person or virtual sessions.



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

Episode 1 of this podcast from Amazing Apprenticeships is now available. Rachel Burden leads the conversation, kicking things off with a brilliant episode about workplace opportunities and the options available to school leavers.



## Early Careers



### PwC

[www.pwc.co.uk/careers/early-careers.html](http://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/early-careers.html)

If you have students looking for opportunities to join PwC straight from school or college, their full-time school and college leaver programmes are designed to help them develop their business skills through real client work, while also completing formal training and studying towards qualifications.

## Dates For Your Diary

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

### **Berkshire College of Agriculture**

1st October, 10:00-14:00

This open day is an opportunity for students to visit BCA and tour the campus and facilities and find out about the courses on offer. [Find out more.](#)

### **Get Into Medicine Conferences**

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/carer and will receive a certificate for attending. [Find out more.](#)

### **Oxford Science & Ideas Festival**

6th–30th October

interactive zones. [Find out more.](#)

### City of Oxford College

8th and 15th October, 09:30–12:30

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

### Oxford Brookes Undergraduate Open Day

8th October, 10:00-16:00

At this undergraduate open day at Oxford Brookes, students will be able to tour the campus and accommodation, attend subject workshops and experience what student life is really like. [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.](#)

### IBM Apprenticeships Webinar

12th October, 18:30–19:15

This webinar 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. [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.](#)

### Green Careers Week

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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

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.

[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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