

OxLEP Skills: Picks of the Week

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Picks of the Week: 28th November 2022

Please share the links in Picks of the Week with your students, colleagues and parents/carers and let us know at skills@oxfordshirelep.com if there's anything you would like to include in a future issue.



Events

Training Provider Networking Event

<https://trainingprovidernetwork250123.eventbrite.co.uk>

We are organising an event on **25th January from 09:00-11:00** at Unipart for Careers Leaders and teachers to meet with a range of training providers to facilitate working together. We currently have over 15 training providers attending. Along with you making connections to help you meet the new Provider Access Legislation that comes into effect in January 2023, the event will improve your understanding of the opportunities on offer, so that you can ensure your students are aware of all pathways available to them.

You will be able to talk to representatives from a wide range of training providers who are based in, or deliver in, Oxfordshire. Many of them will work with multiple employers in the county, so as well as building your network of training providers they may also be able to support you in making connections with Oxfordshire employers.

We urge you all to attend this event, and please share this with colleagues who may also find building



Apprenticeship Instagram Live

www.instagram.com/ratemyapprenticeship

RateMyApprenticeship are holding an Apprenticeships Mythbusting Instagram Live on **30th November from 18:00** with two current Apprentices. Students will have the opportunity to hear all about Apprenticeships from young people who are already doing them.

GES Apprenticeships

[Registration link](#)

Join this Amazing Apprenticeships webinar on **7th December from 15:30-16:30** to find out more about the Government Economic Service Economist Degree Apprenticeship programme, which is opening for applications on **19th December**.



Get Into Tech, Digital and IT

<https://pathwayctm.com/event/get-into-tech-digital-it>

This virtual event on **8th December from 17:30-19:15** will be both in person and live streamed. Students in **Years 9-13** can hear from PwC, Accenture & Deutsche Bank and learn about how to get into the tech, digital & IT sector.

Deloitte Virtual Taster Day

<https://pathwayctm.com/event/deloitte-virtual-taster-day>

At this virtual taster day on **15th December from 10:00-15:00**, students will get to learn more about Deloitte as an organisation



CPD

Progression Routes in Oxfordshire & Supported Employment

Following feedback from special schools, as well as a consultation with providers across Oxfordshire, [British Association of Supported Employment](#) (BASE) will be running two (out of 3 sessions) in the next year. These CPD sessions will develop your understanding of the progression routes in Oxfordshire for your students. You will look at the values of Supported Employment, how to develop your employer engagement and developing employment pathways for your current and future students. We have a few places remaining for Careers Leads or SENCOs. Please read below to find out more about this fantastic opportunity and how to register.

This CPD opportunity has the potential to transform the destinations of your students and really put into practice the skills and opportunities that your careers programmes develop and provide. This is a project which we are liaising with Oxfordshire Supported Employment (OSE) on, they have recently received funding from DWP and so are growing their Supported Internship, Apprenticeship and employment options at the same time. It is important that you can make the first 2 sessions which BASE are running (dates below).

- **Tuesday 6th December 2022**, full day at Unipart - Values of Supported Employment, BASE
- **Tuesday 25th April 2023**, full day at Unipart - Employer Engagement, BASE
- TBC but late 2023 - Developing Employment Pathways, OxLEP (and hopefully OSE)

If you or a colleague would like to attend, please email eleanor.gordon-martin@oxfordshirelep.com. As there are limited places, we can only accept one representative from each school.

Careers Programmes

Health Education England KS3 Careers Programme

Health Education England is teaming up with Connectr to deliver a one-of-a-kind virtual careers programme starting in **Autumn 2022**. The programme will run **until May 2023** and will be targeted at students with Special Educational Needs and those in lower set classes in Key Stage 3. The programme aligns with Gatsby Benchmarks 1,5 and 8.

What do the students receive?

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- access to a mentor of their choice currently working in a range of NHS careers
- although aimed at KS3 pupils, schools have found that older age groups also benefit, especially from the mentoring side of the platform

Next steps

- sign up to the Connectr platform, <https://hee.connectr.co.uk/hee>. Please make sure that you select the 'Teacher' option from the dropdown menu on the sign up page
- see the Teacher Guide module and view the modules available to students on the platform. More modules will be added during the programme
- send an estimated number of SEN and Lower Ability KS3 students that you wish to put forward for the programme to hee@connectr.com

Attend an information session

If you'd like to find out more, please sign up for one of the forthcoming Zoom sessions via the links below:

23rd November at 15.30

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9191212121>

30th November at 15.30

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9191212121>

Competition



**IF YOU WERE AN
ENGINEER
WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

If You Were An Engineer...

<https://leadersaward.com>

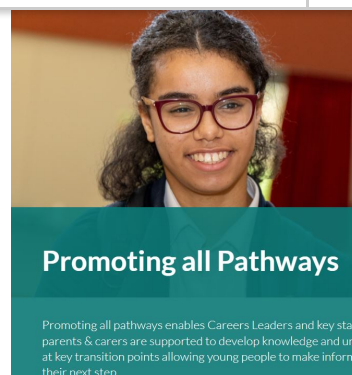
'If you were an engineer, what would you do?' is an annual, UK-wide competition open to all primary and secondary pupils in all schools. Pupils interview engineering and technology professionals, identify a problem and design a solution to it. Resources and lesson plans are available to support.

Resources

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<https://resources.careersandenterprise.co.uk/promoting-all-pathways>

Watch these CEC films to find out about why and how you should be promoting all pathways. Hear how other schools, special schools and colleges are implementing a progressive carers programme, where students are supported to understand and consider all routes with equity.



Careers Seminar Recording

https://youtu.be/g_b6jkw26sM

"What does excellence in Apprenticeships and technical education look like?" This Careers Excellence Seminar is an opportunity to hear how leaders in schools and colleges, alongside providers and employers, are driving impact for young people whilst exploring the vital role careers education plays in creating successful transitions to Apprenticeships and technical education.

Apprenticeships

Government Economic Service

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/ges>

The Government Economic Service will be opening applications on **19th December** this year for their Economist Degree Apprenticeship programme for 2023. There are over 60 vacancies nationwide, with departments such as the HM Treasury and the Department for Work and Pensions.



Dates For Your Diary

KPMG Insight Event

29th November, 18:00-19:00

At this virtual event, students will learn about the Apprenticeship programmes that KPMG have and hear from an Apprentice talking about their experience. [Register here.](#)

RAL Space Early Careers Conference

30th November, 09:50–12:00

This virtual RAL Space Early Careers Conference will highlight a range of pathways into and careers within the space sector, including opportunities with RAL Space and STFC through exciting talks and a panel discussion with plenty of opportunity to ask questions. It is aimed at GCSE / A Level students and above. [Register here.](#)

Getting ready for National Apprenticeship Week 2023

5th December, 15:00

Are you a careers leader in need of some ideas and inspiration for National Apprenticeship Week? Join this short webinar to hear about the free resources and support available, what to expect from the week and how to get involved. [Register here.](#)

How to register and apply for Apprenticeships

6th December, 15:30

A step-by-step guide to the Find an Apprenticeship site and tips for the application process. [Register here.](#)

Actuaries Careers Insight

6th December, 18:30–19:30

This virtual event is for Year 10-13 students and their parents/carers. The Institute of Actuaries will give an introduction to actuarial careers, what being an actuary involves and the type of work they do. [Register here.](#)

Thales Insight Event

6th December, 18:00-19:00

Two out of three aircrafts in the world take off and land using Thales technology! This event will inform students about their different business areas and what their Apprenticeship programmes can offer.

[Register here.](#)

Lloyds Banking Apprenticeships

13th December, 18:30-19:15

This webinar is for Year 10-13 students and their parents/carers to find out all about Apprenticeships at Lloyds Banking Group and find out what skill sets they are looking for, their culture and values, how they want to build the bank of the future and where an apprenticeship with Lloyds could take you. [Register here.](#)

ASK: everything you need to know

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part of the ASK programme. Expert speakers from Amazing Apprenticeships and the DfE will highlight what's new in technical education and apprenticeships, and will cover any recent changes in policy and funding. [Register here](#).

Velocity Football Open Event

21st December, 16:00-18:00

This event at Oxford City Football Club will include a short presentation about Velocity Football, introduction to staff and a practical session, so students should bring boots, shin pads and water. [Register 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](#).

Training Provider Marketplace

25th January, 09:00-11:00

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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. [Find out more](#).

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

[The Billion Tonne Drop film](#)

[Green Careers Week](#)

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