

OxLEP Skills: Picks of the Week

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Picks of the Week: 4th April 2022

This is our last Picks of the Week before the Easter holiday. We hope you enjoy a well earned and relaxing break and we'll be back on 25th April.



Compass Update

Please remember to do a Compass update by the end of term.
Please contact your Enterprise Coordinator if you need any support with this.

Support for Students at Risk of NEET

Funded Guidance for Students at Risk of Becoming NEET

We still have some Ahead of the Game programme funding available for additional guidance for **Year 11-13 students who are at risk of becoming NEET**.

Through Adviza, we are offering careers and employability related support in either small groups or as 1:1s. Adviza are able to work with schools flexibly and collaboratively to meet the needs of your students. Along with individual careers guidance some of the support they can offer includes:

- Post 18 options with a focus on alternatives to HE
- Identifying your skills and how to present them
- CV writing
- Information and advice sessions on Apprenticeships

Adviza are also happy to discuss any other ideas on how they can tailor this support to work for your students. Please book a session by emailing MyChoicesOxLEP@adviza.org.uk.

Referrals to the OCC EET Service

Oxfordshire County Council's Education, Employment & Training Service (EET) team will start taking referrals at the end of April for Year 11 students who don't have a plan in place for September 2022.

If you have students in Year 11 who are at significant risk of not being in education or training in September 2022, please contact Elaine North on 07785 453261 or Tricia Duncan on 07393 001023, or email eetreferrals@oxfordshire.gov.uk.

Easter Holiday Activities

Holiday Activities and Food

[Link to the Family Information Directory](#)

Holiday Activities and Food is providing 4 days of Easter break activity camps, which include lunch, for students **up to Year 11** who are in receipt of benefits related free school meals. Parents/carers should use the code **FSM21** or, for Elite and Ignite activities, **FSM22**, to access the [range of activities](#).



STEMettes
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Stemettes Explore

https://stemettes.org/explore/?mc_cid=36cdaa7645&mc_eid=3a14c221a6

These free sessions take place online from **5th-14th April** and bring together young women and non-binary people to learn from role models across STEM entrepreneurship, industry and academia. They explore STEM careers and opportunities.

Abbott Apprenticeship Event

[Link to register](#)

Students can join Abbott Diabetes Care at this online event on **6th April from 18:00-19:00** to hear more about the engineering apprenticeship opportunities on offer at their Witney facility. Students can [apply now](#) for a September start.



Oxfordshire CEIAG Conference

[Link to register](#)

Oxfordshire County Council are hosting the 9th Annual Oxfordshire CEIAG Conference on **6th April** via MS Teams. It's free to attend and will cover topics such as supporting SEND students, The Prince's Trust and Children We Care For.

Pilot Careers Live

www.pilotcareernews.com/live

Students interested in a career in the airline industry can attend this event on **9th April** virtually for free, or buy tickets to attend in person at Heathrow. They will find out all about careers in the industry, education and training options and how to prepare for the selection process.



EMBS Open Days

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EMBS Community College are holding open days on **13th and 14th April from 09:00-17:00** for students and their parents/carers to find out about the post 16 courses on offer, meet current students and staff and have a tour of EMBS. [Download some information](#) about EMBS Sixth Form.

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University vs Apprenticeships

www.airmeet.com/e/a2c6be60-b0f6-11ec-996e-dbbf4375de2a

At this free online networking event in partnership with Gen Z Talks on **20th April from 12:00-13:15**, a student at Warwick Uni and an apprentice at Google will debate 'University vs Apprenticeships' and what option is more valuable today.



Stemettes Associates Launch

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stemettes-associates-launch-event-tickets-298741151827

The Stemettes Associates programme is for **over 15s** and comprises of skill and career building sessions in the evening, hosted by mentors from across STEAM. A launch event will take place on **26th April from 18:30–19:30**.

SOLP Careers Fair

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The South Oxfordshire Learning Partnership are holding a Careers Fair on **27th April from 16:00-19:00** at Abingdon & Witney College Abingdon Campus. It is open to students in **Years 9-13** and their parents/carers. Exhibitors include employers, further and higher education.



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<https://pathwayctm.com/event/ensuring-your-future-in-insurance-with-ardonagh-specialty>

This event with Ardonagh Specialty on **28th April from 18:00-19:00** may be of interest to students who are interested in a career in insurance. They can find out about the company, ask questions and find out about opportunities to gain work experience with them.

Consultation

Review of Level 2 Qualifications

<https://consult.education.gov.uk/post-16-qualifications-review-team/review-of-post-16-qualifications-at-level-2-and-be>

The DfE are seeking views on proposals to reform technical and academic qualifications at level 2 and below, excluding GCSEs, Functional Skills Qualifications and Essential Digital Skills Qualifications. Have your say by **27th April**.



Review of post-16 qualifications at level 2 and below in England

Government consultation

Launch date 2 March 2022
Respond by 27 April 2022

CPD



Founders4Schools Webinar

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/making-career-education-easy-tickets-293344580537

This educator webinar on **29th April from 15:30-16:00** will show you how you can use the F4S platform to organise inspirational online events for your students, whether in the classroom or learning from home.

Work Experience

Pathways To Property

www.henley.ac.uk/research/academic-areas/real-estate-and-planning/rref/pathways-to-property/summer-school

This fully funded residential summer school for **eligible Year 12 students** from **25th-28th July** is held on campus at Henley Business School, University of Reading. Students will get an insight into the property sector and learn about different routes into the industry. Deadline for applications is **21st May**.



National Work Experience Week

<https://event.webinarjam.com/register/442/0vmnxb4z>

Careermap's National Work Experience Week takes place from **25th-29th April**. Students can gain insider information on a particular industry, find out how work experience can boost their career prospects and join Q&A sessions to get their questions answered by the experts.

Pearson Internships

<https://pathwayctm.com>

Pearson are offering a number of internships for **Year 13+ students**, ranging from 10 weeks to 2 years, including digital and technology roles in London. Students need to [register with Pathway CTM](#) to access the opportunities.



Canal & River Trust Volunteering

<https://pathwayctm.com>

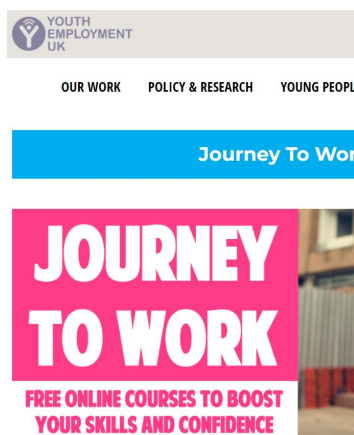
The Canal & River Trust are offering volunteering opportunities in a range of locations to **students in any year group**. Students need to [register with Pathway CTM](#) to access the opportunities.



The Enterprise Guide

www.pearsoncollegelondon.ac.uk/pearson-business-school/enterprise-guide.html

The Enterprise Guide may be useful for students who are interested in starting their own business. It is packed with short, digestible videos about the good, the bad and the ugly of life as an entrepreneur, from those who've been there and done it.



Journey To Work Programme

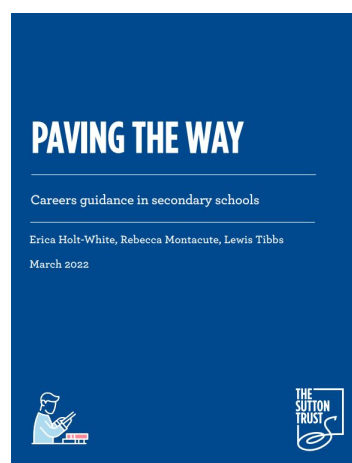
www.youthemployment.org.uk/employment-help-young-people/choices/online-skills-and-careers-courses/journey-to-work-free-online-course

Journey To Work is a free online learning programme from Youth Employment UK to help **young people aged 17+** to build skills and careers confidence. It consists of 8 courses covering topics such as education and training, work experience and skills.

Paving the Way Report

www.suttontrust.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Paving-the-Way.pdf

This report from The Sutton Trust, published in March 2022, recommends a new national careers strategy from central government, more time in the curriculum for careers, students aged 14-16 to have access to work experience and better guidance on apprenticeships.



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www.resolutionfoundation.org/publications/leaving-lockdown

The Resolution Foundation has released a report on the impact of the COVID19 pandemic on young people's employment. It identifies the early concern that young people would be disproportionately impacted by the pandemic in terms of employment.

Competition

Platinum Jubilee Pageant

www.etrust.org.uk/platinum-jubilee-pageant

Industrial Cadets are running a competition for students to design a poster for a street party for the Platinum Jubilee Pageant. By entering, they are in with a chance to win tickets to attend the Pageant. They can enter as individuals or in teams of 3 and there are categories for **Years 7-9** and **Years 10-12**.



Apprenticeship Opportunities



Viridor

<https://engineering-trust-training-limited.enrola.co.uk/opportunity/623b21043fd0d>

Viridor are looking for a level 3 apprentice mechanical engineering technician to join the team at their Energy Recovery Facility in Ardley. Students can [watch a video](#) about the apprenticeship. Closing date **31st May**.

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www.jobs.abbott/us/en/job/31014567/Level-3-Engineering-Apprenticeship-September-2022-Intake

Abbott are looking for keen, enthusiastic and driven people who want to start their career in engineering via an apprenticeship in September 2022.



Unilever

<https://careers.unilever.com/uk-apprenticeships>

Unilever have apprenticeship opportunities in engineering, research and development and business and technology.

Dates For Your Diary

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

Think Human Festival 2022

2nd–9th April

Brookes Think Human Festival events for schools provide opportunities for school groups in Years 9 upwards and individual 6th Form students to engage directly with current research in humanities and social sciences. [Find out more.](#)

Abingdon & Witney College Taster Week

5th-7th April

Abingdon & Witney College are holding a taster week for Year 11 students at both their Abingdon and Witney campuses. Sessions in a range of subjects are taking place from 16:00-18:00 so that students can attend after school. [Find out more.](#)

Application and CV Workshop

16th April, 10:00-11:00

This virtual event will cover what kinds of things to include in a CV (even if you don't have prior work experience), what should go in a CV vs. a cover letter and other key tips for applications. [Register here.](#)

PwC Technology Degree Apprenticeships Event

20th April, 16:00-18:00

At this virtual session, students can find out more about PwC's new Flying Start Technology Degree

Sustainability in Accounting

21st April, 18:00-19:00

This virtual session will be led by ICAEW and current accounting apprentices to answer any questions students may have about careers in accounting and how accountancy firms are going greener. [Register here.](#)

Green Careers Spotlight

22nd April, 09:45-14:30

In celebration of International Earth Day, Founders4Schools are holding a day of free, online, live 30 minute webinars to give young people an insight into a range of career opportunities that protect, repair and celebrate our Earth. [Register here.](#)

Careers Jam 2022

3rd May

This virtual careers fair from futures4students includes a variety of panel discussions and workshops where industry leaders and young professionals will share their experience, advice and tips on a range of issues relevant to young people aged 16-24. [Find out more.](#)

OAS Open Evening

5th May, 17:00 or 18:00

At the next Oxfordshire Advanced Skills open evening students will be able meet with staff, current apprentices and employer partners to gain an insight into what it's like to be an apprentice at OAS. [Register here.](#)

Humanities Taster Day

9th May, 10:00-14:20

This Oxford Brookes taster day explores the theme of 'Power and Privilege - exploring social justice'. It will give students an opportunity to engage in discussion with academics and current students and tour the university campus. [Register here.](#)

Future Stars

12th May

This free event is open to SEND schools this year. The keynote speaker is record breaking Paralympian Tanni Grey-Thompson and organisations such as Siemens, UK Music and UCL are exhibiting. You can register by contacting hello@myglobalbridge.com. [Find out more.](#)

Health Careers Hour

12th May, 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 health 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.](#)

This Oxford Brookes taster day will explore the theme of 'Humanising the future - exploring the need for humanities and social sciences in a technological future'. It may interest students who are considering studying social sciences at university. [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.

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](#).

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](#).

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](#).

Useful Links

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

[Founders4Schools](#)

[Sort Your Future](#)

[My Environment My Future](#)

[Careers Leader training](#)

[Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

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