



Careers Newsletter

Virtual Careers Opportunities



College open days

Due to social distancing, we have been unable to visit colleges for taster days, but many colleges are offering virtual new students' days for Y11. See the dates below. Colleges are also looking at ways to provide opportunities (even if virtual) so that Y10 can gain some form of a college experience and we will let you know more about this as we hear in the autumn term. Many colleges already have virtual tours on their websites.

You can find out more on individual college websites or following them on social media and if you have applied, you should have received any email invitation.

- Bolton 6th Form – Friday 3rd July
- St John Rigby – Monday 29th June 2020
- Wigan and Leigh – week of 29th June – also check out 'Steps to Success' virtual help – <https://www.wigan-leigh.ac.uk/about/coronavirus-update/year-11-applicants>
- Winstanley College – active now from emails sent to pupils who have applied

Work Experience

Work experience, through part-time jobs, volunteering, work placements or shadowing, provide evidence for skills-development that will enhance your CV and applications for apprenticeships. Having this evidence will also be beneficial as you will have more to discuss during interviews. Due to lock-down and social distancing, gaining work experience has been difficult, but employers will be interested in what action you have taken during this time to develop skills. The links below are all virtual opportunities to engage with employers and find out more about companies. Why not use this time to think about your career and continue to develop skills remotely to help to make yourself stand-out.

Live Broadcasts from employers:

<https://learnliveuk.com/paving-the-way-virtual-careers-festival/>

<https://learnliveuk.com/careers/>



Virtual work experience:

<https://barclayslifeskills.com/i-want-virtual-work-experience/school/virtual-work-experience/>

<https://www.prospects.ac.uk/jobs-and-work-experience/work-experience-and-internships/virtual-work-experience>

Law:

<https://www.thelawyerportal.com/free-guides/law-work-experience/virtual-work-experience-for-law-students/>

Design:

<https://www.klc.co.uk/courses/interior-design/online-courses/online-short-courses/virtual-work-experience/>

British Airways:

<https://careers.ba.com/work-experience>

Careers Support for Y10

Mrs Norburn, our careers advisor, is currently contacting Y10 by telephone to speak with pupils about their options and application processes for autumn term in Y11. All Y10 will need to make college applications before December 2020 by applying online via the college websites.

If in the meantime you have any questions for her, please contact her on the main school email address: office@deantrustrosebridge.co.uk

Useful Careers Websites

National Careers & Apprenticeship Services:

nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk – This is the Government's hub for careers advice for people of all ages where you can find help with drafting letters, CVs, exploring your skills or seeking careers advice.

<https://www.gov.uk/topic/further-education-skills/apprenticeships> – the National Apprenticeship Service website provides general advice and information about apprenticeships. Also advertises current vacancies.

Other websites:

www.icould.com – aims to help you to make the most of your potential by showing how others have used theirs, take the 'Buzz' personality profile quiz.

www.startprofile.com – investigate careers, watch videos and get great advice, find out about employers and work experience opportunities in your area.

www.careersbox.co.uk – video based job profile information and skills explorer tool.

www.successatschool.org – gives clear and comprehensive information about a range of Career Zones (sectors), in an easy to access format. Students can create a profile to help to collate useful information. '60 second interviews' giving profile of professionals, provide a useful insight into specific careers.

www.how2become.com – offers detailed advice on how to access a range of sectors. Also offers the purchase of resources, compiled in conjunction with professionals working in these fields, designed to enable you to achieve your dream career or course. A selection of these books and online psychometric testing access have been supplied to the School by How2Become.



Careers at KS3

It is never too early to start thinking about exploring career opportunities. Why not visit:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/znpsgk7> and watch some of the clips around career options and employability.



Curriculum to
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Audiologist

What do they do: Audiologists work with children and adults who suffer from hearing loss, tinnitus, or have problems with balance.

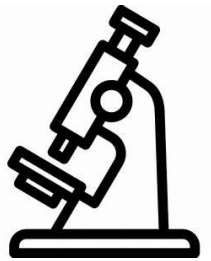
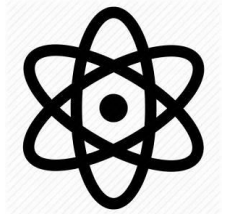
Average Salary: £24,214 – £43,772

Skills and knowledge you'll need: Customer service skills; sensitivity and understanding; to be thorough and pay attention to detail; thinking and reasoning skills; knowledge of English language; the ability to read English; excellent verbal communication skills; knowledge of psychology; to be able to carry out basic tasks on a computer or hand-held device.

Day to day tasks:

- deciding on the best way to test a patient's hearing
- adapting tests to suit the age and ability of the patient
- checking hearing, including sound level and frequency range
- investigating any related medical, physical and emotional symptoms

Career path and progression: You could go on to specialise in areas like balance rehabilitation, cochlear implants, or assisting people with learning disabilities or dual sensory loss. With experience, you could lead a team, manage a unit, or move into a general management position in mainstream healthcare. You could also take on a research or teaching post at a university.



Aid Worker

Job Description:

Aid workers provide support, food, resources, and infrastructure to people in need. These people could be in need after a natural disaster or war.

Salary:

Annual **salaries** for **UK**-based employees in the early stages of their careers range between £17,000 and £25,000, while senior employees based in the **UK** can earn around £25,000 to £45,000 a year. Most people in this career will start off with some type of volunteer work.

Skills and knowledge you'll need:

- Great communication skills in both English and local languages
- Good networking skills
- Analytical skills
- The ability to plan well
- Computer literacy
- Tact, discretion and diplomacy
- Teamworking skills
- Problem-solving skills.

