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Dear Year 10 and Year 11 Parents, Carers and Students,

Y11:- January and February is ALL about last post-16 visits & submitting applications for 6th forms, colleges and APPRENTICESHIPS. It is really important that every student applies to at least 2 post-16 venues so that they can have a plan A and a plan B. I would also recommend that any student who is wanted to get an apprenticeship after SVS also applies for a college course as a plan B (If unsuccessful before Sept 24 students are able to continue to apply for apprenticeships while at college and then just transfer from a course to an apprenticeship as and when they secure one).

Y10:- Please continue to hunt for work experience placements – there are some great ones being advertised at the moment.

Y10:- Subject Experience days at Hartpury are now being advertised for Sport, Animal and Agriculture open to Year 10 students.

If you have any questions please do get in touch vmartin@severnvaeschool.com

Kind regards,

Virginia Martin, Careers Leader

For information on how to find an apprenticeship you can either search via local college apprenticeship vacancy pages, individual company vacancy pages, via the national Find an Apprenticeship website or via Unifrog.

A good starting point is via the national apprenticeship search engine - [Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk) On this website you can search by Job Title or Employer and narrow it down by putting in your location and how far you are willing to travel.

Find an apprenticeship

Search and apply for an apprenticeship in England

The screenshot shows the search interface for finding an apprenticeship. It includes a search bar with a 'Search' button and a 'Browse' link. Below the search bar, there are four main sections: 'Keywords (optional)', 'Your location', 'Within', and 'Apprenticeship level'. Each section has a dropdown menu and a text input field. Callouts with arrows point to these fields, explaining their purpose: 'Search by Job Title or Employer' points to the 'Keywords' field; 'Put in your home postcode' points to the 'Your location' field; and 'How far are you able to travel for work?' points to the 'Within' field.

Search [Browse](#)

Keywords (optional)
Can include job title, employer or reference number

All Business Administrator

Your location
Enter postcode, town or city or [use current location](#)

GL4 8AX

Within

5 miles

Apprenticeship level

All levels

Search by Job Title or Employer

Put in your home postcode

How far are you able to travel for work?

5-11 FEBRUARY 2024

#NAW2024

IT'S NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

Please book onto any that interest you

<https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/naw-2024-the-ask-programme-550109>

Monday 5th February – Launch Day

18:00 “Welcome to the World of Apprenticeships”

Eventbrite link - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/welcome-to-the-world-of-apprenticeships-6pm-tickets-744916333807?aff=oddtcreator>

Tuesday 6th February – Employers

18:00 “Meet the Employer- NHS Chesterfield Royal Hospital”

Eventbrite link- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-employer-nhs-chesterfield-royal-hospital-tickets-753770958227?aff=oddtcreator>

18:00 “Meet the Employer- DWP Civil Services”

Eventbrite link- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-employer-department-for-work-and-pensions-civil-services-tickets-753777457667?aff=oddtcreator>

18:00 “Meet the Employer- Workpays”

Eventbrite link- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-employer-workpays-tickets-755297133057?aff=oddtcreator>

18:00 “Meet the Employer- Compass Group”

Eventbrite link- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-employer-compass-group-tickets-755294234387?aff=oddtcreator>

18:00 “Meet the Employer-Nestle”

Eventbrite link- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-employer-nestle-tickets-756244165657?aff=oddtcreator>

Wednesday 7th February – Apprentices

18:00 “Meet the Apprentice- Workpays”

Eventbrite link- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-apprentice-workpays-tickets-755518715817?aff=oddtcreator>

18:00 “Meet the Apprentice- Boots”

Eventbrite link- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-apprentice-boots-tickets-755539818937?aff=oddtcreator>

18:00 “Meet the Apprentice- Samworth Brothers”

Eventbrite link- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-apprentice-samworth-brothers-tickets-755533780877?aff=oddtcreator>

18:00 “Meet the Apprentice- “Nestle”

Eventbrite link- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-apprentice-nestle-tickets-756248388287?aff=oddtcreator>

Thursday 8th February – T Levels

18:00 “Welcome to the world of T-Levels”

Eventbrite link - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/welcome-to-the-world-of-t-levels-tickets-745213091417?aff=oddtcreator>

Saturday 10th February – Parents/Carers Day

11:00 “A Parents & Carers Guide to understanding Apprenticeships”

Eventbrite link – <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-parent-carers-guide-to-understanding-apprenticeships-1100am-tickets-745489869267?aff=oddtcreator>

13:00 “A Parents & Carers Guide to understanding Apprenticeships”

Eventbrite link - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-parent-carers-guide-to-understanding-apprenticeships-100pm-tickets-745493319587?aff=oddtcreator>



Early Careers STEM Outreach

Virtual Open Evening – 23rd of January 2024

Dear All,

We will be hosting a virtual early careers' open evening on Teams on the 23rd of January, similar to the recent in-person event held at our New Mills site.

This event will begin promptly at 6:30pm and will cover information about Work Experience, Apprenticeship, Graduate and Placement Schemes, as well as having talks from our current early careers' cohort and a Q&A session.

It is a good opportunity for those who wishes to attend the in-person event but were unable to do so.

If you would like to attend this event, you are invited to sign up [here](#).

Kind regards,

Renishaw's Early Careers STEM Outreach Team

Find out more visit our [Website](#) or follow us on [Instagram](#)

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Apprentice Open Evening at our Staverton site on Wednesday 24th January between the hours of 3:30pm – 6:30pm

The students will be able to chat to our current apprentices, colleagues from around the business, as well as our training partner Gloucestershire Engineering Training.

https://ontic.wd3.myworkdayjobs.com/OnticCareers/job/Bishops-Cleeve-Gloucestershire/Routes-into-Engineering---Apprentices-2024_R2929



Apprenticeship Open Evening at our Severnside Site

BOOK YOUR SPOT NOW 



**1st February
5pm-7:30pm**

Join us, ask questions
and find out more about
our Engineering and Dairy
Technologist Apprenticeships!


Get an overview of apprenticeships offered at Müller, tips on how to apply, what to expect from the application process and how we run our assessment centres.


Address:

Müller Severnside, Oldends
Lane, Stonehouse GL10 2DG

Please Note: The Severnside site does not have wheelchair accessibility

MORE INFORMATION

 Earlycareers@muller.co.uk

 www.muller.co.uk



Apprenticeship Open Evening

Come to the factory to experience the environment that you might work in

Learn more about the apprenticeships and what they can offer you.

Do some activities based around manufacturing and engineering.

Current Dates available:

9th January 2024 - 17:30 - 19:30

23rd January 2024 - 17:30 - 19:30



If you would like to attend one of these dates, please contact Angela - angela.seddon@unilever.com

You can bring a parent with you but please let Angela know if you would like to.



Unilever Apprenticeships

Machine operator apprenticeship and Engineering apprenticeship programmes based at Gloucester Walls ice-cream factory.

Machine Operator Apprenticeship

Starting salary of £15,928.80

Learn how to prepare and run food and drink manufacturing line.

Achieve Level 3 (Advanced) Food and Drink Technical qualification

Must have GCSE English and Maths Grade 4 or above or equivalent



Engineering Technician Apprenticeship

Starting salary of £17,343.08

Ensure that plant and equipment perform to the required standard to facilitate production targets.



Achieve one level 2 and two level 3 advanced engineering qualifications

Must have GCSE English and Maths Grade 4 (or above higher paper) or equivalent

Apply January 2024!


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

**COME JOIN US AT
THE ROYAL NAVY'S
LOOK @ LIFE VIRTUAL
EVENTS HELD
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR**

Career Roles available if you have no formal qualifications or experience through to holding a degree

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO FIND OUT
MORE ON DATES AND CAREER
ROLES AVAILABLE TO YOU**



Book early for Gloucestershire College's flagship apprenticeship event!

On **Wednesday 6 March 2024**, at our Gloucester campus, we are hosting one of our most popular annual events for school leavers, college students and anyone interested in an apprenticeship to learn how apprenticeships work and the career paths they lead on to.



**APPRENTICESHIP
OPEN EVENING
WEDNESDAY 6 MARCH**

Understanding Post-16 Qualifications

There are 4 main choices on how to study Post-16: T'levels, A'levels, BTECs and Apprenticeships and to make it even more complicated within BTECs and Apprenticeships there are different levels of qualifications ranging from Level 1 to Level 3. GCSE estimated grades will give Y11 students some guidance on which of the course might be the best one(s) for them to consider and I would always recommend students have an 'aspirational choice' and a 'safe choice' (similar to how university choices are done).

T'levels – Gloucestershire's **Cirencester College** has been at the heart of these pioneering Level 3 qualifications. They are a 2-year technical study programmes designed in partnership with employers that combine class room training and a 45+ day industry placement. Cirencester Collage (and to a smaller extent Gloucestershire College and Stroud College) has a selection of T-levels that include subjects as diversity as Accounting to Adult Nursing, Horticulture to Business Management and Broadcast Production to Engineering. These courses have been devised in close contact with employers to ensure that students have the practical skills to ensure they are 'work ready'.

COURSES AVAILABLE IN 2024	
Accounting	Digital
Agriculture, Land Management and Production	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Business Services (Data Analysis for Business)• Support Services (Cyber Security)• Support Services (IT Support)• Production, Design and Development (Software Development, Coding and Games Development)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Horticulture and Garden Design• Floristry	Engineering
Animal Care and Management NEW	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Design and Development• Maintenance, Installation and Repair• Manufacturing, Processing and Control
Business Management and Administration	Finance
Childcare and Education	Health and Science
Construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adult Nursing• Supporting Mental Health Teams• Healthcare Science• Laboratory Science and Health
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Building Services and Engineering• Design, Surveying and Planning (Civil Engineering option included)	Legal Services
Craft and Design NEW	Media, Broadcast and Production NEW
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ceramics• Fashion and Textiles• Furniture Maker• Jewellery Maker	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creative Media Technician• Events and Venues Technician• Content Creation and Production

A'levels – are Level 3 qualifications, are studied across 2 years and students normally study 3 A'levels plus an additional qualification like EPQ or completing DofE Gold etc. Some university courses will expect students to have studied certain subjects at A'level and as a rule of thumb it would be beneficial to have a 6+ at GCSE in order to study a subject at A'level. Students are able to study A'levels at Cirencester and Hartpury College and school 6th Forms.

BTECs – are practical-based, vocational qualifications. They can be studied at a college or some school 6th forms and they provide the opportunity to gain hand-on experience in a field or subject. BTEC Level 1 & 2 are equivalent to GCSEs and Level 3 is equivalent to A'levels. Students can progress from a L1 through to a L3, normally over a 3-year period.

In addition to the above, colleges like Cirencester College offer Foundation Year courses, meaning students spend 3 years rather than 2 at the college. These are for students who are not quite ready for T'levels or A'levels and include work experience, GCSE resits, project qualifications.

We are extremely lucky in Gloucestershire to be served by a wide variety of colleges, all of which have different strengths and focuses. From Hartpury's countryside management course through to SGS's Sports Journalism BTEC, no matter what your passion there are Post-16 courses to aid you to get your dream job. Please click on the below college name to be taken to their website. Below you will also find up-to-date information on college open-days and taster sessions.

During the summer holidays Y10s need to research the different colleges and decide if they are interested or not in any of the courses they have to offer – please note not all of Gloucestershire College's courses are in Gloucester and some of SGS's courses are in fact in Bristol!

Colleges offer students the chance to study different qualifications –T-Levels (Gloucestershire College and Cirencester College), A'levels (Hartpury College & Cirencester College) and BTECs (all of the below)

Cirencester College – You will need to book onto their open days and register to find out about set courses – Applications are now open.

Apprenticeship Information Evening: Our Apprenticeship team will be running their successful Information Evening on Tuesday 5th March – this is an excellent opportunity for students and parents to find about the expanding Apprenticeship programme. Spaces can be booked here: [Apprenticeship Information Evening: March 2024 – Cirencester College](#)

High Achievers Academy Information Evening: This extremely popular event will be running on Wednesday 6th March. This is a chance for students and parents to meet our current High Achieving students and tutors who specialise in Oxbridge entry as well as our successful Vets, Meds and Dentistry programme. Places are strictly limited and please do pass this information on to students who might be interested. Bookings can be made here: [High Achievers' Academy Information Evening: March 2024 – Cirencester College](#)

Open Day: Saturday 16th March – we will be again running the Open Day as two sessions 10am -12.30 and 1pm – 3.30pm. Although there are some subjects which have drop in sessions, we do recommend students book their sessions to ensure they get to hear about all of the subjects they are interested in. Bookings will open on the 15th January but students can register for early access here: [Open Day: March 2024 – Cirencester College](#)

Gloucestershire College - You will need to apply by March to get your first choice of venue for post-16 courses, remember not all of Gloucestershire College sites are in Gloucester

See yourself at GC.

Thinking about your next steps after school? Whether you've got your sights set on university, apprenticeships or the world of work, college is the perfect step to help make that happen. Visit our campuses, meet our lecturers and explore our work-focused facilities, to discover life at college and **see yourself at GC.**

Our open evenings are the perfect chance for you to explore your options with subject-specific talks from our staff, 1:1 advice from support teams, and the chance to apply on the night.

After your talk/s, you'll be able to explore the campus and get a feel for life at GC. We'll be on hand to answer any questions and support you with applications.

Gloucester Campus / Monday 15 January / 5.00pm - 8.00pm

Forest Campus / Monday 22 January / 5.00pm - 7.30pm

Cheltenham Campus / Wednesday 24 January / 5.00pm - 8.00pm

GET- Gloucestershire Engineering and Training Centre – Open evening is normally in February.



NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK!
GET Open Evening - Thursday 8th February 2024
4:00pm-6:30pm

Are you interested in a career in Engineering?
Do you want to find out more about what's involved?
Then come along to our open evening.....



There will be a range of people available to support you, including:
Apprentices - to share their views and experiences
Delivery Staff - to discuss the programme content and provide demonstrations in the classrooms and workshop
Learner Services Staff - to explain the application and recruitment process

Please note booking is essential and must be completed in advance using the QR code below



Gloucestershire Engineering Training, Barnwood Point, Corinium Avenue,
Barnwood, Gloucester, GL4 3HX
Any questions please email apply@get-trained.org

Hartpury College

Subject Experience Days

Applications open

We're excited to offer a selection of **Subject Experience Days** for **Year 9 and 10 students**. Taking place during the school holidays, the days are aimed at widening participation in higher education. Places will be awarded to students who meet the WP criteria which includes Free School Meals, Ethnic diversity (Black, Asian, Minority ethnicity), Tundra 1 and 2 and care experience or in care.

- *Sport Subject Experience Day - 14 February 2024 - Apply now*
- *Animal Subject Experience Day - 28 May 2024 - coming soon*
- *Agriculture Subject Experience day - 29 July 2024 - coming soon*

Applications are open now for the Sport Subject Experience Day. **Click here** or **scan and share the QR code below** to access more information and the **online application form**.





Next college open day Saturday 3 February 2024

MPCT – Military Preparation College – please see website for more information on what this college has to offer

Gloucester

1st Floor Office Suite
Messenger House
35 St Michael's Square
Gloucester
GL1 1HX

0330 111 3939

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VIEW MAP



Stage Door Learning –

South Gloucestershire & Stroud (SGS) –

SGS
OPEN
EVENTS

Thursday 28th September 2023
17:30 - 20:00 (A LEVELS ONLY)

Saturday 7th October 2023 - 10:00 - 13:00

Saturday 18th November 2023 - 10:00 - 13:00

Saturday 27th January 2024 - 10:00 - 13:00

Thursday 25th April 2024 - 17:30 - 20:00

Register Online:
www.sgscol.ac.uk/events/open-events

FIND OUT MORE
FREEPHONE: 0800 0567 253

One-to-One Careers Appointments



Independent and unbiased careers guidance is provided by Mrs Georgie Blackburn, a professional careers advisor, who visits the school once / twice a week during term time to meet with students individually and to give group talks. We try to arrange at least one appointment during KS4 for every Severn Vale student.

If you would like to book a careers appointment please email rjordansteele@severnvaeschool.com



This guide will give you an idea of the types of qualifications you should be considering depending on your GCSE estimated grades – PLEASE NOTE THIS IS JUST A GUIDELINE

Just as Gloucestershire has a wide range of colleges it also has a wide range of Sixth Forms, each one having its own strengths and offering unique opportunities. Not all sixth forms are the same, and therefore please make sure you visit as many open-days as possible. Please click on the below Sixth Form name to be taken to their website and below you will also find up-to-date information on their open-days and taster sessions. **Please double check open evening dates and times on the venues website.**

[All Saints Academy](#) -

[Archway School Sixth Form](#) -

[Balcarras School](#) –

2024 Sixth Form Admissions

Open Evening

Our open evening for 2024 admissions will be held on Thursday 18th January, from 7-9pm. It is not necessary to make an appointment however please check back here nearer the time for further information on the evening.

[Cheltenham Bournside School](#) –

Cheltenham Bournside School	Open Evening	25th	January	2024	Evening TBC
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SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING & PROSPECTU

Cheltenham Bournside Sixth Form Open Evening - 2024 entry

Year 11 students and their families are warmly invited to our open evening on Thursday 25th January 2024.

You will be able to:

- Hear from our Headteacher, Mr Jefferies, Head of Sixth Form, Mr Warren and our Senior House Captains
- Meet our outstanding teaching team
- Understand our extensive A level and BTEC offer, our three pathways and their entry requirements
- Explore our excellent resources, facilities and enrichment options
- Enjoy a coffee in our Sixth Form cafe
- Find out more about what is it like to be a part of our school community

From January 2024: If you would like to book a tour with a senior member of the Sixth Form team, please email admissions@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk. Tours usually take place at the end of the school day.

[Chosen Hill School](#) –

Open Evening next Monday (Monday 15th January 6-8pm)



WELLNESS
AMBITION
TOGETHERNESS
CONFIDENCE
HONESTY



[Churchdown School](#) –

[The Crypt School](#) –

[Denmark Road Sixth Form](#) -

[Holmleigh Park Sixth Form](#) -

[Katherine Lady Berkley School](#) -

[Marling Sixth Form](#) -

[Pates Sixth Form](#) -

Sixth Form Open Evening

We will be holding our annual Sixth Form Open Evening on Tuesday 23rd January 2024 from 5pm – 8pm. Headteacher presentations will take place at 5.30pm & 7pm. There's no need to book, please just turn up.

September 2024 Entry

Applications for Sixth Form will open from Monday January 22nd at 10am and will close on Friday 23rd February at 12 noon. A link to apply will appear on this webpage from Monday 22nd January 2024.

Please note that applications cannot be accepted after the closing date. If you miss this date the only other route in is to call us on the morning of GCSE results day, Thursday 22nd August, when any available places will be re-allocated.

[Ribston Hall Sixth Form](#) -

Ribston Hall High School	Thursday	25th	January	2024	6pm-8.30pm
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[Sir Thomas Rich's Sixth Form](#) -

Sir Thomas Rich Grammar School	Thursday	1st	February	2024	
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Year 12 Open Evening - 1 February 2024

Our next Sixth Form Opening Evening takes place on *Thursday 1 February 2024*, with information talks in the main School Hall at 6pm and 7pm.

Registration opens four weeks before on this page, but please be assured that we don't cap numbers and everyone is welcome.

The updated Sixth Form Prospectus for 2024 entry will be published online by the end of January. More information about studying in the Sixth Form at Rich's, including a link to the Prospectus for 2023 entry, is available in the Sixth Form section of this website.

[St Peter's RC High School](#) -

[Stroud High School Sixth Form](#) -

Stroud High School	Wednesday	24th	January	2024	TBC
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Launch of Unifrog

September 2021 saw the launch of Unifrog at Seven Vale School. To support our commitment to provide students with outstanding careers guidance and tailored support when choosing their next step after school, we will now be using Unifrog (an award-winning, online careers platform) as our main careers information tool. The Unifrog platform is designed to support learners in making the most informed decisions about their futures and has a range of tools that are suitable for all year groups. Each student (Years 7-11) has their own personal account that provides a wide range of information related to their interests and aspirations. We have also set up a parent login so that you can use Unifrog as if you were a student yourself, allowing you to support your child with their career's choices throughout their time at Severn Vale. Please signup using the form code **SVRVParents** and you can sign up at <https://www.unifrog.org/code>

During Term 1 please can all of Y10s and Y11s check they have access to Unifrog and reset their password if necessary. If you are having a problem identifying what to do for work experience or what you want to do Post-16 please try completing the Interest Quiz or Personality Quiz. Unifrog also has a number of webinars for students which are free to attend.



The poster features the Unifrog logo at the top right and a list of events from September to June. A QR code is located on the right side with the text 'Scan to sign up on Unifrog'. An illustration of a frog is at the bottom right.

Unifrog Events 23/24: Students

- September**
 - University applications masterclasses 25 - 27 September** - expert application tips from some of the top universities on applying to competitive and specialist universities and applying for competitive courses.
- October**
 - UK Black History Month webinar 9 October** - opportunities for you to celebrate UK Black History, learn about micro and macro aggressions, and hear from creatives about what BHM means to them.
- November**
 - Day in the life of series 13 - 15 November** - opportunity to hear from some of the UK's biggest employers on what it's like to work in a range of industries.
 - Apprenticeship application masterclasses 27 - 29 November** - expert tips from some of the biggest employers on applying to apprenticeships and how to ace the interview process.
- December**
 - GCSE choices 11 December** - top tips when it comes to choosing your GCSEs and how to decide which subject is best for you.
 - Post-16 choices 12 December** - hear from the experts about the different pathways you can choose post-16, from A-levels, to T-levels, and BTECs.
- January**
 - US Black History Month webinar 31 January** - opportunity to celebrate US Black History, learn ways to become actively anti-racist, and resources to educate yourself further.
- February**
 - National Apprenticeships week 5 - 11 February**
 - Discovering practical subjects 5 - 6 February** - learn more about the different ways you can pursue your interests in vocational subjects, from hair and beauty, to sports and sports therapy.
 - Unifrog Apprenticeships fair 7 February** - virtual fair to speak to employer representatives and attend live sessions on application processes and what it's like to do apprenticeships in different industries.
- March**
 - National careers week 4 - 9 March**
 - Soft skills to succeed series 4 - 6 March** - learn key and transferable/soft skills from the experts to include in your applications. You'll learn how to use these skills in the workplace and what kind of jobs need these skills.
 - UK Unifrog University Fair 13 March** - opportunity to hear from different universities about the potential career pathways available after studying a specific subject.
- April**
 - Degree pathways 29 April - 2 May** - opportunities to hear from universities about the potential career pathways after studying a specific subject.
- May**
 - Day in the life of series 20 - 22 May** - opportunity to hear from some of the UK's biggest employers on what it's like to work in a range of industries.
- June**
 - University advice and guidance webinars 3 - 5 June** - webinars to support you with general advice about going to university, whether that's finance, accommodation, student life, culture, sustainability, wellbeing etc.
 - University taster lecture webinars 17 - 19 June** - taster lecture webinars on the most popular subjects.
 - Global HE 24 - 26 June** - universities from around the world come together to give you an insight into what it's like to study in their country and how it differs from other parts of the world.

Work Experience & Careers Fairs

While Severn Vale School's Y10 Work experience takes place in the 1st week of July (1st -5th July 2023) work experience is not limited to this one week in July nor is it limited to just Y10s. I would encourage students from Y10 and Y11 to also have a placement in the summer holidays as well as taking advantage of the weekend 'insight into industry' days that are offered by local companies and the GROWS network. Please keep an eye out on the below for current work experience / insight into industry days that are advertised throughout the year.



Take the NHS Careers Quiz

Follow the link below to the NHS Health Careers site to complete a short quiz which aims to match you with your ideal career route. Information on various different opportunities including apprenticeships is also available: <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/>



NHS
Gloucestershire Hospitals
NHS Foundation Trust

Healthcare Science Event

 **SATURDAY 9TH MARCH 2024**

 **10AM - 2PM**

 **LOCATION TBC - GLOUCESTER BASED**



Open to Year 9s (13/14) and above, college students, anyone aged 14 years and above (parents, carers, teachers and careers advisors also welcome!)

An opportunity to talk to, and see some of the fascinating careers that are not only scientific but roles that are for people who want to care, problem solve, work with others. If you have an inquisitive mind, then come along and see the many, many professions that could suit YOU!

Email gln-tr.careers@nhs.net to register your interest or register here today!

NHS
Gloucestershire Hospitals
NHS Foundation Trust

Dietetics Taster Day

 **14TH FEBRUARY 2024**



Are you aged 16 or above?

Are you studying?

- Science
- Health and Social Care
- Food Technology

Come along to find out what a career in Dietetics is like!

Deadline for applications: 29th January 2024

Please email ghn-tr.careers@nhs.net to express interest.

The Taster Day is for students in Year 11 and above and an application process will need to be followed.

Please provide us with your full name, email address, school attending and school year.



Explore a future career in health and social care

Oxera Gloucestershire

NHS Cadets




St John
Ambulance

Register your interest today for the Gloucestershire January 2024 intake!

Unlock your potential by becoming an NHS Cadet. Developed by St John Ambulance in collaboration with the NHS, this program offers a unique chance to explore the various areas of health and social care.

The NHS Cadets programme provides two options for young people aged 14 to 18; a foundation pathway for young people aged 14 to 16 and an advanced pathway for those aged 16 to 18.

Joining NHS Cadets means you'll have 2-hour virtual sessions every week for 36 weeks. It's a cool way to learn a lot about health and social care. The best part? It won't cost you anything! So, you can explore, have fun, and learn new skills without worrying about money.

Throughout your journey, the dedicated NHS Cadets Team will be by your side, offering you support and guidance. Regardless of your background, NHS Cadets welcomes a diverse array of individuals—there's no such thing as a 'typical' NHS Cadet. So, grab the chance to broaden your horizons, gain essential skills and enjoy getting to know other NHS Cadets!

Your NHS Cadets experience also fits seamlessly into the volunteering or skills sections for bronze, silver, or gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE). It's a versatile opportunity that not only meets the criteria but also adds a meaningful dimension to your DofE journey.

If you wish to discuss NHS cadets, please don't hesitate to email one of our friendly team at nhscadets@sja.org.uk

14-16 years sign-up



16-18 years sign-up





Early Careers STEM Outreach

Virtual Open Evening – 23rd of January 2024

Dear All,

We will be hosting a virtual early careers' open evening on Teams on the 23rd of January, similar to the recent in-person event held at our New Mills site.

This event will begin promptly at 6:30pm and will cover information about Work Experience, Apprenticeship, Graduate and Placement Schemes, as well as having talks from our current early careers' cohort and a Q&A session.

It is a good opportunity for those who wishes to attend the in-person event but were unable to do so.

If you would like to attend this event, you are invited to sign up [here](#).

Kind regards,

Renishaw's Early Careers STEM Outreach Team

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Work Experience

These weeks are open to students in years 10 to 13 (or equivalent) applications are now open and will be closing early February (please note we may close earlier if we are inundated with applications).

We will be offering 2 project-based schemes: Engineering and Software.

Unlike most companies who offer a job shadowing experience, at Renishaw all of our schemes are project based, allowing students to get a real understanding of what working life is really like.

Further information about the weeks we are running this year can be found in the pdf attached and on the link below, where you will also be able to apply.

[Work experience weeks \(renishaw.com\)](#)

Please note, priority will be given to students from schools local to our headquarters site in Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire where the placement weeks will take place.

If you have any questions regarding work experience, please contact education@renishaw.com

Creative Careers is an area that I know a lot of students are curious about and whilst isn't quite the provision for it in Gloucestershire, here are a couple of places that are very active at the moment.

[BBC Get Into](#) are positing a lot on social media and in particular around apprenticeships and degree apprenticeships.

[4 Schools](#) is the Channel 4 school engagement programme. I know a few of you attended the CPD sessions delivered by them just before Christmas. Very insightful about the transferable skills and in which roles they might be used in.



27th October 2023

Dear Careers Advisor,

Re: Year 10 Work Experience and Apprenticeships in Early Years Education

I am writing to offer a work experience placement with All My Friends Childcare in the 2024 Summer Term to Year 10 students currently studying Child Development as a GCSE option.

To ensure each student has the best possible experience and gains an understanding of the operations of an Early Years setting and discovers the magical world of development, exploration and experience, through a child's eyes, we only offer 2 placements at any one time.

The students will spend time in each of our 3 age groups to gain an understanding of the stages of child development, safeguarding and health & safety rules as well as being hands on and supporting children to access activities and experiences during their sessions.

Students wanting to be considered for placement are required to independently enquire by calling 01452 505 515 option 2 or emailing louise.h@allmyfriendschildcare.co.uk One of the setting team will then be in contact for an informal chat and to arrange a pre-placement interview. All students applying for a placement will need to commit to undertaking the placement for the full week.

In return we offer a safe, welcoming and friendly environment for those first steps into the world outside formal education. Each student will receive a short induction and a named 'buddy' for support. Upon completion of the work experience week, we will provide them with an individual summary for their portfolio, including the opportunities offered, an overview of their participation, attitude and hours worked during their placement.

For Year 11 students wanting to transition from school to undertake a work-based apprenticeship in Early Years, we commit to 2 apprenticeships joining us each September. We invite applications from students at the start of each calendar year. Where students have not achieved a pass in GCSE Maths and/or English, our designated training provider will run functional skills alongside the qualification. Apprenticeships are offered on a first come, first served basis and are subject to our formal Safer Recruitment procedures, which are available upon request.

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Students choosing to undertake an Early Years qualification through a local college may also apply to All My Friends Childcare for their placement. We are passionate about education for all ages and have a long track record of supporting young people into fulfilling careers within the Early Years sector via a variety of professional development routes.

Unfortunately, we are unable to offer placements for students undertaking Health & Social Care qualifications. These do not fulfil the entry requirements for full and relevant Early Years qualifications; therefore, we prefer to support those students who are fully committed to a career in Early Years education.

In addition to offering the work placements, we would be happy to discuss the possibility of welcoming you and a small group of students to visit All My Friends Barnwood Nursery as part of your curriculum. If this may be of interest or you have any questions about the work placements, please contact Louise Howe, Nursery Manager on 01452 502 060 option 2 or email Louise.h@allmyfriendschildcare.co.uk.

Kind regards,

Joanne

Joanne Ross – Business Manager
Email: jo@allmyfriendschildcare.co.uk

Post-16 Timeline

I have had some requests from parents & students for a suggested timeline around Post-16 applications – please find a guide below for Current Year 11s (leaving SVS in June 2024):-

July -September 2023 - There are lots of school Sixth Forms and Colleges in Gloucestershire and so using the summer holidays to whittle them down to a shortlist may well be a sensible first step in deciding where to go after Severn Vale School. Why not begin researching via Unifrog or 6th Form / Colleges own websites. Aim to compile a short-list of Post-16 choices by the end of September, having checked first that your GCSE estimated grades are on target to meet the course requirements. Following this you need to apply to attend a selection of open-days / open evenings (**Top tip** - If applicable - remember to research what student bursaries are available for you to apply for e.g. travel bursaries).

Sept - November 2023 - Attend at least two College or Sixth Form open-days (these may be in-person or virtual open-days depending on Covid-19). Most colleges only have a couple of open days a year, while some Sixth Forms only have one a year and so you do need to get organised early. Please note you will find many of the popular colleges open-days get full early. (**Top tip** - Severn Vale School will be issuing all students with a list of open-days at the start of September but some are already being advertised (see Colleges & Sixth Form pages of Newsletter for more information)).

FLD 23rd November 2023 - Severn Vale School will be taking all of Year 11 off timetable for the day to allow them to visit a Post-16 destination of their choice. Transport will be provided by Severn Vale School, however as students are only able to visit one venue, it is important that students choose carefully. As well as getting to see the facilities, an open day is a great opportunity to find out more about the different courses on offer from those who teach and study it - current students and academic staff. (**Top tip** - For many students choosing a college or sixth form is a bit like buying a house - and so you may well find that you end up going with your gut feeling and choosing the college or sixth form that feels like it could be your home for the next 2 years. Remember what is right for your friends might not be right for you).

November – December 2023 - January 2024 - Submit applications to College / Sixth Forms (**Top tip** - you can submit multiple applications and can also accept courses at more than one provider, and you do not need to decide on where you are going until GCSE Results Day in August 2024)

December 2023 – Complete, via Unifrog, your Post-16 destination form, remembering to include a Plan A and a Plan B – this information will allow us to be able to review all of Year 11s applications and do a check on suitability and ensure all of Year 11 have the balance right between being aspirational and attainable.

January - February 2024- If appropriate - apply to local grammar schools - please see their website for the application window (normally only a few weeks).

February - July 2024 - If appropriate - apply for apprenticeships via either Unifrog or Find and Apprenticeship website [Find an apprenticeship \(findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk\)](https://findanapprenticeship.service.gov.uk)

August 2024- GCSE results day - decide on which Post-16 place you are going to enrol at.