

# **Careers Newsletter**

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# **Apprenticeships**

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 <u>Find an Apprenticeship</u> website or via Unifrog.

During Y10 I feel it is a good idea to have a look at what type of apprenticeship are being advertised so that you can have a think about which ones you might be interested in applying for at the end of Y11. Please click on the below links for more information on some local apprenticeship vacancies that are currently being advertised

KOHLER MIRA: - <a href="https://www.mirashowers.co.uk/">https://www.mirashowers.co.uk/</a>

#### Wednesday 19th January.

Attendees will have the opportunity to speak to the team here at Kohler Mira, including apprentices, both current and graduated, apprentice managers and members of the Executive team. We are also running site tours for anyone who has registered their attendance with us.

Engineering Apprenticeships, available to students post-GCSE;

Applications to our apprenticeships close on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2022. To apply, visit www.mirashowers.co.uk/earlycareers.





#### Early careers



The Early Careers team at St. James's Place will be hosting an Apprenticeship Open Evening on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February** from 4.30-6pm. We are a leading UK wealth management organisation and an award-winning FTSE 100 company. We are very much a growth company, with a strong track record of success and achievement, underpinned by our continued investment in our people.

The event is open to students and parents/guardians and will be held as a Zoom Webinar. To book your place please use this link Early careers | St. James's Place Careers (sjp.co.uk)

Registrations are now open on our website, <u>Apprenticeship Open Evening</u> and applications for our Apprenticeship opportunities will go live on **25**<sup>th</sup> **March 2022**.

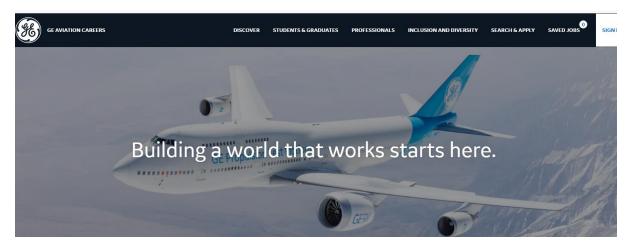
# Early Careers Apprenticeship Open Evening

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Register

# Apprenticeships at GE aviation - <u>Search results | Find the available job openings at GE Aviation |</u> GE Careers



Please save the date – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January – for a virtual open evening with GE Aviation, to learn more about the apprenticeship opportunities in Gloucestershire, starting in September 2022.

Click here to see a list of all our apprenticeship vacancies.

We will be running 2x sessions - both will provide the same information to prospective candidates:

- Click here to register for the 4 5.30pm session
- Click here to register for the 6 7.30pm session

In addition to learning about the opportunities available, we will also have a live Q&A. However if you have any questions that you'd like to share in advance, for response to in advance, or on the night, please contact <a href="mailto:cheltenham.apprenticeships@ge.com">cheltenham.apprenticeships@ge.com</a>

Attached also is a summary of The Advanced Manufacturing Apprenticeship and Higher Business Apprenticeships that are delivered on the Bishops Cleeve site in Cheltenham.

#### Are you interested in Cars:-

#### **Rolls Royce - Benefits of Apprenticeships**



8th February 2022, 4.30pm-5.30pm

Register here: <a href="https://www.schoolleaverfair.co.uk/auditorium/live-webinars/60/benefits-of-apprenticeships">https://www.schoolleaverfair.co.uk/auditorium/live-webinars/60/benefits-of-apprenticeships</a>

#### Virtual open evening with BT



#### 10th February 2022, 4pm-5pm

Register here: <a href="https://www.schoolleaverfair.co.uk/auditorium/live-webinars/64/virtual-open-evening-with-bt">https://www.schoolleaverfair.co.uk/auditorium/live-webinars/64/virtual-open-evening-with-bt</a>

#### You can search for apprenticeships via Unifrog

#### **Apprenticeships**



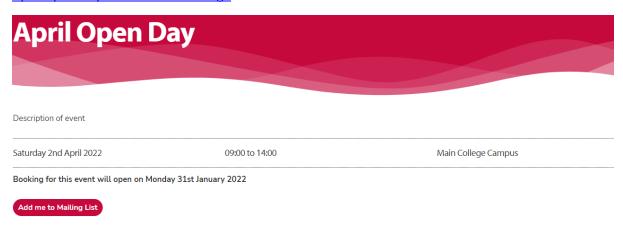
- · Students can find live apprenticeship vacancies
- Vacancies are updated daily
- Rank and filter opportunities by factors like distance from home, weekly wage and application deadlines
- · Direct link to the 'apply' page
- Each apprenticeship vacancy includes practical information about the opportunity, employer and training
- Save unlimited shortlists to refer back to later



# College

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 and below you will also find up-to-date information on their open-days and taster sessions.

<u>Cirencester College</u> – their next openday is:- Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – you need to BOOK onto this event. April Open Day – Cirencester College



<u>Gloucestershire College</u> - their next openday is:- 24-25<sup>th</sup> January you need to BOOK onto this event Virtual Open Events at Gloucestershire College | Gloucestershire College (gloscol.ac.uk)



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| Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> January   | Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January |   |       |
|---|----------------------------------|---|-------|
|   | 5-6pm                            | Sport and Public Services, Business       | 5-6pm |
| Business T Level  |                                  | and Travel and Tourism                    |       |
| Catering and Hospitality  | 5-6pm                            | Motor Vehicle                             | 5-6pm |
| Art and Design, Photography, Media, Music,<br>Performing Arts and Fashion | 6-7pm                            | Early Years and Health and Social<br>Care | 6-7pm |
| Construction  | 6-7pm                            | Engineering                               | 6-7pm |
| IT and Computing  | 7-8pm                            | Business T Level                          | 6-7pm |
| Apprenticeships   | 7-8pm                            | Hair and Beauty                           | 7-8pm |

<u>GET</u>- If you want an engineering apprenticeship you MUST attend this - <u>Gloucestershire Engineering</u> Training | Home (get-trained.org)

#### Welcome to Gloucestershire Engineering Training



GET are holding their annual recruitment evening on Thursday 3rd March 2022 4.00-7.00pm. All attendees must book in advance, to book a place please click here

<u>Hartpury College</u> – Please see below the note on Opendays... and visit the web link to register to visit the campus Open Days | College | Hartpury University and Hartpury College

#### VISITING CAMPUS

Our campus open events are full at the moment. If you're applying or have applied for September 2022, we're busy putting plans in place to make sure you have the opportunity to visit us, safely.

Please complete this form to let us know that you're interested in visiting our campus. We'll soon be in touch with more information on how you can visit. This could be a place on an existing open event or an opportunity to visit us on a different date.

Please note, we'll require attendees for any campus-based visits to complete a Covid-19 lateral flow test and show the NHS email/SMS negative result on arrival. We'll continue to monitor and respond to government guidance and be in touch if anything changes

REGISTER INTEREST >



#### **Stage Door Learning -**

<u>South Gloucestershire & Stroud (SGS)</u> – Future Fridays Zoom on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September and their next open-day is:-

| SGS | Saturday | In<br>person | 22nd | January | 2022 | 10am -<br>1pm  |
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| SGS | Thursday | In<br>person | 28th | April   | 2022 | 5.30pm-<br>8pm |

# **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 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 single Severn Vale student, most will receive two meetings.

If you would like to book a careers appointment please email noakey@severnvaleschool.com



#### Sixth Forms

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.

**All Saints Academy -**

<u>Archway School Sixth Form</u> - Archway are taking part in a Careers Zoom on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**Balcarras School -**

Cheltenham Bournside School -

Chosen Hill School -

Churchdown School -

| Thursday In person | 27th | January | 2022 | Evening - TBC |
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The Crypt School - Closing date is Friday 21st January 2022

<u>Denmark Road Sixth Form</u> – <u>Denmark Road High School - Denmark Road Sixth Form</u>

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Applications to join the Denmark Road are open. Please apply here:

The best way to find out about us is to visit. Join our Open Evening on January 20<sup>th</sup> 2022 from 5-8pm

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If you have any queries please contact Mrs Harvey on <a href="mailto:harveyl@denmarkroad.org">harveyl@denmarkroad.org</a>

Holmleigh Park Sixth Form -

<u>Katherine Lady Berkley School</u> –

#### Marling Sixth From – Marling Sixth Form A Level Evening - 27th January

We are delighted to confirm that we are inviting potential applicants not currently studying at Marling to an on-site A Level Evening on **Thursday 27th January**. At this event you will be able to visit A Level subject spaces, speak to teachers and students about A Level courses and find out more about the Marling Diamond extra-curricular activities we offer at Marling Sixth Form.

Booking is essential to enable us to manage the flow of people throughout the site. Please click on this link <a href="https://go.marling.study/">https://go.marling.study/</a> to book your place or visit our website <a href="https://go.marlingsixthform.org">www.marlingsixthform.org</a>. Booking will close on Tuesday 25th January.

Key Dates for Marling Sixth Form

Thursday 27th January 2022 - on-site A Level Evening - book below

Friday 18th February 2022 - application deadline

**Saturday 12th February 2022 (Provisional)** - we hope to be inviting new students to take part in **Discovery Day** - a chance to try out some on-site A Level lessons. Please put this date in your diary and we hope to invite you to book for this immediately after 27th January.

**March 2022** - Advice and Guidance meetings for all new applicants to discuss subject choices and additional interests.

June 2022 - Sixth Form Induction Days

We will send more information about the arrangements for the A Level evening in due course. We look forward to meeting you on 27th January

Marling Sixth Form team <a href="mailto:info@marlingsixthform.org">info@marlingsixthform.org</a>

#### Pates Sixth Form –

#### <u>Ribston Hall Sixth Form</u> – Applications will Close on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022

If you would like to be considered for a place in Ribston Hall Sixth Form, starting in September 2022, please complete your application form by 28th January 2022.

Sir Thomas Rich's Sixth Form -

# Sixth Form Open Evening

Our Sixth Form Open Evening will be held on Thursday 3 February 2022.

Our prospectus for Sixth Form September **2021 entry** can be downloaded below:

View as PDF

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do get in touch with our Sixth Form Administrator (Mrs Sara Whittard: <a href="mailto:sw@strs.org.uk">sw@strs.org.uk</a>) who will be happy to help with your query.

# <u>St Peter's RC High School</u> – <u>Applications will Close on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022 -</u>

### Stroud High School Sixth Form -

| Wednesday | In person | 19th | January | 2022 | 5pm-8pm |
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#### **Launch of Unifrog**

September 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. 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 <a href="https://www.unifrog.org/code">www.unifrog.org/code</a>

Writing a CV on Unifrog is really easy ... have a go...





Q3) How do I write a CV

unifrog
Sign in

STEP 1:- Log-onto Unifrog!

# **Work Experience & Careers Fairs**

While Severn Vale School's Y10 Work experience takes place in the 1<sup>st</sup> week of July (4<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> July 2022) 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 see below for current work experience / insight into industry days.

# ONLINE GET INTO MEDICINE CONFERENCE



How to access Medical Medical Awards, Prizes, Leadership Programmes, and Scholarships to study Medicine at University.

Upcoming dates: Saturday 29th January Sunday 30th January

Here is an overview of the programme:

09:30 - 10:00 - Registration

10:00 - 11:00 - Quick introduction to Medic Mentor, overview for the day, competition ratios, application timeline, Awards and Scholarships

11:00 - 11:15 Break

11:15 - 11:30 Presentation from a successful Applicant

11:30 - 11:45 Presentation from a successful Applicant

11:45 - 12:00 Structure of Medical Training

12:00 - 12:15 Break

12:15 - 13:15 Various talks from doctors including GP, Surgery, Hospital and Academic Medicine

13:15 - 13:45 Lunch

13:45 - 14:30 UCAS Application Form, Entry Requirements and CV building

14:30 - 14:45 The perspective of a current applicant

14:45 - 15:00 Break

15:00 - 15:45 Personal Statements and Teacher References

15:45 - 16:00 Break

16:00 - 16:30 Entrance Exams: UCAT & BMAT

16:30 - 17:00 Medical School Interviews

17:00 - 17:15 Harnessing Opportunities and Extracurricular Activities

17:15 - 17:30 Summary and questions

Register for FREE using the coupon code: Teacher22

here: <a href="https://medicmentor.co.uk/medicine-national-healthcare-weekend/">https://medicmentor.co.uk/medicine-national-healthcare-weekend/</a>

#### Post-16 Timeline

I have had some requests from parents & students for a suggested timeline around Post-16 applications for current Year 11s – please find a guide below:-

**September 2021** - 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 2021 -** Attend at least two College or Sixth Form open-days (these may be inperson 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 25th November 2021** - 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 2021 - January 2022 -** 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 2022)

**December 2021** – 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 2022** - If appropriate - apply to local grammar schools - please see their website for the application window (normally only a few weeks).

**February - May 2022** - If appropriate - apply for apprenticeships via either Unifrog or Find and Apprenticeship website <a href="Find an apprenticeship">Find an apprenticeship (findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk)</a>

August 2022 - GCSE results day - decide on which Post-16 place you are going to enrol at.