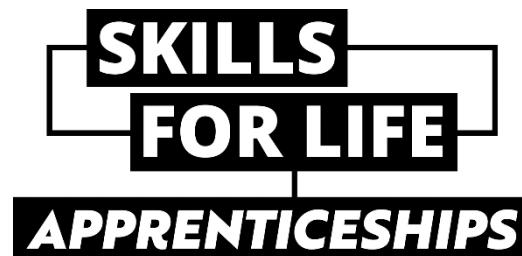




Careers Newsletter February 2025

A careers update for parents/carers including local and national information.

National Apprenticeships Week Edition



National Apprenticeship Week 2025 10th to 16th February 2025

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The 18th National Apprenticeship Week takes place this year from 10th – 16th February!

National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) is an annual week-long celebration of apprenticeships, which aims to shine a light on the amazing work being undertaken by apprentices, employers and training providers across England.

It is also a fantastic opportunity to inspire students to consider apprenticeships as a future option and to share information about apprenticeships and technical education.

If you would like to find out more about apprenticeships, visit Amazing Apprenticeships' Parent and Carer zone: amazingapprenticeships.com/zones/parent/ and also sign up to receive the monthly magazine Choices, the ultimate parent and carer guide to apprenticeships and technical education: amapps.uk/choices

NAW 25 Events

A range of events are taking place nationally – see this link for full details: [National Apprenticeship Week 2025, 10 - 16 February 2025](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-apprenticeship-week-2025-10-16-february-2025)

Unifrog virtual Apprenticeships fair 12th Feb 2025 (4:00 – 6.30pm)

Get involved with National Apprenticeship Week by attending our virtual apprenticeship fair and speaking to 30 employers in just over two hours! Learn all about the world of work by exploring the latest opportunities, attending live sessions with employers, and chat to experts and apprentices from organisations including BBC, NHS, British Army, KPMG, Lloyds Banking Group, EY, and Unilever! Follow the sign up link to register on our exciting external events platform, iVent. Sign up here: [Unifrog](#)

Apprenticeship Resources

Great Western Hospital's Film on Apprenticeships in the NHS

[Apprenticeships at Great Western Hospitals \(youtube.com\)](#)

A free parents guide to apprenticeships can be downloaded here:

[National Apprenticeship Week - parent guide \(theparentsguideto.co.uk\)](#)

Apprenticeships information for year 11, and 13

Year 11 Students wishing to apply for apprenticeships who do not have an employer should follow these steps:

- 1) Apply to colleges/training providers. Colleges/training providers will try to match apprentices with employers. However, it's always a good idea to seek your own employer. Colleges locally providing apprenticeships include: **Cirencester, Bath, Wiltshire, South Gloucestershire & Stroud and New College Swindon.**
- 2) Create an account and set up vacancy alerts on: [Search apprenticeship – Find an apprenticeship – GOV.UK](#) Most vacancies for year 11 leavers will be advertised from Spring – however some larger firms will recruit from the Autumn term.
- 3) Contact local businesses of interest sending a CV and a speculative letter – you might get in touch with them just before they advertise!

For those students with an employer lined up, their employer should be able to direct them to the appropriate college or training provider to apply to. However, if the employer isn't sure, please speak to Sarah Griffin – careers adviser for advice.

Year 13 Students wishing to apply for apprenticeships should follow these steps:

- 1) Create an account and set up vacancy alerts on: [Search apprenticeship – Find an apprenticeship – GOV.UK](#) (you can select advanced, higher and degree apprenticeship vacancies only) Apprenticeships can be advertised at any point in the year but many vacancies for year 13 leavers will be advertised from the Autumn term
- 2) Register for alerts and search on UCAS via their two search options: [Degree jobs \(ucas.com\)](#) and [Search \(ucas.com\)](#)
- 3) Some higher and degree apprenticeships will also be advertised via: [NGTU | Job Search \(notgoingtouni.co.uk\)](#)
- 4) Consider your back up plan – if you're not successful finding an apprenticeship this year – what else could you do? A Gap year, an entry level job, go to university? Many students apply to UCAS for a degree and also apply to apprenticeship vacancies keeping more doors open for longer.

For any students who plan to start an apprenticeship after year 11/13 an appointment can be made with Sarah Griffin, Careers Adviser for advice and guidance sgriffin@malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk .

For information on apprenticeships and to set up vacancy alerts see:

[Apprenticeships](#)

[Search apprenticeship – Find an apprenticeship – GOV.UK](#)

[Careerpilot : Find a course or apprenticeship](#)

Local Higher and Degree apprenticeship vacancies

- **Renishaw**

Renishaw are currently advertising multiple apprenticeship vacancies: [Renishaw Employer Profile - Early Talent Academy](#) ↴

- **GE Aerospace**

Live vacancies include a range of Advanced, Higher and Degree Level apprenticeships in Cheltenham and Gloucester from Supply Chain to Engineering. [GE Aerospace | UK Apprenticeships \(gecareers.com\)](#)

Degree Apprenticeships

The links below contain a selection of current local Higher and Degree level apprenticeship vacancies as well as the January edition of the full UK Higher and Degree apprenticeship listing.

- The January edition of the Higher & Degree vacancy listing has now launched! Explore 2,400 Higher and Degree apprenticeship vacancies from 80+ employers, including Accenture, AstraZeneca, British Army, Dunelm, EDF (UK), IBM, KPMG, Network Rail, Nestlé, Rolls-Royce, Siemens, Thames Valley Police, Vodafone and many more!
[Higher-and-Degree-Vacancy-Listing-January-2025.pdf](#)
- [6 Vacancies found - Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK \(findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk\)](#) (Degree apprenticeships within 40 miles of Malmesbury)
- [36 Vacancies found \(page 1 of 4\) - Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK \(findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk\)](#) (Higher apprenticeships within 40 miles of Malmesbury)

Applications to College, Sixth Forms and Apprenticeships - Year 11

How and when to apply?

For any students who have not yet applied to college, applications can still be made online via the college websites. Whilst most colleges do not have a set deadline, the preference is for applications to be made as early as possible in year 11 to allow for interviews to take place before Easter and the start of the exams.

Year 11 students can apply to as many colleges as they wish and make a final decision after GCSE results if needs be.

Students who wish to apply to a sixth form need to check with the sixth form directly to find out when they will be accepting applications. Many sixth forms will have an application window that opens after their open day has taken place.

**For another copy of the open days sheet or to request a careers appointment to discuss options please email:
sgriffin@malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk**

College Open days Flyers

Open Day

Saturday 15th March 2025

A-levels • T-levels • Vocational • Apprenticeships



REGISTER ONLINE
For more information visit:
www.cirencester.ac.uk

9:30am until 3:30pm

Cirencester College

Specialist teaching for 16-19 year olds • Tailored Support
Excellent Results • Huge Enrichment Programme
Subsidised Transport

MORE CHOICE AT YOUR SPECIALIST SIXTH FORM

OPEN DAYS 2024/2025

 Wiltshire College
& University Centre



October		
Thurs 3 October	5pm-7pm	Trowbridge
Sat 5 October	10am-12pm	Lackham
Tues 8 October	5pm-7pm	Salisbury
Thurs 10 October	5pm-7pm	Chippenham

November		
Sat 9 November	10am-12pm	Chippenham
Sat 9 November	10am-12pm	Lackham
Sat 16 November	10am-12pm	Salisbury
Sat 23 November	10am-12pm	Trowbridge

January/February		
Wed 22 January	5pm-7pm	Trowbridge
Thurs 23 January	5pm-7pm	Salisbury
Wed 29 January	5pm-7pm	Chippenham
Sat 1 February	10am-12pm	Lackham

April/May		
Wed 30 April	5pm-7pm	Chippenham
Thurs 1 May	5pm-7pm	Trowbridge
Tues 6 May	5pm-7pm	Salisbury
Sat 10 May	10am-12pm	Lackham

Scan the QR
code to sign up
or register at
wiltshire.ac.uk



In Person Work Experience

Hewlett Packard – Bristol

We are pleased to invite students in years 10-12 from your school to participate in our 2025 Work Experience program, taking place on-site in Bristol!

Students can participate during one of the following 2025 sessions:

- **Monday 7th - Thursday 10th April 2025**
- **Monday 21st - Thursday 24th July 2025**

HPE is a global technology leader, delivering transformative solutions to organizations worldwide. During this program, students will gain firsthand insight into the IT industry, engage with professionals across various fields, and discover potential career pathways.

Interested students can apply by using this [link](#). After reviewing the applications, we will notify the students of their outcomes and keep you updated.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact us at wex-bristol@hpe.com. We look forward to partnering with you.

Events

Hartpury University and College – Sport Experience Day

In **February half-term** we are offering the opportunity for **sport and science enthusiasts** to attend a **free university taster day** here on campus at Hartpury. You'll learn from our **expert lecturers** in **exciting workshops** and start to understand University life by **exploring our facilities** and **meeting current students**.

Not only is it a fun and insightful day, but also a great talking point when applying to sixth form, colleges, or university!

When: 20th February, 9.30am-2.30pm

Who: Year 9 & 10 students

Where: Hartpury, GL19 3BE

Workshops: Sport Science Experience, Introduction to Sports Therapy

What you need: Lunch, drinks, pen.

How to apply: Sign up via this short form <https://gck.fm/exrkn>. You will need parent/carer permission.

If you have any **questions**, please email outreach@hartpury.ac.uk, including the school you/your child attends.

Real Estate Industry Experience for year 12 students

We are running free 1-day, Real Estate Insight days with our Industry partners on the following days in order to help students discover more about careers within the property Industry:

- **Birmingham on 13th March** (with RICS – Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors)
- **Cambridge on 18th March** (with Carter Jonas)
- **Bristol on 26th March** (with Savills)

Applications can be found [here](#) on our website here and will close on **16th February**. Priority will be given to those students that live in the local areas and fit within our criteria however do contact us directly if you have students that you feel should get a place due to other circumstances.

Students will go on a site visit, work on a small project and have a Q&A session with both current and recent Real Estate graduates and apprentices who are now working in the industry. All events are fully funded by Pathways2property including travel costs to and from the venue.

Students that have attended any one of our programmes will subsequently be able to take part in our **work experience** and **e-mentoring programme** and they will also be able to apply for a **bursary of up to £30,000** should they go on to study a

property related degree at any University. If they apply to study a Real Estate course at the University of Reading they will be **guaranteed a contextual offer** and will automatically be given a **Welcome bursary** once enrolled.

Applications are also open for our 4 day residential at the University of Reading on **8th – 11th July** (please see our [website](#) for further details)

We are a charity funded by the Real Estate Industry, based at the University of Reading, who are keen to support students from less advantaged and non-traditional backgrounds. In the 12 years we have been running we have engaged with over 26,400 students - 22% of attendees of our Summer school have since gone on to study or work in property. Further information about our programmes can be found on our [website](#) or you can contact me on: pathways2property@henley.ac.uk

Dr.eam Aspire Virtual Medical Careers Conference for Years 10, 11 and 12

The free upcoming **Dr.eam Aspire Virtual Conference will take place on Saturday 8th March for Year 10, 11, and 12 students**. This exciting online event aims to support students interested in healthcare careers, such as Medicine, Nursing, Dentistry and Pharmacy.

Students can sign up by using the registration link (<https://tinyurl.com/dream-aspire2025>)

Explore Your Future with Deloitte Apprenticeships

Tuesday, 11th February, 5pm 7:30pm

FAO Careers, Y11 and 12 Female Students

Are you a **Year 12 or Year 13 female student** interested in a career in **business, finance, or professional services**? Join us for **Discover Apprenticeships at Deloitte**, an exclusive event designed to give you insights into **Deloitte's degree apprenticeship programmes**, where you can earn while you learn and start a successful career at one of the world's leading professional services firms.

Event Details

Date: Tuesday, 11th February

Time: 5:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Location: Deloitte, Reading Office

Who Can Attend? Year 12 & Year 13 female students

Spaces are limited – apply now to secure your place:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Deloitte-Reading-Feb>

Explore a Legal Career with Freeths – Virtual Insight Event

Discover Solicitor Apprenticeships and Work Experience at a Top 50 UK Law Firm

FAO Careers, Y11, 12 and 13 Students

Do you want to know what it takes to become a top legal professional? This is your chance to gain **insider knowledge** and take your first step towards a career in law with **Freeths, a top 50 UK law firm**.

Join us on **Wednesday, 12th February (5:00pm - 6:00pm)** for an **exclusive virtual insight event** where you'll hear directly from a range of top legal professionals, gain expert career advice, and explore the exciting opportunities available through their **solicitor apprenticeship programme**.

Event Details

Date: Wednesday, 12th February

Time: 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Location: Zoom (link provided upon registration)

About Freeths

Freeths is a **top 50 full-service UK law firm** with **13 offices across the country**, working with major businesses, institutions, and individuals. Known for its **progressive and inclusive culture**, Freeths provides a dynamic environment for young legal talent to develop and thrive.

Register here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Freeths-virtual>

Exclusive KPMG Insight Events – Reading & Bristol

Wednesday, 19th February, 5pm - 7pm - Reading

Thursday, 20th February, 5pm - 7pm - Bristol

Would you like to discover what a career in **business consulting, finance, or technology** looks like at a global firm with revenues exceeding **\$38 billion?**

Join us for **Insight to KPMG – Reading or Bristol**, an exclusive event designed to give you first-hand exposure to career opportunities at one of the world's leading professional services firms.

This is a **fantastic opportunity** to learn about **KPMG's apprenticeship programmes** in business, finance, technology, and accounting, **hear from senior business leaders**, and gain valuable insights into the skills and qualifications needed to succeed in the industry.

Event Details

Date: Wednesday, 19th February - Reading or Thursday, 20th February - Bristol

Time: 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Location: KPMG, Reading and Bristol Offices (full details provided upon application)

For: Year 12 & Year 13 students interested in business and professional services

Reading Apply Here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KPMG-Reading>

Explore Careers at HM Treasury

Exclusive Virtual Insight Event

Gain Insights into the UK's Economic & Finance Ministry

Wednesday, 12th February 5pm - 6pm

FAO Careers, Y12, 13 and University Students

Might you be interested in a career that shapes the UK's economy and financial policies? Join us for an **exclusive virtual insight event with HM Treasury** on **Wednesday, 12th February** (5:00pm - 6:00pm) and discover the exciting apprenticeship and graduate and career opportunities available in the **heart of government**.

HM Treasury is the **UK government's economic and finance ministry**, responsible for **public spending, economic policy, and sustainable growth**. This event is a must-attend for **Year 12, Year 13, gap year and University** students who want to explore a career in **business, finance, policy, or economics** while earning a salary through an apprenticeship or graduate role.

Event Details

Date: Wednesday, 12th February

Time: 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Location: Zoom (link provided upon registration)

For: Year 12, Year 13, gap year and university students

Register here:

[**https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HMTreasury-Insight**](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HMTreasury-Insight)

Insight to PwC Virtual Experience Day

Join Big 4 & Global Accounting Firm PwC for their Virtual Experience Day on Tuesday 18th February, 10am – 3pm

Are you a **Year 11, 12, 13 or University Student** interested in gaining **work experience with one of the world's leading professional services firms?**

Join the **PwC Virtual Experience Day** during February half term to explore career opportunities in **business, finance, accounting, and professional services** while developing key employability skills.

Event Details

Date: Tuesday, 18th February

Time: 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Location: Virtual (join from anywhere)

Who Can Attend? Year 11, 12, 13 and University students

Register Here: [**https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PwC-WExDay**](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PwC-WExDay)

Get into Law Workshop Evening with 3 Magic Circle Law Firms, A world leading university and 3 mid-tier global firms!

Thursday 13th February, 5pm - 7pm

Are you considering a career in law but unsure about the best route to take? Join us for **Get Into Law Workshop Evening**, a special event where you will hear directly from **leading law firms and legal experts** about the different pathways into the legal profession through interactive workshops.

This event is designed for students exploring options such as **legal apprenticeships, solicitor training contracts, and university pathways**. Whether you are looking for an alternative to university or seeking clarity on the legal profession, this session will give you the information you need to make an informed decision about your future.

Event Details:

Date: Thursday, 13th February

Time: 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

For: Year 11, 12, 13 and university students interested in law

Location: (Zoom link provided upon registration)

Meet Leading Law Firms & Institutions

You will have the opportunity to engage with representatives from some of the most prestigious law firms in the UK, as well as legal education providers, including 3 Magic Circle:

- **Farrer & Co** – A specialist firm with expertise in private client and corporate law
- **TLT** – A forward-thinking law firm known for innovation and diverse culture
- **Freshfields** – A global firm with expertise in corporate, dispute resolution, & finance
- **Mishcon de Reya** – A firm known for litigation, corporate, and private client law
- **Slaughter & May** – A leading firm in high-profile corporate & commercial cases
- **Linklaters** – A global firm with expertise in banking, corporate, & dispute resolution
- **University of Law** – A leading provider of legal education and solicitor training

Register Here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YP-Law-virtual>

LIVE FREE VIRTUAL Get into Medicine/Dentistry Conference

- Sunday 8th February 2025
- Sunday 23rd February 2025

'Once students have attended, they will be awarded with a certificate from the Presidents at Medic Mentor to acknowledge that they are a student who has gone one step further than others.

The Get into Medicine conference is a significant turning point for Medic Mentor students. It will unlock exclusive opportunities such as scholarships and prizes, as well as help them to make a highly competitive application.

Students can register using this link [Get Into Medicine Conference Student Online Registration Form \(airtable.com\)](https://airtable.com)

Please note that all students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian for safeguarding purposes.

The Get into Medicine Conference is a comprehensive guide to the medical application process covering:

- Application Timelines
- How to Tactically Choose Medical Schools
- CV Building
- Personal Statements
- Interview Schools
- Medical Leadership and Awards Programmes
- Accessing Work Experience
- UCAT and BMAT - Entrance Exams to Medical School
- Accessing Scholarships

Spaces are competitive and limited, so students should register as soon as they can using the link below. For this reason, we kindly request that students only book one conference.

One booking = one booking for a student + their parent/guardian'.

Pre-Med Projects medical work experience (NOT FREE - £78)

[The Weekly Surgery | Online Medical Work Experience Course \(premedprojects.co.uk\)](https://premedprojects.co.uk)

Pre-Med Projects London Hospital one day work experience (NOT FREE £250)

[London Medical Work Experience In Hospitals | 1 Day | Ages 14+ \(premedprojects.co.uk\)](https://premedprojects.co.uk)

University Webinars

Study in the North: Webinar and Live Q&A

Join us as the Universities of Lancaster, Sheffield, Newcastle and Sunderland talk through the benefits and opportunities that come from studying in the North of England. You can also ask your questions to a selection of current students!

When: Monday 10th February 2025

Time: 17:30-18:30

Location: Online

To sign up for the event, please register here <https://forms.office.com/e/vQdcd1aqJX>

Careers guidance at Malmesbury School

Sarah Griffin is our school careers adviser; to book an appointment, students can ask their tutor or leave their name at student services. Or please email queries to

SGriffin@malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk

Sarah is in school Tuesdays to Fridays and a drop-in service is available at lunch times.

Useful websites

A reminder of our on-line careers resource <https://www.eclips-online.co.uk> which outlines entry requirements and entry routes to almost every job you can think of. The site is also excellent for gaining job ideas; there are leaflets available, for example, on careers related to every area of the curriculum. The **log in** is coighi42



Another fantastic resource is www.careerpilot.org.uk careers database which includes career profiles and videos.

A screenshot of the Careerpilot website. The top navigation bar includes links for 'Home', 'Adviser Zone', 'Parent Zone', 'Search', 'Sign in', and 'Register'. Below the navigation is a main menu with links for 'Careerpilot', 'All info', 'Jobs', 'Courses', 'Providers', 'Qualifications', and 'Stories'. A yellow callout box contains the text: 'It's never been more important to look in detail at your career choices. Find out where jobs are and which courses to do. Watch our video and then explore Careerpilot to find out more.' Below the menu, a large heading reads 'Expert careers information and tools for 11-19 year olds, all in one place'. A blue button labeled 'Where do I start?' is shown. Below this are two large buttons: a blue one labeled '1. Start with you' and an orange one labeled '2. Explore your options', each with a dropdown arrow icon.

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