



BACKWELL SCHOOL CAREERS BULLETIN

1 April 2021

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CAREERS SUPPORT IN SCHOOL

Unifrog Careers Platform

<https://www.unifrog.org/sign-in>

Backwell School students and alumni have access to a careers platform called Unifrog where they can:

- Research career paths and options
- Create a CV
- Create shortlists of career ideas for future reference.
- Access work experience placements
- Access webinars
- Record careers trips/talks/experience for future applications

Careers on FROG

See **FROG** pages for updated advice and guidance on everything careers-related:

- **Years 12 - 13:** 'Future Plans' pages under 'Sixth Form'
- **Years 7 - 11:** 'Careers' pages

EtonX Skills Courses

<http://learn.etonx.com/>

Backwell students have access to these courses developed by Eton College. 7 hours of learning materials per course. Certificate of completion. Details and access codes on the student home page on FROG.

- **Year 10** - Interview Skills
- **Year 11** - Creative Problem Solving
- **Year 12** - Resilience
- **Year 13** - Making an Impact

Individual Guidance and Support

For 1-1 advice, guidance on career choices, options and applications please speak to your tutor or email Mrs Ball at cball@backwellschool.net



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MAKING DECISIONS

Websites which relate specific school subjects to ideas for future careers.

- <https://www.careerwave.co.uk/useful-career-resources-by-subject-area/>
- <https://www.unifrog.org/sign-in> (go to 'subjects library' and 'search by school subjects')

Quizzes to 'match' interests and skills to careers.

- **Prospects Planner** (for Years 11-13): <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/planner>
- **Career Pilot** (for all years) : <https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/job-sectors/quiz>
- **Unifrog 'Interest Profile'** (for all years) <https://www.unifrog.org/sign-in>

COLLEGE EVENTS AND INFORMATION

Weston College

<https://www.weston.ac.uk/event/creative-arts-easter-workshops>

13 /15 April

Face to face one-day workshops for Year 11 students in fashion, graphic design and photography.

City of Bristol College

<https://www.cityofbristol.ac.uk/events/>

21 April 4.30 pm – 6.30 pm

South Gloucestershire and Stroud College

<https://www.sgscol.ac.uk/events/open-events>

29 April 5.30 pm – 8.00 pm

Bridgwater and Taunton College

<https://www.btc.ac.uk/events/>

29/30 March Barbering and Hairdressing Online Taster
April various Sport Development Days

Bristol City Robins Foundation

<https://www.bcfc.co.uk/robins-foundation/education/education-open-evening/>

4 May 6.30 pm

Access Creative College

<https://www.accesscreative.ac.uk/open-events>

27 April Time dependant on subject

BIMM Institute

<https://www.bimm.ac.uk/open-days/bimm-bristol-virtual-open-day-08-05-21/>

8 May 10.30am

Hartpury College

<https://www.hartpury.ac.uk/college/open-days/>

23 June

Boomsatsuma

<https://www.boomsatsuma.education/collegeopendays>

UNIVERSITY EVENTS AND INFORMATION

UCAS Parents' Guide to University Entry

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/guide-to-university-entry>

Online Course – 3 hours a week for 3 weeks. Available anytime.

Oxford Brookes Virtual Summer Schools

<https://www.brookes.ac.uk/outreach/post-16/brookes-virtual-summer-schools>

July 2021. For Year 12. Available in Health and Life Sciences, Business, Engineering & Computer Science, Creative Arts, and Social Sciences

UPDATED Virtual University Open Days

A selection. Find them all at <https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/open-days/search>

10 April	Kingston, BIMM
13 April	London Met
17 April	Lincoln, Brunel
21 April	Surrey, Cardiff, South Wales, Middlesex

Virtual Academic Lectures

- UCL: <https://www.ucl.ac.uk/events/lunch-hour-lectures>
- Oxford: <http://www.ox.ac.uk/events-list>
- Bristol: <http://www.bristol.ac.uk/study/outreach/virtual-resources-for-students/faculty-content/>
- University of Law: Easter webinars on criminal law and negligence <https://tinyurl.com/sd44tce8>

Unibuddy - Speak to a Student

<https://www.ucas.com/chat-to-students>

A way of messaging current university students with any questions. Search via course or university.

Oxbridge Launchpad

<https://www.oxbridgelaunchpad.com/>

Portal to help state school students apply to Oxbridge.

Help Choosing University Courses

- <https://www.unitasterdays.com/on-demand.aspx>
- www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study
- <https://discoveruni.gov.uk/>
- Latest League Tables: <https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/league-tables/rankings>

Study Abroad (as a UK Student)

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/study-in-the-european-union>

<https://www.astarfuture.co.uk/>

Online Degrees

<https://requestinfo.onlinecourses.london.ac.uk/>

<http://www.openuniversity.edu/>

GAP YEARS

Independent Advice

<http://www.independentgapadvice.org/>

Ideas

<https://www.prospects.ac.uk/jobs-and-work-experience/gap-year>

<https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/your-choices-at-18/gap-year>

Placements

<https://www.volunteerics.org/>

https://www.ibm.com/uk-en/employment/entrylevel/#Futures_12_Month_Placement_Scheme

COMPETITIONS

Cambridge Sociology / Photography Competition

<https://www.sociology.cam.ac.uk/photo-competition-entry>

Students in Years 10- 12 are invited to enter one photograph and a paragraph that explains how the photo interprets the theme of 'Future Sociologies'. The winning student will receive £100 plus a trip to Cambridge in the summer (subject to COVID restrictions). **Closes 3 May 2021.**

Sustainability Net Zero Competition

<https://www.engineeringnetzero.com/insights/time-to-step-up/>

Students aged 11-14. Propose and present an idea on how you can contribute to achieving Net Zero. This could relate to energy, recycling, sustainability, reducing emissions, or any other topic which contributes to the government target of Net Zero by 2050. **Closes 14 June 2021.**

Step Into the NHS Competition

<https://www.stepintothenhs.nhs.uk/secondary-schools/KS3-competition>

For Years 7-9. Research an NHS career and create a fun and lively job advert. Students can enter individually or in teams of up to four. Deadline **30 April 2021.** Email Mrs Ball if interested.

Shell Bright Ideas Challenge

<https://tinyurl.com/y59bynbs>

Competition for students aged 11-14 to devise innovative STEM solutions to power cities of the future. Enter as a team or individual. Deadline **21 May 2021**

SCHOLARSHIPS

Bursaries and Scholarships

<https://www.thescholarship.org.uk/>

APPRENTICESHIP GUIDES

Apprenticeship Guide for Parents

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/app/uploads/2021/03/Parent-Pack-March-2021.pdf>

Apprenticeship Guides for Students

General	https://amazingapprenticeships.com/student-apprenticeship-guide/
Healthcare	https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/career-planning/study-and-training/apprenticeships-traineeships-and-cadet-schemes
Army	https://apply.army.mod.uk/what-we-offer/regular-soldier/skills
Government	https://www.civil-service-careers.gov.uk/apprenticeships

APPRENTICESHIP VACANCIES

National Opportunities Search Engines

- <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>
- <https://www.allaboutschooleavers.co.uk/jobs>
- <https://careerfinder.ucas.com/jobs/apprenticeship/>
- <https://www.future-talent.com/apprenticeship/section/degree-apprenticeships>

Opportunities via Local Colleges and Organisations

- <https://www.weston.ac.uk/what-can-i-study/apprenticeships>
- <https://www.cityofbristol.ac.uk/apprenticeships/>
- Reflections (Business Apprenticeships) <https://www.rbd.co.uk/>
- NHS <https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/> Search under 'Apprentice'

Selection of Local Opportunities at Post-16 and Post-18 (Levels 3-6).

- Procurement and Supply Chain (Level 4) at Babcock. Closing 2/4/21
- Teaching Assistant (Level 3) in Thornbury. Closing 2/4/21
- Nuclear Medicine (Level 6) at NHS. Closing 6/4/21
- Light Vehicle Technician (Level 3) at Mercedes Benz. Closing 11/4/21
- ***NEW*** Engineering (Level 3) at Welton, Bibby and Baron. Closing 12/4/21
- Teaching Assistant (Level 3) in Ross-On-Wye. Closing 15/4/21
- Marketing (Level 3) at M&G plc. Closing 16/4/21
- Property Management (Level 6) at Savills. Closing 16/4/21
- Digital Marketing (Level 3) at Prudential. Closing 16/4/21
- Mechanical Engineering / Buying / Control Engineering (Level 4) at Magnox. Closing 16/4/21
- Lift Engineering (Level 3) at Kone. Closing 16/4/21
- Customer Service (Level 3) at Thatcher's Cider. Closing 16/4/21
- Buyer (Level 4) at Magnox. Closing 16/4/21
- Mechanical Engineer (Level 5) at Magnox. Closing 16/4/21
- Control and Instrumentation Engineer (Level 5) at Magnox. Closing 16/4/21
- Marketing (Level 3) at M&G Prudential. Closing 16/4/21
- Quantity Surveying (Level 6) at Balfour Beatty. Closing 26/4/21
- ***NEW*** Public Health Practitioner (Level 6) at Hanham Secure Health. Closing 30/4/21
- ***NEW*** Insurance (Level 3) at Mercer. Closing 30/4/21

- Quantity Technician (Level 4) / Mechanical Engineer (Level 6) at Babcock. Closing 30/4/21
- Project Manager (Level 4) at Babcock. Closing 30/4/21
- Paralegal (Level 3) at Irwin Mitchell Closing 30/4/21
- IT (Level 3) at Developing Health and Independence. Closing 30/4/21
- ***NEW*** Engineering (Level 3) at Apetito. Closing 30/4/21
- Engineering (Level 3) at Majorlift Hydraulic Equipment. Closing 31/4/21
- Engineering Technician at Bentley. Closing 7/5/21
- Surveying (Level 6) at Vinci. Closing 11/5/21
- Business Admin (Level 3) at Cross Manufacturing. Closing 14/5/21
- Telecomms Engineer (Level 3) at Telent. Closing 22/5/21
- Paralegal Apprenticeship (Level 4) at Bevan Brittan. Closing 31/5/21
- School Learning and Support (Level 3) in Shepton Mallett. Closing 31/5/21
- Digital and Tech (Level 6) at Babcock. Closing 8/6/21
- Heavy Vehicle Maintenance (Level 3) at NRG Fleet. Closing 18/6/21
- ***NEW*** Fabricator (Level 3) at Target. Closing 18/6/21
- Childcare Apprentice (Level 3) at Busy Bees Nursery. Closing 30/6/21
- ***NEW*** Admin (Level 3) at Maxtoke. Closing 30/6/21
- Dental Nurse (Level 3) at Charlton Dental Practice. Closing 4/7/21
- Building Services (Level 3) at Briggs and Forrester. Closing 21/7/21
- Building Services Engineering (Level 6) at Smith Consult
- Insurance (Level 3 but requires A Levels or equiv.) at Marsh. Closing not specified
- Client Management (Level 6) at Aon. Open until filled.
- Investment Consulting (Level 6) at Aon. Open until filled.

WORK EXPERIENCE – INTERACTIVE PLACEMENTS

Parents' Guide to Virtual Work Experience

<https://www.theparentsguideto.co.uk/post/virtual-work-experience>

Guidance for parents and useful links to organisations offering VWEX.

NEW Careers in Nursing (NHS)

<https://www.s4snextgen.org/schools/opportunitiesv2/ViewOpportunity/id/1319>

6 May

Closing **14 April**

Find out about the many different roles in nursing. Min age 14

NEW Careers in Law (University of Law)

<https://www.law.ac.uk/landing/work-experience-scheme/>

26-28 July

Closing **18 June**

For Years 11-13. Gain insight into what working for a law firm or business is like, develop transferable skills, complete mock tasks that replicate real work activity, experience lectures delivered by professionals, network with students, business advisors and lawyers

Careers in Energy (National Grid)

<https://www.s4snextgen.org/Opportunities/View/id/1351>

27-29 April

Closing **8 April**

Explore the energy sector, the key priorities for the future and the wide range of roles that the energy sector will need to support this. Min age 16

Careers in Technology (Hewlett Packard)

<https://www.s4snextgen.org/Opportunities/View/id/1351>

12-16 April Closing **9 April**

Hear from a range of areas across the business (software development, engineering, management, and marketing). See first-hand what it's like to work at Hewlett Packard Enterprise. Alongside these sessions, you will work on a python programming project in a small group with a mentor. Min age 14

Careers in Event Management (St Pauls Carnival)

<https://www.s4snextgen.org/schools/opportunitiesv2/ViewOpportunity/id/1327>

29 April Closing **9 April**

If you have an interest or passion in events, music, history, community engagement, marketing, being creative then this insight session is for you. Throughout the 5 hour session you will find out about the cultural significance of the event and explore the inner workings of the event management. Min age 14.

Careers in the Allied Health Professions (NHS)

<https://www.s4snextgen.org/schools/opportunitiesv2/ViewOpportunity/id/1322>

3 June Closing **30 April**

Join Yeovil District Hospital and Somerset NHS on the 3rd June between 9:30 - 12:30 to find out more about careers in the Allied Health Professions (AHPs) and working in the NHS. Min age 14.

Careers in Sustainability (Eco-Schools)

<https://www.s4snextgen.org/schools/opportunitiesv2/ViewOpportunity/id/1354>

1-2 June Closing **30 April**

Using our 'Seven Steps' over two half days Eco-Schools will show students how to introduce, manage and promote eco-action in school and the local community in order to achieve the Eco-Schools Green Flag award. Min age 14.

Careers in Advertising and Marketing (Ogilvy)

<https://uptree.co/events/ogilvy/153774323/>

20 May 2021 Closes **1 May**

For students in Year 12/13. Ogilvy is one of the biggest advertising, marketing and public relations agency in the world. They design and run global advertising campaigns for some of the world's most recognisable companies such as Samsung, Aldi, KFC, Adidas and Dove

Careers in Property

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

19 – 22 July Closing **15 May**

For Year 12. A four day, fully funded residential course at Henley Business School, University of Reading. For students considering a career in property. All food, accommodation and travel costs covered.

Virtual Work Experience in Charity Work (WEA)

<https://www.s4snextgen.org/schools/opportunitiesv2/ViewOpportunity/id/1112>

21 – 25 June Closing **11 June**

The WEA is dedicated to bringing education to communities. Students choose from the following departments: Education; Business Development; Volunteering; Digital Marketing. Min age 14.

Careers in CyberSecurity (GCHQ)

<https://uptree.co/events/gchq/2222116541/>

13 July 2021 Closes **mid June**.

For students in Year 12/13. Panel Q&A, Speed Networking, Cyber Security interactive activity.

Virtual Work Experience in Finance/Consultancy (E&Y and KPMG)

https://www.ey.com/en_uk/careers/students/programmes/schools/ey-business-academy

For Year 12. Paid Business Academy has been designed to give an insight to finance.

<https://www.kpmgcareers.co.uk/apprentice/discovery-work-experience/>

For Year 13. Min predicted grades 104 UCAS points. Criteria applies.

WORK EXPERIENCE – NON INTERACTIVE PLACEMENTS

Work Experience in Engineering (Hinkley Point C)

<https://careers.startprofile.com/page/hpc-virtualworkexperience>

Take a brief from the team and come up with a response to real project issues. On completion you will receive a certificate which you can use in CVs and future applications.

Work Experience in Finance

<https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/school-jobs/virtual-classroom.html>

PwC Virtual Classroom for Years 10 and 13. Combines both live and pre-recorded sessions.

The Forage Virtual Work Experience Programmes

<https://www.theforage.com/>

Virtual work experience in law, consulting, technology, finance and marketing.

Virtual Tours

<https://www.icanbea.org.uk/virtual-tours/>

Virtual tours around different businesses.

Work Experience in Medicine

www.bsmsoutreach.thinkific.com

Virtual medical work experience at Brighton and Sussex Medical School

<https://www.rcgp.org.uk/training-exams/discover-general-practice/observe-gp.aspx>

An interactive video platform providing insight into the role of a GP and the wider primary care team.

Work Experience in Digital Media

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

Virtual Work Experience at a 'digital transformation' agency. Students will actively work with different departments on a project, helping to solve problems and complete real-life tasks.

'The 9 to 5 with Stacey Dooley'

www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/p06zhf9j/the-nine-to-five-with-stacey-dooley

'Rhod Gilbert's Work Experience'

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b00zf3m1/rhod-gilberts-work-experience>

Programmes showing people undertaking experience in work places including catering, care, zoo, construction, farming, navy, hairdressing, firefighting, police, vet, rugby coaching, journalism and music.

RESEARCHING JOB SECTORS

Self-Employment, Enterprise and Entrepreneurship

Free course on how to start and run a business

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/starting-a-business-1>

Careers in Bristol (WORKS Careers Resources)

<https://www.bristol.works/remotelearning>

Key industries in Bristol: engineering, sport, environment, nature and science, TV and Film, construction

Speakers for Schools Virtual Careers Talks

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/inspiration/vtalks/vtalks-video-library/>

Library of inspiring talks by industry experts. Searchable by age group and interest.

Careers in Psychology

Educational Psychology: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nm1RMGac28>

Careers in Creative Industries

<https://discovercreative.careers/#/> courses, competitions and activities around the creative sector.

Careers in Music

<https://www.socialdistancingfestival.com/>

A great resource to access lots of amazing live-streamed performances and music talks.

Careers in Social Care

<https://sfca.re/2Veuu3X> Information and resources to investigate social care as a career choice.

Careers in Healthcare

<https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/explore-roles>

<https://www.stepintothenhhs.nhs.uk/>

<https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/FindYourCareer>

Info from RUH Bath

Work Experience: https://www.ruh.nhs.uk/careers/work_experience.asp?menu_id=5d

Careers Resources Page: https://www.ruh.nhs.uk/careers/careers_resources.asp?menu_id=5d

Careers in Science

Big Bang 2020 - Downloadable content <https://www.digitalbigbang.co.uk/>

Careers in Cyber Security

<https://cyberschool.ac/>

Free to attend, live & online cyber security school for school pupils around the world.

Careers in Construction/Engineering

<https://www.goconstruct.org/learn-about-construction/find-the-role-for-you/ultimate-quiz/>

Fun quiz to find which role in construction suits you best.

Pathways into Engineering

<https://mailchi.mp/successatschool/careers-in-engineering-your-complete-guide-1277051>