

Careers@Keswick: Thursday 4th May 2023

Hi everyone,

May the 4th be with you!



We are really getting to the pointy end of the school year for our Year 11 and 13 students as they enter their formal exam period. All the very best to them and to you!

We will miss the students leaving us at the end of the year, and wish them well with their future choices. Remember that we are always here if they need a helping hand further down the line, and we also love having them come back to talk to our present students.

Hopefully they have decided what they will be doing in September, but if any are still unsure and need a little more help and advice, please encourage them to come and see me.

For the rest of school, the summer term is one of lots of different and fun opportunities. May the sun shine on everyone!

All of the information in this bulletin has already been sent out to the relevant students, so please encourage your daughter/son to regularly (daily for Years 10 – 13's!) check their school Google emails.

Don't forget to head over to the school website for further careers information:

<https://www.keswick.cumbria.sch.uk/careers-education>

All the past term's Careers Bulletins are there, as well as a special Parents' section. If you feel it is missing anything, pop me an email and I will get onto it.

I can be contacted on melanieavery@keswick.cumbria.sch.uk if you have any further questions.

Thomas Armstrong Level 2 Apprenticeships (Year 11)

Bench Joiner: Level 2 (Flimby, Maryport)

Supply Chain Operative: Level 2 (Workington)

All Year 11 students have been emailed this information. The details of each apprenticeship are attached.

ATOS Level 3 Apprenticeships (Years 11 – 13)

Atos are currently recruiting 2 x Level 3 apprentices. Both roles are based out of their office at Westlakes Science Park, nr Whitehaven. Successful applicants will work on the Sellafield Service Desk – a way to start a career in I.T. and digital technology.

To find out more and apply go to one or both of the following links:

Atos Jobs Board: [1st Line Support Engineer Apprentice \(atos.net\)](https://atos.net)

National Apprenticeship Service: [1st Line Support Engineer Apprentice - Find an apprenticeship \(findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk\)](https://findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk)

If you have any queries, desislava.lacheva@atos.net is the first point of contact.

Natterjack Creator Content Apprenticeship (Whitehaven) (Years 11 – 13)

Whitehaven-based apprenticeship on offer.

Natterjack are looking for a talented Content Creator Apprentice to join their team at their digital marketing agency based in West Cumbria. As a Content Creator, they will be responsible for developing and executing creative content strategies for their clients across various digital platforms. Apply via the following link: [Natterjack Marketing | Content Creator Apprentice](#)

Level 6 Healthcare Science Practitioner Degree Apprenticeship (Year 13)

A job opportunity has arisen within the West Cumberland Nuclear Medicine Department for a Level 6 Degree Apprenticeship Healthcare Science Practitioner. This would be ideal for any students interested in science wishing to pursue a career working in the NHS imaging patients in the Nuclear Medicine department at West Cumberland Hospital. The degree would be funded through the NHS whilst learning on the job.

The link below should take applicants through to the apprenticeship advertisement <https://beta.jobs.nhs.uk/candidate/jobadvert/C9262-23-0051>

Central London Hospital Work Experience Camp (Year 10 – 13)

This full week of application help will include targeted exam support, hands-on experience in a hospital setting and interview help, led by a team of real doctors and application experts.

Students will get:

- real insights into a medicine career, with thought-provoking prompts.
- a motivating, supportive group learning environment.
- learn from real doctors, and learn real life skills ahead of their course.
- help with their UCAT, BMAT and interviews.
- stay in central London and meet other medical applicants!

This intensive summer camp is a great option for students looking for a boost of help. Students can pick a full week option with all accommodation and food included, or choose to come for just the days that they need most support on.

This experience carries a cost.

NHS Virtual Work Experience (Years 9 – 13)

Springpod are now accepting applications for their Healthcare Virtual Work Experience for 14-18 year olds who live in the North East and North Cumbria.

These are for students interested in gaining experience in the health and social care sector.

[Springpod](#) have a range of on-demand virtual work experience programmes that students can complete at a time that is convenient for them. Students work at their own pace so they can fit this in around their schedule. The programmes will take approximately 10 hours and there are 6 programmes to choose from including:

[The Allied Health Professions](#)

[Care and Support](#)

[Nursing and Midwifery](#)

[Pharmacy](#)

[Healthcare Science](#)

[Social Work](#)

Students can apply and get started straightaway. They will hear from those working in the industry and complete tasks and activities that will help them understand the different pathways available. They will gain experience that will impress on future applications and importantly they will be able to decide whether or not this is a career they wish to pursue. If your son/daughter is considering a health/medicine/social care career it is essential to be aware of how different professions work together and this will be an ideal opportunity to learn about the NHS team.

To apply, students can view all of the programmes on this [page](#). They will need to [create](#) a Springpod account and then simply click apply and they will receive the link to join. Their programmes will appear on their Springpod dashboard under 'My Programmes'.

Students can do as many as they like so why not try a few professions and see which one is for them.

Get into Law Virtual Conference (Years 10 – 12)

More dates have been offered for this conference so if your daughter/son missed out last time see below for more dates and the link to find out more.

The next conferences are on:

Saturday 13th May (9:30am - 2pm)

Sunday 14th May (9:30am - 2pm)

Saturday 10th June (9:30am - 2pm)

Sunday 11th June (9:30am - 2pm)

Registration link: <https://lawmentor.org.uk/product/get-into-law-conference/>

PwC Virtual Insight Programme (Year 11 – 12)

PwC have reopened applications for their **Virtual Insight Programme**, taking place **24-26 July 2023**. Open to **Year 11 and 12 students**, the 3-day experience is designed to give students an insight into PwC: their lines of service, their culture, the work they do and how they can join as a school leaver. They'll have the opportunity to engage with their people and ask questions so that they can make informed decisions about their next steps. They'll receive guidance and top tips on the application process, equipping them with the skills they need to thrive in the workplace.

Further information, including full eligibility criteria can be found in the **job description** [here](#). The **deadline to apply is 19 May 2023**.

Teesside University Nursing and Midwife Conference (Year 12)

Nursing & Midwifery Conference 7 June 2023

Join them on campus for the nursing & midwifery conference aimed at Year 12 students considering studying in this fields in higher education.

The day will include external speakers from the NHS, scenario-based interactive sessions lead by academic tutors. They will also have an informative session on applying for a health course, a Q&A with clinicians and staff. A real opportunity to find out from the health professionals what studying in this field could be like.

Jimmy Choo Open Day (All students)

Prof. Jimmy Choo's Academy for Emerging Designers

Discover JCA | London Fashion Academy's Open Day in Mayfair! Explore our specialized programs for design entrepreneurs, including degree programs, short courses, and summer schools that equip students with the skills to succeed in fashion design. Indulge in our opulent campus and immerse yourself in the fashion industry.

Apply through the following link: <https://www.jca.ac.uk/events-and-open-days>

The Explore Essay Competition (Years 7 – 13)

Explore are inviting students from **Years 7-9** to write an **800-word response** and students from **Years 10-13** to write a **2,000-word response** to **one** of the following essay questions:

- **Should the purpose of charities be to make themselves redundant?**
- **Should billionaires be expected to engage in philanthropy?**
- **Discuss, in detail, the work of a charitable organisation. In what ways have they succeeded? What could they have done better?**

Explore encourage responses which approach these questions from a variety of perspectives – bring in History, Philosophy, Politics, Economics, Science, Law or any other subject or discipline. Just remember to answer the question!

All entries should be emailed to explore@admin.ox.ac.uk by 11:59 BST on 12th May 2023. Please include your **name**, the **name of your school** and your **school year**.

Entries will be reviewed by an expert judging panel. There will be two age categories: Years 7-9 and Years 10-13. The winners will receive £100 and the runners-up will receive £50 in Amazon vouchers.

To find out more visit:

<https://outreachonlineblog.wordpress.com/2023/03/31/the-big-oxplore-essay-competition-is-back-and-bigger-than-ever/>

Insight into University (Years 11 – 12)

Is your daughter/son enjoying maths or science subjects and considering studying a STEM subject at university? EDT and Industrial Cadets are offering an accredited virtual summer school which can help them decide which degree course might be right for them and also enhance their UCAS application. It will provide them with an opportunity to interact with university academics, admissions tutors, current undergraduates, and STEM professionals in exclusive live sessions.

With the mix of live sessions, recorded lectures and hands-on practical STEM activities and projects set by leading UK universities and global STEM companies, students will have a unique opportunity to **access all this in one place**, pick-and-choose subjects that interest them and do as many as they wish at their own pace over the summer.

Here is a selection of what's on offer this summer:

- Life Sciences from University of Warwick
- Materials Science from University of Cambridge
- Maths from Lancaster University
- Food Science from University of Nottingham
- Chemistry and Drug Design from Kingston University
- Chemical Engineering from UCL
- Forensic Science from Abertay University
- Engineering from University of Sheffield
- Computer Science from University of Liverpool
- And lots more!

Apply today: <https://www.etrust.org.uk/insight-into-university>

Get into Midwifery Virtual Conference (Years

GET INTO NURSING CONFERENCE - Saturday 3rd June (9:30am - 12:30pm)

Registration link: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/national-healthcare-insight-conference/>

For students interested in nursing, Chief Nurse Mentor Abbie Dickinson will host a virtual Get into Nursing conference on Saturday 3rd June.

Abbie will break down UCAS for nurses and what applicants need to get admitted to a highly popular Students just need to click the link below and enrol on the conference of their choice. As it's important to hear from a variety of healthcare perspectives, they are more than welcome to attend both!

<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/national-healthcare-insight-conference/>

Tickets are £10 to cover administrative and technological costs.

Allied Healthcare Virtual Conference (Years 9 – 12)

Students still have time to enrol on the next NHS Allied Healthcare Virtual Work Experience session! This is an opportunity for students to build a strong portfolio of healthcare experience and gain insight into the NHS interdisciplinary team. No previous experience is necessary!

Registrations for the next session close on Friday. We encourage all students considering a career in the NHS to book as soon as possible using the link below:

<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/>

The next session will take place virtually on **Sunday 7th May**.

Registration Link: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/>

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. They will gain a unique insight into how patients interact with a variety of healthcare professionals and what it's like to work in an NHS multidisciplinary team. This includes:

- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Dietetics
- Radiography
- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Pharmacy

Attendees will interact with healthcare professionals throughout each day. This will empower students to make informed career decisions and demonstrate their commitment to healthcare in their UCAS applications.

Once they've registered, students will be emailed links to their virtual work experience portals.

Students are awarded a Work Experience Certificate for every session they complete. Those who complete the full 5-month programme will be awarded a Highly Commended Reference from the Presidents of Allied Healthcare Mentor. These are fantastic additions to their CVs and UCAS applications!

Places are £10 a session to cover administrative and technological costs.

<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>

Getting into Medicine Conference (Year 10 – 12)

With the UCAS deadline in October, and a lot to get through in their application, it's very important that students attend the next FREE, VIRTUAL Get into Medicine conference. There is still time to begin their application, but it's important for them to understand the application process as closely as possible.

Getting into medicine is as much about working tactically as it is about working hard, so we encourage all aspiring doctors to register below as soon as they can.

GET INTO MEDICINE CONFERENCE (FREE, VIRTUAL) <https://medicmentor.co.uk/medicine-national-healthcare-weekend/>

Dr Laura and Dr Hannah will guide students through the UCAS application process to medicine. This includes personal statements, UCAT, interview skills, scholarships, and what they need to make their medical application stand out.

Saturday 7th May (9:30am - 3:30pm)

Sunday 28th May (9:30am - 3:30pm)

Registration link: <https://medicmentor.co.uk/medicine-national-healthcare-weekend/>

Latest Parent Apprenticeship Guides (Parents)

Visit the link below to download the **April 2023 Parent Apprenticeship Pack**, which includes highlights from national apprenticeship week 2023, gives insight into what life is like as an apprentice and shares guidance on career starter apprenticeships.

<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/influencers/resources-for-parents>

The Amazing Apprenticeship Parent Perspective (Parents)

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/the-parent-perspective-podcast/>

“The Parent Perspective” is an exciting podcast series for parents and carers, helping them to support their children with careers advice and guidance. Series 2 is bigger and better than ever, led by new host, Rachel Burden!

Together with ***Not Going to Uni, Amazing Apprenticeships*** want to make sure that they are supporting parents to feel informed and confident in providing careers support and guidance to their child, so that they ultimately make the best decisions for them.

Through the podcast Rachel and guests offer a fun and informative space for listeners to:

- Explore which careers are available today
- Showcase the experiences of interesting and diverse role models
- Provide real-time insights into how the world of work is changing
- Each episode Rachel speaks to a diverse mix of parents, bringing their burning questions to expert speakers from the careers world. Together they uncover practical solutions and informative answers, to help you and your child make informed decisions on those all-important next steps.

Last bulletin

University of Central Lancashire Upcoming Veterinary and Bio-Veterinary Events and Links: (Year 11 – 12)

Wednesday 5 July 2023 – Veterinary Medicine Application Top Tips

<https://www.uclan.ac.uk/events/listing/veterinary-medicine-application-top-tips>

Wednesday 13 September 2023 - Veterinary Medicine Application Top Tips

<https://www.uclan.ac.uk/events/listing/veterinary-medicine-application-top-tips-1>

Veterinary Medicine and Bio-veterinary Sciences Open Day scheduled on Saturday 2nd September 2023. The link is now live and available for students to book on the Open

Day <https://www.uclan.ac.uk/open-days> .

Vet course pages, subject page and school page <https://www.uclan.ac.uk/schools/veterinary-medicine>

Sadler Wells National Youth Dance Company

FREE workshops will be running across the country and online from April – July 2023, and a final audition at Sadler’s Wells at the end of July.

The first step to joining the company is attending a workshop (either in person or online).

<https://nydc.org.uk/how-to-join-nydc-2/>

Oxbridge Resources (Years 10 – 13)

I have a couple of books in my office for students to borrow should they be interested in finding out more about applying to Oxford or Cambridge.

Students should drop by my office if they are interested.

Police Cadets: (Years 8 - 12)

Recruitment for Police Cadets will be opening **on 3rd April 2023**

Further information can be found on their website:

<https://www.cumbria.police.uk/careers/volunteers/cumbria-police-cadets>

Assurance Careers at EY (Years 9 – 13? And Parents)

EY has an interactive digital platform available for students and parents to play in and explore. Discover immersive adventure zones and explore all the benefits of an Assurance career with EY. Get a taste for the journey in EY open zones and earn EY career badges — and when new zones are unlocked, pop back to collect even more.

Apprenticeships:

Lakes College Apprenticeship Academy (Years 11 – 13)

<https://www.lcwc.ac.uk/courses/apprenticeship-academy/>

Career Days Virtual Work Experience Days (Years 10 – 12)

Upcoming Career Day career and work experience virtual days taking place online over the next few months.

Law Career Day - Saturday 6th May 2023

Computer Science Career Day - Saturday 20th May 2023

Performing Arts Career Day - Saturday 27th May 2023

Students can visit www.careerdays.co.uk to join a session in their field of interest and will receive a certificate at the end of the day confirming their work experience.

There is a cost for these days.

Parents:

The Amazing Apprenticeship Parent Perspective (Parents)

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/the-parent-perspective-podcast/>

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Exclusive Parents’ Guide Website (Parents)

As a parent or carer, you know that the decisions your children make at sixteen and eighteen have a significant impact on their future success and happiness and you want to help them make the right choices. **Parents’ Guides** guides are written for parents to help you understand all your children’s options so you can give them the right advice at the right time.

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

Parent Apprenticeship Guides (Parents)

Please follow the link to get the latest apprenticeship information pack for parents

<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/influencers/resources-for-parents#>

Uni Taster Days Parents University Guide (Parents)

The UniTasterDays **Parents’ Guide to University** has been released. Editorial has been provided by over 40 colleagues at universities and schools and colleges throughout the UK, on topics including student finance, university applications, university events, student wellbeing and more.

<https://www.unitasterdays.com/parents/>

Gresham College’s Free Public Lectures (Years 10 – 13)

Gresham College’s free hybrid public lectures (running since 1597) are delivered by world-leading professors in the arts and sciences, including Professors Chris Whitty (Medicine), Sarah Hart (Maths) Leslie Thomas QC (Law) and Edith Hall (Classics).

For students they are a resource for developing subject knowledge and skills, careers advice, EPQ projects and UCAS statements. There is a searchable back catalogue of 2,500+ free digital lectures on their website ordered by school subject at <https://www.gresham.ac.uk/schools> .

Oxplore (Years 7 – 13)

Oxplore is a digital resource from the University of Oxford. As the ‘Home of Big Questions’, it aims to challenge those from 11 to 18 years with debates and ideas that go beyond what is covered in the classroom. Big questions tackle complex ideas across a wide range of subjects and reflect the kind of critical thinking students undertake at university.

Their goal is to raise aspirations, promote broader thinking and encourage intellectual curiosity, so everything you see is underpinned by the latest discoveries and research from the University of Oxford. Follow the link: <https://explore.org/>

PathwayCTM Programme (Years 9 – 13 and Parents!)

Find out more about the programme by watching this video: <https://youtu.be/oava9iJcQjk>

Students sign up here: <https://pathwayctm.com/register/>

They also run events for **parents**, so sign up to their Parent newsletter: <https://pathwayctm.com/parents/>

Check out the video library for recordings of past events on a variety of subjects.

<https://pathwayctm.com/video-library/>

Springpod Work Experience, Taster Days and Broadcasts: (Years 11 – 13)

<https://www.springpod.co.uk/virtual-work-experience-programmes>

<https://advice.springpod.com/series/learn-lounge>

Speakers for School Virtual Work Experience Programmes and Video Library (Years 10 – 13)

<https://www.s4snextgen.org/>

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