



Welcome to this term's Careers Newsletter! As we look forward to spring it's the perfect time to focus on raising aspirations and helping our pupils reach their full potential. We are committed to providing the guidance, resources, and opportunities that will inspire young people to explore a wide range of career paths and develop the skills they need for a bright future. There are lots of events taking place this term that we hope will raise aspirations and inspire our pupils to consider their future career and plan their next steps

January

13th January

Year 11 visit to Hull University



27th January

ASK team will be visiting to give an Apprenticeship information session to Year 11s



30th January

East Riding College will be visiting to talk to year 10s about their post 16 offer



February



10th-14th February

National Apprenticeship Week. We have a range of activities throughout the week including:

- ♦ The Big Apprenticeship Assembly
- ♦ Meet the Apprentice Q&A session
- ♦ A-Z of Apprenticeships challenge

13th February

Barclays Lifeskills are visiting to help year 10s explore personal strengths for employment



24th February

ASK follow up session to provide application support to year 11s applying for apprentice-ships





Hull College are visiting to talk to year 10s about their post 16 offer



March

3rd-7th March is National Careers Week—Lots of activity throughout the week including various guest speakers

11th March Barclays Lifeskills are talking to year 11s about behaviours for work19th March Careers Day

SPOTLIGHT ON:

Apprenticeships



Apprenticeships offer a fantastic opportunity for young people to gain hands-on experience while earning a salary and working towards a qualification. This practical route into the workforce allows students to learn valuable skills in a wide range of industries. Apprenticeships appeal to those who prefer learning on the job rather than traditional classroom environments, however all include some academic study and usually require some attendance at a college or training centre. They can be challenging as there is a need to juggle work responsibilities with course work, assignments and assessments, however the rewards are significant because they develop expertise in the chosen area.

Apprenticeships are highly sought after and finding and applying for one can be a challenging process. Parental support can make a significant difference to a child's application experience. If your child's preferred post 16 progression option is an apprenticeship you can help by encouraging them to research various industries and apprenticeship opportunities to find a field that aligns with their interests and strengths. There are some useful websites listed below that you can use to search for vacancies. Its important to remember that apprenticeships are real jobs and that availability varies throughout the year and depending on your location. Regular searches will help you become familiar with local employers that offer them.

The application process will require a CV or application form and if short listed will usually involve an interview. You can help by supporting your child to think about their strengths and skills and helping them prepare a good CV that shows their enthusiasm for their chosen industry. You could help practice interview skills at home by asking common interview questions. Support may be needed with organisation, time-management, tracking application deadlines and follow-ups.

Apprenticeships can be very competitive so be prepared to persevere and keep applying as it's unusual to be successful with a first application. Being unsuccessful can impact on self-esteem and your support and encouragement can help your child to feel positive and motivated to try again. Its advisable to identify a back up plan and look at what other routes could lead to a qualification. Exploring alternatives such as college courses will help your child know they have options and give them the confidence that they will achieve their career goals which ever route they take.

USEFUL WEBSITES

Parent Zone - Amazing Apprenticeships

<u>Apprenticeships: Hints & Tips for Parents & Carers - Amazing Apprenticeships</u>

Becoming an apprentice (apprenticeships.gov.uk)

Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

https://yorkshireapprenticeshipservice.co.uk/

https://talentview.org/construction

https://successatschool.org/jobs

https://www.logonmoveon.co.uk/courses/employer-apprenticeship-search





I'M INTERESTED IN APPRENTICESHIPS...WHAT NOW?



1. GENERAL RESEARCH

Start by researching what apprenticeships are and the wide range available.

Visit our website: https://amazingapprenticeships.com/ and explore our resources, films, webinars, games and more.

EXPLORE:



Find our Rapid Reads (quick guides to everything apprenticeship related) here: https://tinyurl.com/3z4rfttn

RAPID READS:



2. SPECIFIC RESEARCH

Look on the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE) website and search for apprenticeship standards using keywords that interest you, e.g. theatre, finance, sport, health:



Visit the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE) website here: https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/

THE INSTITUTE:



3. VACANCIES RESEARCH

Look at current vacancies on the Government website, Find an Apprenticeship (FAA) to see what is available. Read the job adverts to help you know what employers are looking for. Create an account and set up alerts for new vacancies that fit your criteria.





Visit Find An Apprenticeship here:

https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

FIND AN APPRENTICESHIP:



4. EMPLOYER RESEARCH

Research employers that offer apprenticeships. Don't discount any companies without looking into them properly!

If an employer you're interested in mentions knowledge, skills, qualities or experience they require, think about how you could show you meet their criteria, or what you could do now to ensure you do in the future.



Find out where the position will be based and start to look at transport options. Could you get there everyday?

5. GET READY TO APPLY

It's never too early to start getting ready to apply for apprenticeships. Read up on the different processes so that you can be ready to apply when you see a vacancy that interests you.

Read our Step-by-step guide to applying for an apprenticeship so you know what applying for an apprenticeship involves https://tinyurl.com/4c3bvd9r

Use our Rapid Reads to guide you through making a CV, writing a covering letter, creating a LinkedIn profile and more https://tinyurl.com/3z4rfttn

HOW TO APPLY:

RAPID READS:







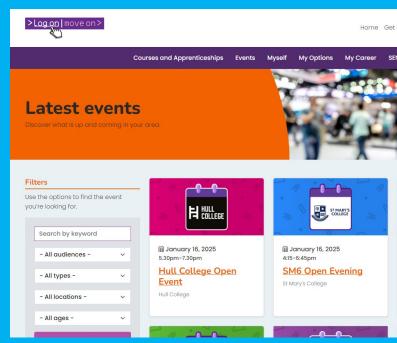


Dates for your Diary

COLLEGE AND TRAINING PROVIDER OPEN EVENTS

There are numerous open events taking place throughout the spring term. If your child is year 10 or 11 visit https://www.logonmoveon.co.uk/events to find details of your local colleges open events and book a visit. It's a good idea to visit more than one to ensure you have knowledge of all the options available. This will help your child make an informed decision about which post 16 option is the right one for them











CAREER OF THE WEEK: Tree Surgeon

What does a tree surgeon do?

A tree surgeon is a professional who cares for trees by pruning, trimming, and removing branches. They diagnose tree health, handle emergency situations like fallen trees, and may assist with planting and stump removal. They also ensure trees comply with preservation regulations, and their work contributes to tree health, safety, and aesthetics in various environments including, urban areas, parks, and private properties.



A tree surgeon requires specialist knowledge, skills, and equipment to carry out tasks safely and effectively including, for example a driving license and training in how to safely use ropes and chainsaws. A head for heights is also vital!

A tree surgeon may work for a local authority, a private company, or work for themselves as an independent contractor providing tree care services.

What can I expect to earn as a tree surgeon?

The starting salary for a tree surgeon is in the region of £18,000 to £21,000 per year. This could increase to an average of around £26,000 and, with experience, could reach up to £35,000. Some experienced and qualified tree surgeons earn more than £45,000 per annum.

What subjects should I study to become a tree surgeon?

There are no set academic requirements to become a tree surgeon, but qualifications in maths, English, biology, chemistry, geography, design & technology, IT, and business studies could all be helpful.

How can I start my career as a tree surgeon?

There are several ways that you could start your career as a tree surgeon. You could obtain work helping a qualified tree surgeon and then complete the relevant training and qualifications that you will need. You could also complete an apprenticeship, such as the Level 2 Arborist apprenticeship. Another way to become a tree surgeon is to complete a college course, such as the Level 2 Arboriculture or Level 3 Forestry and Arboriculture course, and then apply for work. You could also study a foundation degree, higher national diploma (HND) or degree in a relevant area, such as forestry, forestry management, arboriculture, or countryside management.

If you are looking to change career and become a tree surgeon, you could complete a relevant distance learning course and undertake volunteering work alongside your existing job.

To research local education and training opportunities that could lead to a career as a tree surgeon, visit our partner website www.logonmoveon.co.uk

Useful websites to find out more about a career as a tree surgeon:

The Arboricultural Association https://www.trees.org.uk/Careers

The Royal Forestry Society https://rfs.org.uk/careers/

Tree Surgeon https://www.lantra.co.uk/careers/JobProfile/JobProfileDetails/140

National Careers Service https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-profiles/tree-surgeon

Read about a wide range of careers types by visiting: https://skillshullandeastyorkshire.co.uk/career-of-the-week/



Parental Support with Career Education

Parents and carers play a vital role in helping children prepare for their future career. Most young people are unsure about which career path they would like to pursue and need support to learn about the world of work, the variety of careers available and the wide range of training and education options they can choose from There are several ways you can support your child at home by:

- Have open conversations about interests, strengths and passions and help them explore how these may connect to potential careers
- Encourage them to research different industries, attend career fairs and seek advice from professionals in areas they are curious about
- Take them to open events held by local colleges ands training providers so that they can learn more about post 16 options available to them.
- Talk to them about their strengths and what they are good at
- Help them create a personal email account, this will be needed for college and apprenticeship applications
- Identify opportunities for volunteering and work experience. These will add valuable insights into different fields and will help develop key transferrable skills

Useful websites

https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/careers-advice/helping-young-people-make-education-and-career-choices

Parents Advice for Career Conversations - Talking Futures

What are my options? (amazingapprenticeships.com)

October-2024-Choices-Magazine-1.pdf (amazingapprenticeships.com)

Logonmoveon

Careers - BBC Bitesize

Careerpilot: Plan your future work & study

Career Zones - Success at School

Start Your Perfect Career - Careers Advice - WorldSkills UK

icould - Career ideas and information for your future

My World of Work | My World of Work

Careers Advice and Help - Youth Employment UK

https://www.skillsforcareers.education.gov.uk/pages/young-people

<u>LifeSkills | Developing work and life skills (barclayslifeskills.com)</u>







