



The Ridgeway School
& Sixth Form College

CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

OPPORTUNITIES

Are you interested in a career in Animation, Video Game Art or Visual Effects? The creative industries account for 1 in 10 jobs in the UK. This future-proof path is in high-demand, and you could be too! Why not join Escape Studio's Open Day on Saturday 5th June to discover your creative career... Year 13, they still have spaces for this September!

International Women in Engineering Day 2021 - WES Bath are running a virtual event on 1st June at 6pm. The event aim is to bring together engineers at different stages of their careers to talk about their journey and any engineering heroes that inspired them as well as the engineering heroes they aspire to be. You can register here.

Zurich have opened their apprenticeship recruitment, there are lots of opportunities across the UK in a broad range of sectors. Check it out and apply here.

UK University & Apprenticeship Search Virtual Fair is taking place next week on Wednesday 26th May from 12 - 6pm. The event for students in Years 13, 12, 11 and 10, will feature a vast range of exhibitors and vital webinars. See the list of exhibitors who've signed up so far and the webinar timetable here. Students, teachers and parents can register for a free place here. You can use this activity sheet to help you fully engage and get the most out of the event.

Here are updated Virtual Work Experience opportunities from Speakers for Schools: Access Creative | Weston Hospital | Network N | Agilisys | Hewlett Packard | NHS | IBM | Bishop Fleming | DSTL | LiveWest | Superdry... Some opportunities are only available in specific areas so please check the criteria before you apply.

JOB OF THE WEEK

Insurance underwriter
Insurance underwriters decide whether to insure a person or company, and set out the details of insurance policies. People get insurance on their house, car, pet or holiday so that if anything goes wrong, they do not lose their money.

You can earn up to £100,000 and expect to work 36-380 hours + per week. It is expected that there will be 4% more Paralegal jobs by 2025.

You can read more here.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

National Living Wage in the UK has increased from 1st April 2021. It is now:

Age 23+ - £8.91ph
Age 21-22 - £8.20ph
Age 18-20 - £6.56ph
Age 16-17 - £4.62ph
Apprentices - £4.30ph

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If you need any further information, advice, guidance or support, please email Miss Tranter
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Please keep checking The Ridgeway School Website and Careers VLE (One Note) for more events and information



OPPORTUNITIES

You can also find Virtual Work Experience Opportunities on the Springpod website, the next sessions are running during the first week of June and the deadline to apply is Monday 24th May.

Preparing For Your Future is a free online course to help 14-16 year olds build skills and careers confidence. There are different courses for different age groups, Year 10/11 can use [this link](#) and Year 12 and 13 can use [this link](#).

Here is an updated list of talks from Apprentice Nation

- [Tuesday 25th May at 7pm](#) - Destress with Ray BLK and discover coping mechanisms to help you with your mental health during difficult times.
- [Tuesday 1st June at 7pm](#) - Join IAMDDDB and explore different education routes and skills needed to support your career choices in this free webinar.

UniTasterDays currently have 1649 university events live on their website. Check them out [here](#).

Not Going To Uni currently have 1590 apprenticeship opportunities on their website. Search, find and apply [here](#).

Study Higher are running an Animal and Wildlife Experience for Year 10-11 students with an interest in working with animals. The free event will be an in person event on Saturday 26 June, 9.30am - 3.30pm, at Cirencester College and the Royal Agricultural University. For more information or to register your interest, please visit the [website](#).

Flashpoint Swindon are looking for cafe and customer service staff, hours are weekends and holidays so good for students! Check it out and apply [here](#).

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

Zurich

"Are you ready to create a brighter future together? At Zurich our brand purpose is exactly that, to create a brighter future together for our customers, our partners, employees and the planet. Zurich offers a range of insurance products and services, delivered through professional brokers and intermediaries, our workplace partners and directly to consumers. These help people protect their families, their possessions and their businesses." You can read more [here](#).

UNI SPOTLIGHT

University of Leeds

Uni Ranking: 16th

"The University of Leeds is one of the largest higher education institutions in the UK and a member of the Russell Group of research-intensive universities. Renowned globally for its teaching and research across a diverse range of disciplines, there are a wealth of opportunities for students. Its single-site campus is like a small town, just a short walk away from the city centre."