

Monthly Careers, Enrichment, & Work Experience Opportunities for Parents and Carers – October 2026

Virtual Medical & Dental Work Experience!

Aspiring Doctors or Dentists? Don't miss the final opportunity this year to join our **Virtual Work Experience Programme** (6-month Medical or 4-month Dental).

How to get access:

Attend one of the **FREE LIVE Virtual Conferences**:

Medicine:

- Sat 24th Oct (9am-1:30pm)
- Sun 25th Oct (9am-1:30pm)

[Get Into Medicine Conference Sign Up - Medic Mentor](#)

Why join?

- Insight into careers in Medicine
- Guidance on personal statements, interviews, UCAT, and scholarships
- Leadership & Awards programmes
- Receive a '**Highly Commended**' reference to boost your UCAS application

Requirements:

- Camera & microphone
- Parent/guardian present

Year 10 Work Experience Opportunity - British Army

Year 10 students who have not yet secured a work experience placement may wish to consider this exciting opportunity with the British Army.

The **British Army Work Experience Programme** offers a unique chance to develop valuable skills including **teamwork, leadership, confidence, resilience and problem-solving** in a structured and supervised environment. Students can experience a taste of Army life while learning about the wide range of careers available.

- **FREE 4-day residential work experience programme**
- Open to **students aged 14-18**
- Opportunity to develop employability and life skills
- A **1-day placement** may also be available when the 4-day programme is full or unavailable

If you are still looking for a placement, this could be a great way to gain meaningful workplace experience and enhance your CV.

For more information and to explore available opportunities, visit the **ASE Careers Team** or speak to Miss Kalu (Careers Advisor)- [Army Work Experience for Students | BASE](#)

University of Warwick Work Experience Opportunity - Year 10

The University of Warwick will once again be offering its popular work experience programme for students. This is an excellent opportunity for those interested in gaining an insight into university life and exploring future career pathways.

Two work experience streams will be available:

- **Engineering** (30 places)
- **Creative Arts** (20 places)

There is **nothing students need to do at this stage**, as applications will open in **January**. There will be an application process involving the **student, parent/carer, and school**.

Year 10 students: If you are interested in applying for either of these work experience opportunities, please let me know **as soon as possible** so that we can begin planning and ensure you receive all the relevant information when applications open.

Places are limited and competition is likely to be high, so expressing your interest early is encouraged. For further information or to register your interest, please contact **Miss Kalu in the Careers Office** at Chinyere.nnaukwu-kalunkwocha@hccmac.co.uk

Business & Law October Half-Term Virtual Work Experience

For students interested in Business, Law, apprenticeships or professional careers

Students are invited to take part in the **Browne Jacobson Law and Business October Half-Term Virtual Work Experience**, a free online event taking place on **Tuesday 27 October, 9:00am - 4:15pm**. This unique virtual experience gives students the opportunity to hear directly from leading figures in law and business, including judges, barristers, solicitors, business leaders, apprentices and trainees. It is an excellent way to explore career pathways, gain valuable employability advice and strengthen future applications.

Highlights include:

- Keynote speaker **Linda Plant** from BBC's *The Apprentice*
- Insights from senior legal professionals, including former Supreme Court President **Lady Hale**
- Information on university, apprenticeship and graduate routes into law and business
- Practical advice on applications, CVs and interviews
- A full day of recognised virtual work experience to include on CVs, personal statements and future applications

Date: Tuesday 27 October

Time: 9:00am - 4:15pm

Cost: Free

Location: Online

Register here: [Browne Jacobson October Half Term Law & Business Virtual Work Experience The FAIRE Programme Survey](#)

NavigATE Webinar: Apprenticeship Recruitment Process

 **12 November 2026** |  **3:30pm**

Considering an apprenticeship? Join this webinar to learn about the recruitment process, including applications, assessments, interviews, and top tips for success.

Ideal for students, parents, and carers interested in apprenticeship opportunities.

[Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

Apprenticeship Webinar: How to Search and Apply Successfully

Are you considering an apprenticeship after year 11? Join the **NavigATE: How to Search and Apply for Apprenticeships** webinar on **Wednesday 21 October, 3:30pm-4:15pm**.

The session will provide practical guidance on finding apprenticeship vacancies, completing strong applications, and understanding what employers are looking for. Guest speaker **Alex Cordery (Recruitment Delivery Manager - Early Careers, BAE Systems)** will share valuable insights and tips to help you stand out.

You'll learn:

- Where to find apprenticeship opportunities
- How to navigate application processes successfully
- Common mistakes to avoid
- What support and resources are available

The webinar will take place on **Zoom** and includes a live Q&A session.

 **Date:** Wednesday 21 October

 **Time:** 3:30pm-4:15pm

 **Location:** Online (Zoom)

 **Suitable for:** Students exploring apprenticeship opportunities

[NavigATE: How to search and apply for apprenticeships - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

Year 11 Careers Corner: Explore Your Post-16 Options

Choosing what to do after your GCSEs is an important decision, but there are now more exciting pathways available than ever before.

 A short **Post-16 Pathways Animation** is available to help you understand the different routes you can take after Year 11, including:

- A Levels
- T Levels
- Apprenticeships
- Vocational Qualifications
- Other education and training pathways

The animation is a great starting point for students who are beginning to think about their next steps and want to explore the opportunities available to them.

Watch the animation and explore your post-16 options to help plan your future with confidence:

[Your Post-16 Pathways Animation - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)



Year 11 Apprenticeship Opportunity: Insurance Claims Apprenticeship Programme 2027

Are you considering an apprenticeship after Year 13? Howden, a leading global insurance company, is recruiting for its **Insurance Claims Apprenticeship Programme 2027** in **Birmingham**.

- ✓ **Starting salary:** £23,000
- ✓ **Location:** Birmingham
- ✓ **Start date:** September 2027
- ✓ **Qualification:** Level 3 Insurance Apprenticeship
- ✓ **Permanent job from day one** with an 18-month development programme

As an apprentice, you will gain hands-on experience supporting customers with insurance claims, developing customer service, communication, problem-solving, and business skills while earning a salary and working towards a recognised qualification.

Entry requirements:

- GCSE Grade 4/C or above in English and Maths
- Right to work in the UK
- Have lived in the UK for the last 3 years

No previous insurance experience is required as full training is provided.

Application deadline: 13 November 2026

This is an excellent opportunity for students interested in business, finance, customer service, or professional careers after sixth form.

For more information and to apply: [Insurance Claims Apprenticeship Programme 2027 - Birmingham](#)



Face-to-Face Routes into STEM

Explore different pathways into STEM careers!

What is involved?

- **3 exciting days** of hands-on activities, campus tours & company visits.
- Try workshops, site tours & **hear from young apprentices and graduates.**
- Discover **future study options** & student life.
- Develop **presentation skills, team-building and social skills.**
- Enhance your **CV, Application Form and/or Personal Statement.**
- Achieve the **Bronze Industrial Cadet Award.**

Cost/Funding

- **FREE Fully Funded places** for your school
- Normal cost £195

How to apply or find out more

To apply, please visit our website [here](#) or scan the QR code!

Dates

- Wednesday 28th October - **Jaguar Land Rover CV3 4LF**
- Thursday 29th October - **Coventry College CV1 5DG**
- Friday 30th October - **Severn Trent Water CV1 2LZ**



Careers Event for students in year 11: Young Professionals October Half-Term Conferences

Looking to boost your employability and learn more about career opportunities after sixth form? The **Young Professionals Conferences** are taking place this October half term, offering students the chance to meet leading employers, develop key workplace skills, and build their professional networks.

📍 Birmingham (Business & STEM)

Tuesday 27 October | Aston Conference Centre

Choose from 1:30pm - 4:00pm or 3:00pm - 5:30pm

Students will have the opportunity to:

- Meet and network with top employers and recruiters
- Attend employer panels and career workshops
- Learn interview, CV, and assessment centre skills
- Gain insights into apprenticeships, internships, and graduate pathways
- Ask questions and hear directly from industry professionals

Employers include PwC, Goldman Sachs, Rolls-Royce, Coca-Cola, BDO, EDF, DWF, University of Birmingham, and more.

This is an excellent opportunity for students considering apprenticeships, university, or direct entry into the workplace.

Places are limited, so apply early to secure your spot: [Young Professionals: Conference Birmingham Survey](#)



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TRIAL DATES 12:00pm - 2:30pm

- Tuesday 27th October
- Tuesday 16th February
- Tuesday 22nd December
- Tuesday 30th March
- Tuesday 1st June

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Virtual Employability skills

Build skills and boost your confidence.

What can you expect from the day?

Programme Agenda

9:30-10:00 | Welcome & Introductions
Meet the Sainsbury's team & get started.
10:00-10:30 | About Sainsbury's - Guest Speaker
Discover Sainsbury's, retail & the industry.
10:30-11:00 | Meet the Team - Guest Speaker
Hear about opportunities & career journeys.
11:00-11:45 | Behaviour in the Workplace

11.45-12:30 | Lunch

12:30-1:15 | Career Pathways - Guest Speaker
Discover apprenticeships, placements & opportunities. Meet Early Careers team.
1:15-2:00 | Interview Preparation
Prepare yourself, STAR, research & standing out.
2:00-2:45 | Digital Awareness & Challenge
Put your skills into practice.
2:45-3:00 | Wrap-Up
Certificate presentation & close.

Register for ONE course date below:

Monday 26th October 2026	Register
Tuesday 27th October 2026	Register
Wednesday 28th October 2026	Register

Sainsbury's

ONLINE
SESSIONS
FOR YEARS
11, 12, 13

Employability Skills

Students will gain:

- ✓ Retail industry insight
- ✓ Explore careers at Sainsbury's
- ✓ Build practical employability skills
- ✓ Meet industry professionals
- ✓ Discover apprenticeships & career paths
- ✓ Boost confidence & workplace readiness

Target age group: Years 11, 12 & 13
Dates: Choose from three one-day courses over Oct 2026 half term



You have all been sent an invitation link for **Unifrog**, which has now replaced **JED**, you can use this to research your career interest. Please access the platform using your school email address.

If you have any questions or need support with applying for any of the opportunities listed above, please see **Miss Kalu, Careers Adviser**, during first break in her office, or email Chinyere.nnaukwu-kalunkwocha@hccmac.co.uk.