

St. Damian's Careers Update: 11th January 2021

Independent Careers Advice & Guidance – Positive Steps

If a pupil wishes to request a Careers appointment, please email our Careers Adviser:

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Year 11 College Applications – **Application Deadlines**

- Please ensure that applications are being completed and sent to colleges.
- Application deadlines are below.

Xaverian College	Friday 15 th January 2021
Ashton Sixth Form College	Friday 29 th January 2021
Tameside College	Apply online
Clarendon College	Apply online
Oldham College	Apply online
- Many congratulations to Y11 pupils who have already been offered places at college for Sept 2021.
- Well done to Y11 students who have already been offered places on apprenticeships.
- Please continue to work hard so that you achieve GCSE & BTEC grades which truly reflect your full potential.

Webinar for Aspiring Medical Students – **Wednesday 13th January 2021 at 7pm**

The next free webinar for aspiring medical students is on Wednesday, 13th January.

In this webinar, a 5th-year medical student Omolayo will be talking about her experience with medical school interviews and what she would do differently if she were to have the interview now.

Topic: What are the medical school interviews really like?

Date: Wednesday, Jan 13

Time: 07:00 PM (London time)

Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/3s3NDVJ>

If your students cannot make this time, the webinar will be available to watch on-demand on our YouTube channel the following day: <https://www.youtube.com/medicalprojectsofficial>

Free Access to online Careers Videos for Key Job Sectors

<https://learnliveuk.com/my-week-of-work/>

Health & Social Care

Creative & Digital

Engineering & Manufacturing

Construction

Energy & Renewables

Crown Prosecution Service

Free Cyber Security Course for Y8 Pupils -Register now! February Half-Term Holiday – Y8 pupils




Link: <https://www.smallpeicetrust.org.uk/course-page/28598b41-0afc-ea11-a813-002248003e25>


A free online course for students who wish to start their CyberFirst journey. This online course is open to any student starting Year 8 in the 2020/21 academic year. Places are limited so don't delay and sign up fast. Please note: To apply for one of these courses, you will need to be on half-term for the full duration of the course and be able to attend on both half-days.

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On a CyberFirst Trailblazers course, you'll learn about:



Go Create – Learn the basics of how to customise a website and generate enthusiasm to contribute to the World Wide Web.



Digital Detective – Use digital forensics to identify the first person who has contracted a disease and learn how open source intelligence can lead to finding out more information about this person.



Media Mogul – Look into how creative design, arts and technology work together. Take a closer view on how the media industry and advertising combine these elements while having the chance in teams to create your own advert sequence using stop motion.



WHEN

15 Feb - 16 Feb 2021
15 Feb 2021 - 16 Feb 2021
Start time: 10 : 00 hrs
Finish time: 13 : 00 hrs



COST

FREE

Barclays Apprenticeships – Week commencing 18th January 2021 – Y11 Pupils

Y11 and Y13 – Barclays Apprenticeships

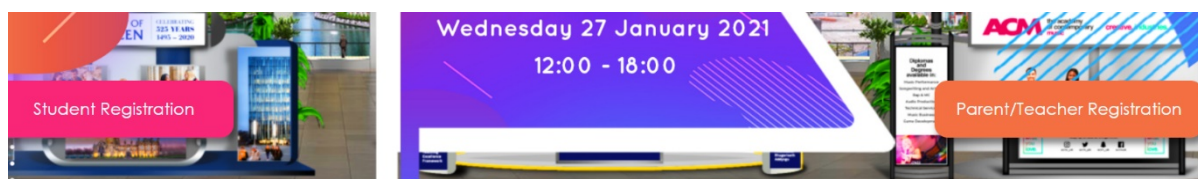
Barclays will be offering a significant number of apprenticeships in 2021 in the North West, at Radbrook (Knutsford), Gadbrook (Northwich) and Manchester. There will be opportunities for those in year 11 – Foundation apprenticeships and year 13 – Higher apprenticeships.



In January, Barclays will deliver a series of tailored insight sessions with a real focus on inclusion and promoting diversity. Please see the sessions below and the links to sign up:

18 th January 2021 17:00 – 18:00	Barclays Apprenticeships – Foundation & Higher <i>Women in Banking</i>	Women in Banking & Barclays Apprenticeships - New Registration (eventscloud.com)
19 th January 2021 17:00 – 18:00	Barclays Apprenticeships – Foundation & Higher <i>LGBTQ Spectrum Network</i>	LGBTQ Spectrum Network & Barclays Apprenticeships - New Registration (eventscloud.com)
20 th January 2021 17:00 – 18:00	Barclays Apprenticeships – Foundation & Higher <i>Embrace Multicultural Network</i>	Embrace Multicultural Network & Barclays Apprenticeships - New Registration (eventscloud.com)
21 st January 2021 17:00 – 18:00	Barclays Apprenticeships – Foundation & Higher <i>Reach Disability, Mental Health & Neurodiversity Network</i>	Reach Disability, Mental Health & Neurodiversity Network & Barclays Apprenticeships - New Registration (eventscloud.com)
22 nd January 2021 17:00 – 18:00	Barclays Apprenticeships – Foundation & Higher	Barclays Apprenticeships - New Registration (eventscloud.com)

UK University & Apprenticeship Search Virtual Fair on Wednesday 27th January 2021 – Y9-11 pupils



<https://ukuniversitysearch.vfairs.com/>

Join online for a new UK University & Apprenticeship Search Virtual Fair on Wednesday 27th January 2021, taking place from 12:00 to 18:00 (GMT/UTC). This event will feature a wide range of universities, colleges, and apprenticeship providers from across the UK, allowing you to explore all your post-18 options in one place. Universities will include Russell Group, red brick, modern and specialist institutions, as well as colleges and apprenticeship providers. You'll be able to explore exhibition stands, live chat with admissions officers, student ambassadors, academics and recruitment teams to ask any questions you have, view prospectuses and information, and take part in 10 live and interactive webinars in the auditorium.






STEM Opportunities – Interested in Science? Find out about Astra Zeneca's Early Talent Programme

<https://careers.astrazeneca.com/early-talent>

Early Talent programmes

Read about and apply to our programmes using the links below.

School or college students	Undergraduate	Graduate/Masters	Postdoc opportunities
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 <p>Scientific Apprenticeships UK</p>	 <p>IT and Data Apprenticeships UK</p>	 <p>Business Apprenticeships UK</p>	 <p>Operations Apprenticeships UK</p>	 <p>Work Experience</p>
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Live Q&A with the Professional Services Sector – Friday 15th January 2021 [1.30-2pm]

https://teams.microsoft.com/dl/launcher/launcher.html?url=%2F%23%2F%2Fmeetup-join%2F19%3Ameeting_NDBkM2NjYjMtMmY4Zi00Yjc3LWlwOTctOTVhNGY0MTA2MDgw%40thread.v2%2F0%3Fcontext%3D%257b%2522Tid%2522%253a%2522e8d8036a-b5f9-4f3f-9d36-d7cd740299bb%2522%252c%2522Oid%2522%253a%25227d3022c6-834e-480e-a37e-2c657c00d7d5%2522%252c%2522IsBroadcastMeeting%2522%253a%2522true%2522%26anon%3Dtrue&type=meetup-join&deeplinkId=93fb4a08-ef64-407c-9e6c-cc5c35e5a0dc&directDI=true&msLaunch=true&enableMobilePage=true&suppressPrompt=true

Virtual Q&As are an opportunity for young people to hear from up to 4 employees about their role, industry, career pathway and top tips for entering the world of work.

This week meet Anna Thornham and Sarah Driver from the Professional Services sector who are also volunteer Enterprise Advisers for schools in Greater Manchester.

You will have the opportunity to submit questions throughout the session and these will be directed to the panellists in the last 10 minutes.

Date: Friday 15th January 2021

Time: 1:30pm - 2:00pm

Find out about T Levels – A new qualification that students can take after GCSE – **Y10 & Y11 Pupils**

T Levels are a new, 2-year qualification designed to give you a head start towards the career you want. The government has developed T Levels to deliver world-class technical education and give you a new choice after GCSEs. T Levels are ideal if you have finished your GCSEs and want the knowledge and experience to get straight into employment, an apprenticeship or higher education.

You'll spend 80% of your time in the classroom and 20% on a 45-day placement with an employer to give you the skills and knowledge companies look for.

One T level takes 2 years of full-time study and is equivalent to 3 A levels.

The first 3 T Levels have started at selected colleges and schools in England, with more coming in the following years.

<https://www.tlevels.gov.uk/>

OLDHAM COLLEGE

Oldham | OL9 6AA

From September 2021 onwards:

- Building Services Engineering for Construction
- Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction
- Digital Business Services
- Digital Production, Design and Development
- Digital Support Services
- Education and Childcare
- Health
- Healthcare Science
- Onsite Construction
- Science

MANCHESTER COLLEGE

Manchester | M11 2WH

From September 2021 onwards:

- Building Services Engineering for Construction
- Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction
- Digital Business Services
- Digital Production, Design and Development
- Education and Childcare
- Health
- Healthcare Science
- Onsite Construction
- Science

OLDHAM SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

Oldham | OL8 1XU

From September 2020 onwards:

- Digital Production, Design and Development

From September 2021 onwards:

- Health
- Healthcare Science
- Science

HOPWOOD HALL COLLEGE

Rochdale | M24 6XH

From September 2021 onwards:

- Building Services Engineering for Construction
- Digital Business Services
- Digital Support Services
- Science

NHS Careers Competition - Friday 30th April 2021

Engaging national competition

To **enter the competition** and have the chance of winning some great prizes, students will be asked to create a job description and fun advertisement for one of the 350 NHS roles. Regional winners will have the opportunity to pitch their work virtually before a panel of judges, who'll crown our national winner.

- Competition entry deadline: **30 April 2021**
- Typical lesson time: **4-6 hours (including optional extension activities)**

Follow these simple steps to deliver the competition

Step 1: The research phase

Main activity: Students research the breadth of careers in the NHS and select one.

Core resources: stepintothens.nhs.uk, career mapper quiz, careers A-Z, videos of NHS staff, employee portraits presentation outlining skills and attributes needed for a variety of roles.

Differentiated materials: Employee portraits with practice sheets to develop understanding.

Step 2: The job description

Main activity: Students produce a job description for their chosen role that demonstrates their understanding of what it involves.

Core resources: Job description template for student completion.

Differentiated materials: Job description guidance sheet to support this task, useful vocabulary list.

Step 3: The job advertisement

Main activity: Students create a fun, lively and creative advertisement to tell other young people about the role.

Core resources: Examples of previous entries.

Differentiated materials: Job advertisement guidance sheet with planning advice.

Step 4: Send us your entry

Main activity: Submit your entry online where possible. If you need to send by post, complete paperwork to accompany entry.

Core resources: Teacher entry form, pupil entry form.

Differentiated materials: None applicable.



National Careers Service & National Apprenticeship Websites

What is an Apprenticeship?

The opportunity to get on the job training and earn qualifications – up to degree level whilst getting paid!



www.apprenticeshipguide.co.uk

www.ucas.com/apprenticeships-in-england



www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch

**National
Careers
Service**

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>

Skills assessment

Learn more about your skills and match them to potential new careers.

[Assess your skills](#)

Explore careers

Choose from over 800 career profiles to discover what each job involves.

[Search job profiles](#)

Find a course

Look for online learn opportunities and training local to you.

[Look for courses](#)