



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

Last week, we celebrated National Careers Week. In addition to this, International Women's Day also took place on Saturday 8th March 2025 and British Science Week 2025 takes place from 7th to 16th March 2025.

International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating women's equality.

British Science Week is a ten-day celebration of thousands of events running throughout the whole of the UK with the aim of celebrating science, engineering, technology and maths.



Here is the official list of IWD2025 events, which are running up until 20th March 2025. You can also search #IWD2025 on social media to find information on other events and campaigns from various employers and organisations.



IWD isn't just for those who identify as female! Here are 10 Things Men can do on International Women's Day to celebrate, support and become an ally of women.



Tech We Can (formerly Tech She Can) is a programme of free learning materials that aim to inspire both boys and girls about a future career in technology. Check out this range of videos of current people working in tech.



Internationally, 1 in every 10 women in the world lives in extreme poverty. Join this online event to discuss the challenges faced by women living in poverty and explore ways to empower and support them. This event aims to raise awareness about the intersection of gender and poverty, and highlight the importance of addressing these issues in our communities.

JOB OF THE WEEK



Molecular Biologist

Molecular Biologists design and conduct experiments to investigate the molecular mechanisms underlying biological processes. They use a range of techniques to isolate, analyse, and manipulate DNA, RNA, and proteins. Watch the video to learn more about how much you could earn, working hours and pathways into the industry.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

Are you wondering why women are fighting for equality?

Here is one example;

In the UK, median pay for all employees was 13.1% less for women than for men in April 2024.

Source

For up-to-date LMI for Wiltshire, click here.



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The theme for British Science Week 2025 is “Change and Adapt”. Changing and adapting plays a big part in science; you can find examples in every area of STEM. Cities, towns and other areas where people live change and adapt as the world’s population grows, plants and animals change and adapt to their surroundings to survive. Technology has changed exponentially and adapted to our new, busier lives (or have we changed as technology has developed?). For example, phone technology has changed rotary home telephones to smartphones.



Take a look at [what’s on during British Science Week here](#). From online webinars to in person science fairs, there is something for everyone to learn more about STEM.



This [STEM Careers Guide from Youth Employment](#) provides more information on what a STEM career is. They have relevant articles, case studies and apprenticeship opportunities to help you learn more.



The case for increasing both the number and diversity of the engineering workforce is compelling. Research shows the positive impact of STEM careers activity on young people’s understanding of engineering and their likelihood to consider an engineering career. [Tomorrow’s Engineers](#), led by [EngineeringUK](#), brings together resources to support young people into Engineering careers.



Neon have produced a [4-page downloadable guide](#) for students of all ages, with suggested STEM inspiration content for young people to explore. The guide includes podcasts, competitions, books, TV shows, films, days out, social media accounts, activities and apps.



Discover the Science of Sound! Join this [virtual work experience program](#) and explore the fascinating world of acoustics. Learn how sound affects our lives and the environment, and gain practical skills to pursue a career in this dynamic field.

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT



“We’re always looking for brilliant people to join the Civil Service

Our roles are varied and all contribute to delivering vital services to the public.

Our work touches all aspects of life in the UK, from education and the environment, to transport and defence.

You could make a real difference to people’s lives with a career in the Civil Service.”

Read more about [Civil Services Careers here](#).

UNI SPOTLIGHT



“We are a leading UK university committed to international excellence through the creation of world changing research and high quality, inspirational teaching. Leicester is consistently one of the most socially inclusive of the UK’s leading universities with a long-standing commitment to providing fairer and equal access to higher education.”

Read more about [University of Leicester’s Courses here](#).

If you have any questions or need support, please email l.krzyzosiak@trafalgar.wilts.sch.uk



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UNITASTERDAYS STUDENTS' GUIDE TO UNIVERSITY 2025

Following on from our university focus during National Careers Week, UniTasterDays have produced a brilliant guide to allow students to make an informed choice about university.

UniTasterDays say that the guide "...includes articles to help you decide whether university is right for you, what you should study, and where you should study it.

Articles have been provided by over 65 university representatives from across the UK, plus expert leaders from outside the sector, such as Martin Lewis. The guide is supported by HELOA, a membership group for university advisers.

The guide is divided into sections to assist you in every stage of your university journey. These sections include researching your options, attending events, financing your studies, applying, and getting ready for university.

This year, mindful of the cost-of-living crisis, several articles are designed to help you overcome financial difficulty. You'll learn how to explore universities on a budget, secure "free money" to fund your student experience, manage your finances at university, secure a part-time job, and consider more affordable options like studying online."

If you would like to download a copy of the guide, click [here](#) to go to their website.



LOCAL APPRENTICESHIPS SPOTLIGHT



"Underwriting Apprenticeship, Aviva, Southampton.

Our Underwriting Apprentices work alongside and learn from some of the most skilled underwriters in the industry. In your first year, you'll follow our in-house training plan and complete a Certificate in Insurance from the Chartered Insurance Institute. You'll spend your second and third year working towards your Level 4 Insurance Professional Apprenticeship qualification. You'll also gain a Diploma in Insurance from the Chartered Insurance Institute.

You'll spend 80% of your time working in the role and 20% working towards your qualifications.

You will earn £25,100 per year, 25 days holiday plus bank holidays and discounts on all Aviva products."

To find more exciting apprenticeship opportunities in the local area, click [here](#).

THE UCAS PERSONAL STATEMENT IS CHANGING

UCAS have recently amended the personal statement format from one longer essay to three structured questions, affecting all students applying to a UK university from next year onwards. To help you navigate these changes, InvestIN is hosting a free, interactive webinar on Wednesday 26th March 2025, 6 - 7pm, led by experts, covering everything you need to know to make your application stand out.



This information will be extremely helpful for Year 11 parents and students. To register, click [here](#).

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