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Careers newsletter for families – January /February2022

Welcome to the January edition of our Careers newsletter for parents, carers, and families. This [issue](#) is full of events and opportunities to support students throughout the first part of the Spring Term in their career journey.

Including – Events this half term – Details of Apprenticeships-

University opportunities – Work experience – LMI about Creative Industries

January

January 24th International Day of Education

Capturing the spirit of the International Day of Education, UNESCO and partners have spearheaded the Learning Planet Festival to celebrate learning in all contexts and share innovations that fulfil the potential of every learner, no matter what their circumstances.

www.un.org/en/observances/education-day

February

All month LGBT History Month

<https://lgbtplushistorymonth.co.uk/>

11th February International Day of Women and Girls in Science International awareness

To recognise the critical role women and girls play in science and technology. Each year there is a different theme.

<https://www.un.org/en/observances/women-and-girls-in-science-day>

7th – 12th February National Apprenticeship Week

An annual week-long celebration of apprenticeships across England and is a time to recognise and applaud apprenticeship success stories across the country.

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/naw2021>

TBC STEM Club Week

<https://www.stem.org.uk/news-and-views/news/stem-clubs-week-here>

21st February - World NGO Day

#WorldNGODay An opportunity to inspire people to consider a career within the NGO/Non-profit sector.

<https://worldngoday.org>

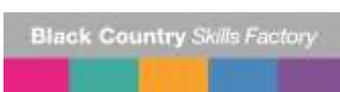
College Information Evenings

Walsall College 15th January – 10am -2pm -registration required

<https://www.walsallcollege.ac.uk/>

PwC's Careers Events

Over the next few months, PwC are providing a series of events for Parents, Students and Teachers including information on their training opportunities and programmes for young people. [Find out more >](#)



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PERSONAL GUIDANCE

Check with your School Careers Lead – has your year 11 Students had their 1:1 Careers guidance - Do you want to follow this up? Contact the Schools careers lead

WORK EXPERIENCE

Ideas for virtual work experience

Virtual Work Experience Programmes Medic Mentors	
Professional network for young people (uptree.co)	

UNIVERSITY

<p>If you have a year 13 student, they should now have applied for University</p> <p><u>Some applications for Degree apprenticeship still open</u></p> <p>Notgoingtouni.co.uk</p> <p>Year 12 can start looking for choices next year</p>	
<p>The University of Law – Criminology and Policing Degrees</p> <p>With professional policing degrees licensed by the College of Policing, as well as a cutting edge Criminology course – there is something for everyone who is interested in a career in Law -</p> <p>www.law.ac.uk/locations/birmingham</p>	 <p>Various Campuses</p>

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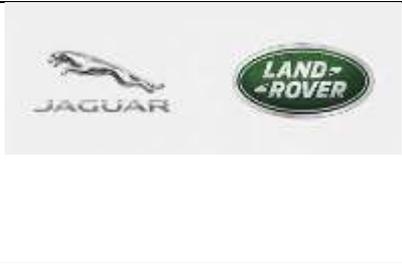
APPRENTICESHIPS

Looking for an apprenticeship? [Click here Apprenticeships \(blackcountrylep.co.uk\)](https://blackcountrylep.co.uk) to head over to the Black Country Skills Hub site website where you will find 100s of local apprenticeship vacancies. Below, we've also highlighted just a few of the latest school/college leaver apprenticeships with local and national employers.

<p>Opportunities at IBM</p> <p>IBM offer a wide range of roles that are more than jobs – They are a calling. A call to build, design, code, consult and more. Find out more ></p>	
<p>Careersinracing – Sport Careers in Horseracing</p> <p>For students interested in sports or sports broadcasting – Horseracing careers offers an abundance of options. For example, Trainee Broadcast Engineer, Photo Finish Trainee, Trainee Grounds Person or Racing Groom – to mention a few. For a list of all opportunities, find out more here ></p>	
<p>PwC – Flying Start Degree Programmes</p> <p>PwC's 'Flying Start' Degree Programmes give students the opportunity to work with world-class clients and be an integral part of highly skilled teams. The integrated paid placements at PwC allow you to earn whilst you learn at university and hopefully secure a grad job with them after graduation! PwC run programmes in Accounting, Technology and Business Management. Applications for the 2022 intake are now open! Find out more ></p>	

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<p>Warwick University Degree Apprenticeships</p> <p>Warwick University offer a number of exciting Degree Apprenticeships including those in Systems Engineering, Computer Science, Digital Tech and more. Find out more ></p>	 <p>DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS</p>
<p>Volkswagen Group Apprenticeship Programme</p> <p>The Volkswagen Group Apprenticeship Programme offers the opportunity to learn and earn whilst working for a world-leading automotive company such as Audi, SEAT, Skoda etc. Available apprentice roles include; Service Technician, Parts Advisor, Paint Technician, Mechanical Technician, Sales and more. Find out more ></p>	 <p>VOLKSWAGEN AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT</p> <p>VW Audi SEAT SKODA BENTLEY BUGATTI PORSCHE MAN SCANIA</p>
<p>Jaguar Land Rover Retailer Apprenticeship</p> <p>A Jaguar Land Rover Retailer Apprenticeship employs apprentices full time in a local retailer where they will receive on and off the job training in both technical and commercial roles. To find out more about the roles available, click here ></p>	 <p>JAGUAR LAND ROVER</p>
<p>BT Insight Webinar – Apprenticeships</p> <p>Success at School are holding a free Insight Webinar on Thursday 11th November at 4.30pm available apprenticeships with BT including what they entail and how to make your application stand out! Find out more ></p>	 <p>BT</p>

UNDERSTANDING THE JOB MARKET

Creative Futures

Are you a creative person? Do you dream of working in arts, design or media? Are you worried that creative jobs only exist for a lucky few? Think again!

The creative industries span advertising and marketing, animation, arts and culture, crafts, computer games, design, fashion, film, music, social media, textiles, TV, video, photography, performance and more.

They generate £21.2bn in turnover every year, and people employ over 2 million in the UK. The creative industries are an important part of the West Midlands too providing around 50,000 jobs, and generating over £4 billion “gross value added”.

The industries are exciting, vibrant and developing all the time, providing huge societal benefit, and creating new jobs in response to new technology and ideas. For example, our increasingly digitised world has resulted in a big demand for anyone who can tell stories, create content, communicate with audiences, inform and entertain. And with a world that is increasingly sensitive to diversity and inclusion, arts plays an important role in reaching out to helping people belong to their communities and cope with challenges such as disability, mental health, isolation and past traumas.

Creative Futures: learn about creative career possibilities from our guest speakers

The Wolverhampton School of Art and School of Performing Arts at Wolverhampton University have a long history of preparing students for the creative industries. With the University’s Careers Centre, we have put together a series of talks featuring guest speakers (many University of Wolverhampton alumni) who work in different creative professions and scenarios. The talks aim to inform and inspire, covering the career trends you need to know about if you want a creative career.

The talks cover hot topics including:

- Different examples of creative careers, jobs and places you can work – our guest speakers have built exciting, successful creative careers and you can too!
- Freelancing as a common mode of work: what it’s like, how it’s not as scary as you might think and how you can get support to get started

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- Building your creative community – often it's said that "making it" depends on who you know. This is only partially true, but can be extremely beneficial for mutual support, collaboration, advice and finding work opportunities
- Change as a typical part of a creative career and how your career might evolve to include an exciting array of employers, projects, collaborative teams, and subject areas
- Feeling confident about who you are, your creative ideas, your skills and abilities
- Building your technical skills and portfolio of work and how determination and persistence pays off

Access our Creative Futures Talks! See Autumn 2021 Creative Futures recordings at www.wlv.ac.uk/creativefutures

We are planning our Spring 2022 series which will include careers areas such as fine art, music therapy, product design, theatrical event production, arts teaching and photography. To celebrate the launch of our new Screen School, we are also planning a media event covering careers in

journalism, animation, games, TV and film production and VFX. Details will be published at www.wlv.ac.uk/creativefutures

Access information about University of Wolverhampton Creative Courses

To see the range of courses that can launch your creative career and to find out a bit more about how we support your employability see: [Wolverhampton School of Art](#) [School of Performing Arts](#)

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Power Industry Vacancies

Between May and July 2021, vacancies in the Power Industry were at a record high, up 254% over the previous year. With a huge variety of roles, the energy and utilities sector offers excellent opportunities for training and career progression. [Find out more >](#)

Free Careers Evening for Teachers and Parents

InvestIn are running a series of bespoke, free of charge events for parents and teachers specifically designed to help you enhance your students' career potential. This terms schedule includes sessions on how to break into medicine, learn leadership skills, careers around climate change and more. [Find out more >](#)
This half terms careers focus events

