



Year 11 16+ Options/next steps

The Year 11 students will kick start their post 16 choices/next step decisions with an assembly on Thursday explaining their the choices and the process. All information will then be available on Google Classroom so that they can look through it at their own leisure.

It is important that students are researching all possible pathways available to them whilst taking into consideration their learning styles, predicted grades, strengths, weaknesses and future aspirations. An excellent website to assist students with these choices is the National Careers Service which has loads of information related to courses and careers. It really is worth a look...



More information about this website will be covered in future editions of Careerfile, there is so much on there for young people!

"Help Me Miss B!!!"

Any student who wants help and advice on what to do after Year 11 or just to have a chat about what is suitable for them, please email me with your enquiry and I will organise a 1:1 meeting.

Help me Miss B!!!
I need to talk to you
about what to do
after Year 11

Ms Balchin, Careers Lead

Year 7 Pastoral Evening

An opportunity to spend time with form tutors, reviewing work and discussing the transition from primary to secondary school.

Parent/Carer Feedback

- It was nice to see him looking a lot more confident and comfortable in his surroundings.
- I found the time valuable, to understand what the school does and to meet the form tutor. It was also good to be able to put names to faces, both teachers and my daughter's friends.
- Having Jess show us around was great and it was lovely to see how confident she has become. When I came with her before she started, she was very anxious and stayed close to me throughout. Last night, she happily took the lead, showing us all where she had her lessons and a short cut she'd learnt to getting between particular places. We're so thankful to see that side of her and know that without the support from you all, making her feel comfortable and confident, we could be in a whole different place - Thank you!
- Highest compliment to all members of staff I was able to speak with, very professional, knowledgeable, helpful and full of useful information. Caring, responsive and attentive.
- It was lovely to be invited into school to see how the yr 7s have settled in. It also gave opportunity to have a chat with the form tutors.

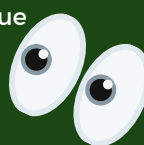
Summer Work Experience

"Over the holidays, I helped my nana with voluntary work at her local church by painting the walls and spent a day at her workplace. My job was to help match company names to order numbers, put the parts in packaging, label and finally post them at the post office.

Fun fact: She's had Redbull and Aston Martin order parts from where she works!"

Melissa 9N

Look out every issue
for new features -
all things
career related!



CALLING ALL FORMER FEARNHILL STUDENTS... **WE NEED YOU!**



Ms Balchin, our Head of Careers, would love former students to share their career stories to inspire our students.

It doesn't matter what your journey has been since leaving school - bank manager or basketball player, barista or barrister - come and let our students talk to you about your career path.

If you would like more information on how you can be involved in our Careers event on Friday 12th March 2027, please email:
admin@fearnhill.herts.sch.uk

Year 11 Next Steps Assembly

Preparing for life after Key Stage 4.



Year 9 Future Ready

Careers Event with Morgan Sindall.

Post 18 Info Eve

Designed to help students and their families understand the wide range of opportunities available after Sixth Form.



2 Week Autumn Half Term!

6th Form Open Eve

Opportunity to look at the options available in Fearnhill 6th Form.



Year 11 English Walking Talking Mock

Guided exam revision activity.



Yr 13 PSHE Session

Volunteer-led modules focuses directly on healthy relationships and consent

Year 9 Parents Evening

Bookings open now!



Services for Young People Support

- Youth work projects
- Helping to stay safe
- SEND
- Home Educated
- Information, advice and support
- Health and emotional wellbeing
- NEET (not in education, employment or training)
- Care leavers and separated migrants

- Sexual health services
- The voice
- LGBT+ people
- Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Services for Young People
Hertfordshire County Council

Get involved in youth work projects, and get information, advice and guidance on a range of issues from Access Point Projects

Year 10 Careers Trip to Letchworth Job Centre

On Wednesday 7th October, a group of Year 10 students went on a visit to Letchworth Job centre; learning about the jobs, roles, training and qualifications in the Civil Service.



"I learnt how much the job centre really does for people."

"It was a great experience."

"It was amazing!"



"We learnt more about apprenticeships and the working hours for 15-19 year olds!"

"We learnt about salaries when you start as a Civil service employee."

"We learnt how many jobs are linked to the Civil service."

"It really made me think about future options for when i'm older."

"We completed activities of riddles and crosswords."

"The presentation was interesting, the whole thing was good!"

"I learnt about civil service jobs and that you work 8 hours a day on average."

"I enjoyed the biscuits, how nice the workers were and answering the booklet questions."

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Key Word/Phrase of the Fortnight

APPRENTICE

YOU HAVE A JOB THAT INCLUDES
GAINING RECOGNISED QUALIFICATIONS
AND ESSENTIAL SKILLS WHILST YOU
ARE WORKING AND EARNING A WAGE.



Subject of the Month - October

- Year 7 - Fine Art
- Year 8 - Horticulture & Botany
- Year 9 - Computer Games Design
- Year 10 - Aerospace engineering & aviation
- Year 11 - Theology & Religion
- Year 12 - Zoology
- Year 13 - Nutrition

Spotlight On

A **unifrog** series
SPOTLIGHT ON

Scan to learn more & connect
with this employer
Just make sure you're signed into Unifrog first!



Unifrog Student Guides

Find out what 'learning' means as a skill, how to create strong evidence of it, and how to use your evidence in your applications?

Skills (Accessible)

NCW GCW THE FUTURE IS GREEN STEM

ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENGINEER

DRIVE THE GREEN REVOLUTION

Electric vehicles are transforming transport.

- Battery technology
- Engineering
- Innovation
- Sustainability

Could you design the next generation of transport?

#GCW2026
Green Careers Week - 2-6 November 2026

Scan for school resources:

INVEST IN

What's it actually like?

FREE CAREER FASTER 6PM UK TIME

DOCTOR 10th November	BANKER 11th November	LAWYER 12th November
ENGINEER 13th November	PSYCHOLOGIST 14th November	AI SPECIALIST 15th November

Join our industry professionals online to take a look behind the curtain and learn the ins and outs of day-to-day life in different careers.

- Receive a certificate for attending
- Can't make it? Register anyway to receive the recording

SECURE YOUR SPOT

Apprenticeships

Meet the Apprentice



HIGHERin Top 100 Apprenticeship Employers

Partnered with the Government to crown the companies getting apprenticeships right.

These rankings are based on student-written job reviews, focusing on matters to students like you - from progression opportunities to diversity commitments, company culture to real apprentice enjoyment.

T-LEVELS
THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

Parent & Carer Webinar
Understanding T Levels
20th October 2026
6:30-7:15pm

emapps.uk/t-level-parent-carer-webinar

[REGISTER NOW](#)

the apprenticeship guide

An apprenticeship was the perfect option for me, enabling me to get real-world work experience whilst being given time to learn new concepts, as well as being mentored by experienced developers.

Robert Young, Apprentice Software Developer

[How apprenticeships can give real-world work experience and develop your career](#)



Work Wise
What Do Employers Look For in an Apprentice?

Accessing Apprenticeships

Watch this short film to hear from ten different apprentices about the routes into their amazing apprenticeships.



Meet the Employer

AVOVE
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Avove design, build, and maintain the UK's utilities infrastructure, helping to keep water flowing, lights on and people connected. Delivering sustainable engineering solutions and proud to be committed to improving communities and protecting the environment.

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Real Success Stories.

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for
Namrata's
story

Dental Mentor

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for
Jess'
story

MENTORVERSE



Get Into Dentistry Conference

Saturday 17th October
Suitable for students aged 14+,
interested in becoming a dentist.
Held virtually on Zoom 9am-1:30pm



Get Into Medicine Conference

Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th October
Suitable for students aged 14+,
interested in becoming a doctor.
Held virtually on Zoom 9am-1:30pm

PREMED PROJEC+S

October 2026 - Future Doctors Month
4 Weeks. 4 Live Medical Experiences 2-4pm

Free Work Experience for Students Aged 14-18
[book here](#)

Sunday 18th October - Inside the Operating Theatre: Anaesthetics
Sunday 25th October - The Diagnosis Challenge: Medical Detective
Sunday 1st November - Outbreak: Can You Stop the Spread?



Interested in studying dietetics?

Explore nutrition-based careers

Learn more about dietetics courses

Ask about dietetic shadowing

Join the open day for more details

28th October, 9:30am-3:30pm, St Albans

To book, email: hct.dietetics.workexperience@nhs.net with the subject: "Dietetics Work Shadowing"



External Opportunities

Students are advised to check their school email accounts weekly, if not daily! Careers information and opportunities are sent regularly and we wouldn't want them to miss the deadlines. These are copied to parents/carers as well for reference. A few of these opportunities are listed here.

post-16 education for young people who are creative, practical and ambitious.

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[Prospectus 2027](#)
[Online Intro Eve - Monday 19th October 7-8pm](#)

EDT Placements

Paid work placements for school leavers

EDT Placement opportunities enable young people to enhance their skills whilst gaining an Industrial Cadets Platinum Level award, an industry recognised accreditation.

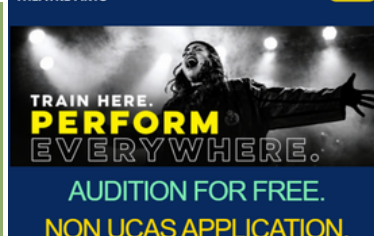
Apply in your final year of school:

<https://www.etrust.org.uk/programmes/platinum-placements>



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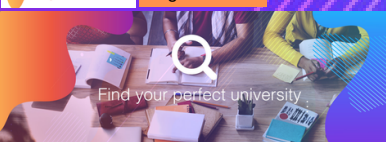


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Careers Event Years 10, 11, 12, 13

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10th-11th November 2026
3rd March 2027
28th April 2027
9th June 2027

Shuttleworth College

17th October 2026

Central Beds College

21st November 2026

Bedford College

30th January 2026



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