



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



National Coding Week takes place from 16th - 23rd September, it aims to help adults and children learn and share their digital skills. There are many benefits of learning to code. It's a useful and important skill for the future.



Advertising is a dynamic industry that uses creative storytelling to inspire and influence how we think, behave, and consume. Over 600,000 people are employed directly in the advertising and marketing industry in the UK, across agencies and in-house marketing teams. These jobs are spread right around the UK, with 60% of industry employment based outside of London. Check out these career simulations to learn more about what it's like to work in the advertising industry.



Apprenticeships are real jobs with real employers, allowing you to work, earn a salary and gain valuable qualifications and experience. With over 700 different apprenticeship standards covering everything from accountancy to zoo keeping, there is an apprenticeship out there for everyone. Apprenticeships offer choice, opportunity, qualifications, support and a head start into a future career. Explore these resources to discover everything you need to know about apprenticeships.



Recycle Week 2026 takes place from September 14 to September 20, 2026, with the theme "Rescue Me" focusing on rescuing recyclable items from the rubbish bin. Recycle Week is a great opportunity to think about how the choices we make today can shape a more sustainable future, and the careers that can help make it happen.



The Environmental Agency are running a virtual work experience opportunity. Students aged 13+ can explore Environment Agency careers, sustainability, flood and coastal management through interactive activities. The programme is self-paced and provides a certificate to add to CVs.



This online programme focuses on sustainable Careers in Forestry. It allows you to explore careers including forest ranger, nursery grower and forestry consultant. You will investigate conservation and sustainable woodland management while developing valuable employability skills including teamwork, communication and problem-solving.

JOB OF THE WEEK



Software Developer

A software developer designs, builds, tests, and maintains computer programs and applications to solve user and business needs.

Writing code is a major part of the job, but a developer's work covers the entire life cycle of a project. This can include designing systems, debugging, updating software and working as part of a team to overcome challenges.

LABOUR MARKET

EDT have produced a series of LMI posters for Surrey

AEROSPACE, SPACE & SATELLITE, Aviation, Construction, Creative Industries, Cyber Security and IT, Health and Social Care, Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering, Professional Services. Rural Economy, Visitor Economy.



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The Heathrow Environmental Engineering Sprint is aimed at students aged 16+ who are considering a career within environmental engineering, and want to experience tackling a realistic sustainability and biodiversity challenge. This is a great opportunity to experience how engineering can help organisations become more environmentally sustainable.



CreaTech Careers Fest Is Coming and will take place from 23-25 September 2026. The three-day festival explores careers at the intersection of creativity and technology, covering Screens & Storytelling, Live Stage & Experience, and the Future of Creativity. You can expect short talks, real career stories and practical advice from people working across the creative industries. All online, all on demand.



This Career Simulation allows users to step into the world behind the deals that power global brands. They will explore how commercial experts use strategy, data, and partnerships to turn bold ideas into profitable outcomes. The programme includes quizzes and interactive tasks designed to test skills and knowledge. Age range 13+, available on demand, get a certificate on completion. Follow the link below to find out more. [Read more](#)



Do you know a young person aged 7 to 25, or a group, who deserves to be recognised? Whether they've championed youth voice, taken action on climate change, supported the wellbeing of others, or made progress in their education or career, we want to hear about them. You can nominate either an individual or a group for each award category. Nominations will close at midnight on Thursday 1 October. Help us celebrate the outstanding contributions of Surrey's young people by submitting your nominations today! Follow the link to vote [Read more](#)



The European Day of Languages is celebrated annually on September 26, with the official 2026 theme focused on "Languages unite! How languages shape inclusion". This [webpage from the University of Cambridge](#) focuses on Careers using Languages. They have a range of resources including job boards for bilingual people, information on job roles requiring languages and advice on what to do next if you're interested in learning more.

Company Information

Aldi is one of the UK's largest supermarket chains, with stores and distribution centres across the country. Its early careers opportunities can include apprenticeships and graduate programmes covering stores, logistics, buying, property and business functions.

For young people who enjoy working with others, solving problems and taking responsibility, Aldi offers routes into retail and management with structured training and opportunities to progress.

[Explore how the subjects you study connect to real careers](#)

[Interesting Reads](#)
[Eighty per cent of young people prefer a degree apprenticeship](#)

Open Evenings – 2026/ 27

Brooklands College
October 15
 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm
February 4, 2027
 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm
April 29, 2027
 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm
 [Events](#)

Carshalton College
14 October
 16:30-18:30
14 November 2026
 10:00-13:00
23 February 2027
 16:30-18:30
23 June 2027
 16:30-19:00

Register to Attend  [open-events](#)

Guildford College
10 October
 9:30am - 12pm
18 November
 4:30pm - 7pm

Need to book  [Open event](#)

Heathside Sixth Form
Thursday, 5th November
 5:00pm – 7:30pm
 [Open Evening](#)

Hinchley Wood Sixth Form
Thursday 8th October 2026;
 6:00pm – 8:00pm
 [Open Evening](#)

Kingston College
03 October
 10:00-13:00
18 November
 16:30-19:00
17 March 2027
 16:30-18:30
18 June 2027
 11:00-13:00
 [stcg.ac.uk/events](#)

Merrist Wood College
7 October
 4:30pm - 7pm
14 November
 9:30am - 12pm

 [Open event](#) - Need to Register

Merton College
17 October
 10:00-13:00
24 November
 16:30-18:30
10 March 2027
16:30-18:30
24 June 2027
 16:30-18:30
 [Events](#) – Need to Register

Nescot College
Saturday, 10 October
 10.00am – 2.00pm
Wednesday, 18 November 2026
 4.30pm – 7.30pm
Tuesday, 2 March 2027
 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Richmond upon Thames College
Wednesday 30 September 2026
 16:00-19:00 pm
 [rutc.ac.uk/events](#) – To book ticket

South Thames College
07 October 2026
 16:30-18:30
07 November 2026
 10:00-13:00
03 March 2027
 16:30-18:30
16 June 2027
 16:30-18:30
 [Open events](#)

Strode's College
20th October
 4:30-7:00pm
 [Register](#)

Three Rivers Academy Sixth Form
Thursday, 8th October
 6:00 – 8:00PM
 [Open Event](#)

Tiffin Sixth Form
13th October
 1600-1900
[Open-evenings/](#)

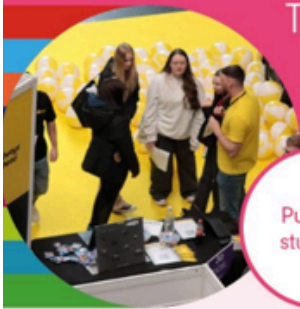
Woking College
Thursday 15th October
 4:30 – 8:00 p.m
 [woking.ac.uk/open-days](#)

AN UNMISSABLE **FREE** EVENT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE ACROSS THE SOUTH EAST OF ENGLAND

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP & EDUCATION EVENT SOUTH EAST

SANDOWN RACECOURSE **SURREY**

THURSDAY 7 OCTOBER 2027



Pupils &
students

Parents
& carers

Careers
leaders &
teachers

Book
your **FREE**
Places
Today!



NAEE South East - Surrey invites you to an inspiring, face-to-face event that connects employers, universities, colleges, and training providers in a welcoming and interactive setting.

Discover expert advice on apprenticeships, career options, and educational pathways, plus hands-on experiences from leading UK businesses.

**Sandown
Park**

Create positive steps towards your future by registering your free places today and connect with employers, and educators, at NAEE South East.

Make it happen!
Register your **FREE** place today at:
www.nationalapprenticeshipsevents.co.uk



SURBITON HIGH SCHOOL'S UNIVERSITY AND CAREERS FAIR

Aimed at Years 10 to 13 - connect with a wide range of universities and representatives from a variety of careers.



SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER



9.30 AM - 12.30 PM



**SURBITON ASSEMBLY ROOMS
MAPLE ROAD, SURBITON
KT6 4RT**

Friends and relatives from other schools who are in Years 10 to 13 are also welcome!

Events



ERIC Events Calendar Now Available

Eric's bite size careers talks from companies and creatives across the creative industries give students a front-row seat to the careers shaping their future. The calendar for next year's events has just been published:

Autumn Term 2026

Careers in Live Entertainment & Events — 15 September 2026

Pulling back the curtain on the careers that power festivals, venues, touring, and live events.

Creator Economy Day — 21 September 2026

A deep dive into the creator economy — what it is, how it works, and the real careers being built inside it.

CreaTech Careers Festival — 23–25 September 2026

A three-day festival exploring careers at the intersection of creativity and technology.

Media & Comms Careers — 30 September 2026

Covering careers across advertising, marketing, PR, journalism, social media, and communications.

Choosing a Creative Degree & Uni — 5 October 2026

Supporting students considering creative courses and wanting to understand their options before UCAS deadlines.

Careers in the Screen Industries — 14 October 2026

Exploring the full range of careers across film, TV, animation, games, and streaming.

Backstage & Tech Careers — 26 October 2026

Shining a light on the behind-the-scenes careers in live events, production, and creative tech.

Creative Careers Week — 2–6 November 2026

ERIC's flagship week. Five days covering the breadth of creative careers — from what's possible to how to get there.

Spring Term 2027

National Apprenticeship Week — 1–5 February 2027

Careers in Retail — 16 February 2027

Showcasing the full breadth of retail careers — from buying and e-commerce to brand, sustainability, and retail tech.

National Careers Week — 1–5 March 2027

A week of careers content timed perfectly for schools running their own NCW activities.

Summer Term 2027

AI Tools for Creatives — 6 April 2027

An honest, practical look at AI tools for creators — what they do, how to use them, and what it means for careers.

Careers in Culture & Community — 22 April 2027

Exploring careers across museums, galleries, arts organisations, charities, and community projects.

Immersive Tech & Events Careers — 3 May 2027

A spotlight on careers in VR/AR, immersive experiences, and the future of live and digital events.

National Freelance Careers Week — 8–12 June 2027

Helping students understand what freelancing looks like across the creative industries — and how to get started.

Follow the link below to sign up to ERIC and register for any of their events

[**Read more**](#)

Virtual Work Experience

Metro Bank's free virtual work experience programme is now live on TalentXP, giving young people across the UK the chance to explore careers in banking and financial services. Designed for young people aged 13 or over, the self-guided programme can be completed on any device, anywhere and self paced. Across four interactive modules participants will:

- Discover their stores, culture and Relationship Banking approach

- Build financial literacy and budgeting skills

- Explore retail and business banking

- Learn about fraud prevention and responsible lending

Everyone who completes the experience will receive an official Metro Bank digital certificate and badge to showcase their achievement.

Closing date for participation is 17th November 2026

Follow the link to find out more [Read more](#)

Half Term Work Experience Opportunity

British Antarctic Survey (BAS) and British Geological Survey (BGS) are inviting students aged 14 to 19 years, to apply for a unique Virtual Work Experience Programme. This work experience presents an opportunity for students to learn about different roles in the scientific research space during the October 2026 half-term.

Programme details:

Duration: 5 days placement

Date: Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October

Deadline for applications: 25th September 2026

Follow the link to register [Read more](#)

Apprenticeship Virtual Insight Programme With **Savills**

Date: Monday 26th October - Thursday 29th October 2026 (Applications open Monday 14th September) Open to students in Year 12/1st year at college and above. Explore the dynamic world of real estate with Savills through their engaging Apprenticeship Virtual Insight Programme.

This programme is designed to give a comprehensive introduction to the property industry and offers valuable insights into the experience of being an apprentice at Savills.

After successfully completing the Savills Apprenticeship Virtual Insight Programme, attendees will receive a Certificate of Completion to recognise their achievement.

Assessment for this programme:

- Application form (CV and essay question)

- Screening telephone interview [Read more](#)