



Longridge High School

Excellence and ambition from all, for all

Careers Information

WORK
EXPERIENCE

All Year 10 pupils should have received the following paperwork: -

- LHS Work Experience letter
- Self-Placement Green Form
- Health Declaration Form

Deadline for GREEN Forms

30th November

Longridge High School are pleased to say all Year 10s will participate in a **Work Experience Programme 13th – 17th May 2024**. Preparations started with Tracy from Education Business Partnership. EBP is a specialist organisation who help school co-ordinate work experience placements, they carry out health, safety & welfare assessments, issue all the paperwork and advise on health and safety before, during and after placement. This programme gives the pupils the opportunity to experience industry first hand. Year 10 pupils can then make a more realistic and informed choice about their life after leaving school in Year 11.

Benefits of Work Experience?

- A chance to learn new skills and apply existing ones
- Experience a new environment
- Understand what is expected in the world of work and take more responsibility
- Follow a different set of rules and regulations
- You can make a good start on your C.V.
- Helps with college and apprenticeship applications/may lead to other opportunities

What if an employer says no?

- No insurance
- No supervision
- Not enough work
- Already taking a student
- Bad experience in the past

**DON'T TAKE IT
PERSONALLY**

We are expecting pupils to find their own employer: -

SELF PLACEMENTS – TOP TIPS

- Think about your career interests/hobbies
- Think about where you can travel to
- Look at businesses in your area, on the high street or as you're travelling around – anything catches your eye? ASK....
- Do you have any friends or relatives who could help?
- Do you want to try something new or test the water?
- Research the company before you approach them
- Internet Research

What do we expect as a school.....

- Respect
- Behaviour
- Attitude
- Appropriate Language
- Follow instructions – ask
- Punctuality and attendance
- Read job description
- Interest and enthusiasm

If you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Rogers or Ms Lovatt via Synergy or on 01772 782316.

The colleges are doing advice/open events – each college is doing it in a slightly different way, they will allow you to visit their campus to get a feel for college life. There will be a variation of zoom presentations, video resources, careers guidance drop-ins and LiveChat options for both pupils and parents / guardians, it is important that parents/guardians are involved in this process too. We will let you know when each of the colleges are doing the advice open events.

PUPILS are free to apply to any college they wish to, so the more research done the better.

[Open Events at Cardinal Newman College](#) ★

[Year 10 & 11 Open Event - Preston College](#)

[Open Mornings and Events | Myerscough College](#)

[October Open Event \(blackburn.ac.uk\)](#)

[Experience Runshaw at one of our Open Events](#)

★ [Sixth Form Tour – QEGS Blackburn](#)

[Clitheroe Royal Grammar School \(crgs.org.uk\)](#)

[Open Events » Bolton College](#)

Please visit the website of the college/training provider for more information and check if you need to register online before you visit the college.

College Open Events 2023-2024		
College	Date	Time
Runshaw College https://www.runshaw.ac.uk/ Please note the events are open to Year 11s only except 06/03/24 which is open to Year 10s as well	23/09/23 12/10/23 21/11/23 06/03/24	10am - 2pm 3.30pm - 7.30pm 3.30pm - 7.30pm 3.30pm - 7.30pm Runshaw College – Open Day Register online
Cardinal Newman College https://www.cardinalnewman.ac.uk/	14/10/23 11/11/23 03/02/24	Open Events at Cardinal Newman College Register online
Blackburn College https://www.blackburn.ac.uk/	26/09/23 04/10/23 18/11/23 06/02/24	4.30pm - 8pm 4.30pm - 8pm 10am - 1pm 4.30pm - 8pm
Preston College https://www.preston.ac.uk/14-19-school-leavers/	04/10/23 18/11/23 07/03/24	4pm - 7pm 10am - 2pm 4pm - 7pm
Myerscough College https://www.myerscough.ac.uk/	07/10/23 18/11/23	10am - 12.30pm 10am - 12.30pm
Queen Elizabeth Grammar Blackburn https://www.qegsblackburn.com/	26/09/23	5pm - 7pm
Bolton College www.boltoncollege.ac.uk	17/10/23 15/11/23 14/12/24 06/02/24	5pm - 8pm 5pm - 8pm 5pm - 8pm 5pm - 8pm
Clitheroe Grammar Sixth Form	Virtual please visit the website	http://www.crgs.org.uk/virtual-open-evening-holding-page/
Hutton Sixth Form Grammar	TBC	https://www.huttongrammar.org/sixth-form/open-evening-2021/
Stonyhurst College	TBC	https://www.stonyhurst.ac.uk/360-virtual-tour
Lancaster Girls' Grammar	TBC	https://www.lggs.org.uk/458/welcome-to-our-sixth-form
Training 2000 Blackburn	Ring for app	01254 54659
North Lancs. Training Group	Ring for app	01254 395355

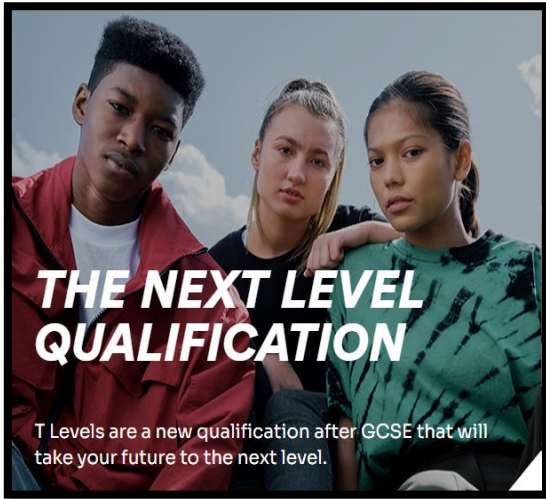


Lancaster University School of Mathematics (LUSoM) is a specialist maths and STEM sixth form in Preston. As the first purpose-built maths school in the country, we offer pupils with an exceptional aptitude and passion for mathematics to be part of a like-minded community that will not only challenge them but provide them with the necessary knowledge and skills to pursue a career in maths and STEM.

On Saturday 14th October we are holding an Open Day, where we invite any interested students to tour our building and get a glimpse into life as a LUSoM student. Please find below our timings of the day card and link for our booking form [LUSoM Open Event - Cardinal Newman College](#)



**CRGS Sixth Form
Open Evening
on
Wednesday
1st November
from
5:30pm – 7:30pm.**



What are T Levels!!!!

- T Levels are new, two-year technical education courses that will follow GCSEs and will be equivalent to 3 A Levels.
- T Levels have been developed in collaboration with employers, so that the content meets the needs of industry and prepares students for work.
- T Levels will offer students a mixture of classroom learning (80%) and 'on-the-job' experience (20%) during an industry placement of a minimum of 315 hours, with an average of 350 hours (approx. 45 days)
- T Levels provide the knowledge and experience needed to open the door into skilled employment, further study or a higher apprenticeship

[T Levels for students](#) | [T Levels T Level subjects](#) | [T Levels Resources for parents](#) | [T Levels](#)

Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships are real jobs with real employers, allowing you to work, earn a salary and gain valuable qualifications and experience. With over 600 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.

Apprenticeships combine practical training in a job with study. As an apprentice, you will:

- ✚ be an employee earning a wage and getting holiday pay
- ✚ work alongside experienced staff
- ✚ gain job-specific skills
- ✚ get time for training and study related to your role (at least 20% of your normal working hours)

Apprenticeships take 1 to 5 years to complete depending on their level.

Please visit: - <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

The ASK programme is designed to give schools, colleges and other establishments across England free support to develop and transform how students, teachers and parent think about apprenticeships. Our intention is to continue establishing Work-Based Learning as a valid and recognised route of choice including Higher Education and continued career progression. [Apprenticeships - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)



A traineeship

A traineeship is a course with work experience that gets you ready for work or an apprenticeship. It can last from 6 weeks up to 1 year, though most traineeships last for less than 6 months.

You can apply if you're:

- eligible to work in England
- unemployed and have little or no work experience
- aged 16 to 24 and qualified up to and including Level 3 (equivalent to A Level)



How to apply for a traineeship

The where, when and how of applying for a traineeship A traineeship can help your child to get the extra support they need in order to get into employment, an apprenticeship or further education. Traineeships are available all year round, so they can be applied for at any time. So, if you are thinking that a traineeship may be the next step in your journey, here's how to apply... [Find a traineeship - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

JOB OF THE WEEK

Got a job you would like to know more about.....
Let Miss Lovatt know.



GAMES TESTER

Games Tester.

Computer games testers play computer games to check they work, and find and record problems or 'bugs'.

Games tester get paid to play computer games, to check they work and suggest improvements.

Day to day tasks

In this role you could be:

- testing different levels and versions of a game
- finding the cause of faults and recommending improvements
- entering each 'bug report' on a quality management system
- comparing the game against other games on the market
- checking for spelling mistakes in the game and in instruction manuals and packaging
- reporting copyright issues like the use of logos
- checking a game's accessibility options
- working under pressure and to deadlines

The average starting salary for this job is around £15,000 per year. With experience, salaries can expect to rise to £40,000 per year.

 **WORKING HOURS**
37 to 39 a week

You could work: evenings / weekends / bank holidays; as customers demand

Working environment - You could work in a creative studio or in an office.

College

You could take a college course, which may help you to get a job as a junior tester. Courses include:

- A level in Computing
- Level 3 Diploma in Creative Media
- T level in Digital Production, Design and Development

Entry requirements

You may need:

- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, including English, maths and a creative subject
- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, including English and maths for a T level

Career path and progression

With experience, you could become a quality assurance manager or move into games marketing.

With further training, you could become a games designer, animator or developer.

PLAY GAMES
and
EARN MONEY

