



Longridge High School

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Careers Information

[October College and Sixth Form Open Event](#)

Open Events

Tue 23 Sep

4.30pm - 7.30pm

Wed 1 Oct

4.30pm - 7.30pm

Sign
up
now



blackburn.ac.uk/event



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COURSE ADVICE MORNINGS

Saturday 4th October
Saturday 15th November
Starts 10.00am



CENTRES IN PRESTON, LIVERPOOL, WARRINGTON AND MANCHESTER

[Myerscough College & University Centre Advice Morning - Preston \(October\) Tickets, Sat 4 Oct 2025 at 10:00 | Eventbrite](#)

YEAR 10 & 11

PRESTON
COLLEGE

OPEN EVENTS



SCAN TO



REGISTER

WEDNESDAY 1 OCTOBER 4PM - 7PM
SATURDAY 8 NOVEMBER 10AM - 2PM

www.preston.ac.uk/fe-open-events

SEE FACILITIES MEET STUDENTS & STAFF EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS



STONYHURST

Stonyhurst College Open Events

on Saturday 4th October 2025

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

On Thursday 9th October 2025

6.00PM – 9.00PM

Discover Stonyhurst College and St Mary's Hall Prep School at our Open Day Tour our stunning campus, meet inspiring staff and pupils, and experience our vibrant co-curricular life - from artists in action to live music and more. Explore newly renovated Playrooms and our exciting new art and design spaces and subjects for 2025-2026.

A warm, family welcome awaits as you discover the magic of Stonyhurst.

After an inspiring welcome from Headmaster John Browne, meet subject specialists, academic leaders, and current pupils to explore your options - from the focused approach of A levels to the breadth and global recognition of the IB Diploma.

Find out how our expert careers and university guidance team, alongside our enrichment programme, will prepare you for top universities and future success.

[Open Days at Stonyhurst College & Prep School](#)

Next Open Events

Oct
4
2025

College and Prep School Open Day

🕒 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

📍 Stonyhurst College

Sixth Form Open Evening

🕒 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

📍 Stonyhurst College

Oct
9
2025





**CARDINAL
NEWMAN
COLLEGE**



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. Pupils will have the opportunity to tour our purpose-built building, attend a talk from the Head of School, Peter Tiltman and speak with staff and current students to learn more about life at LUSoM.

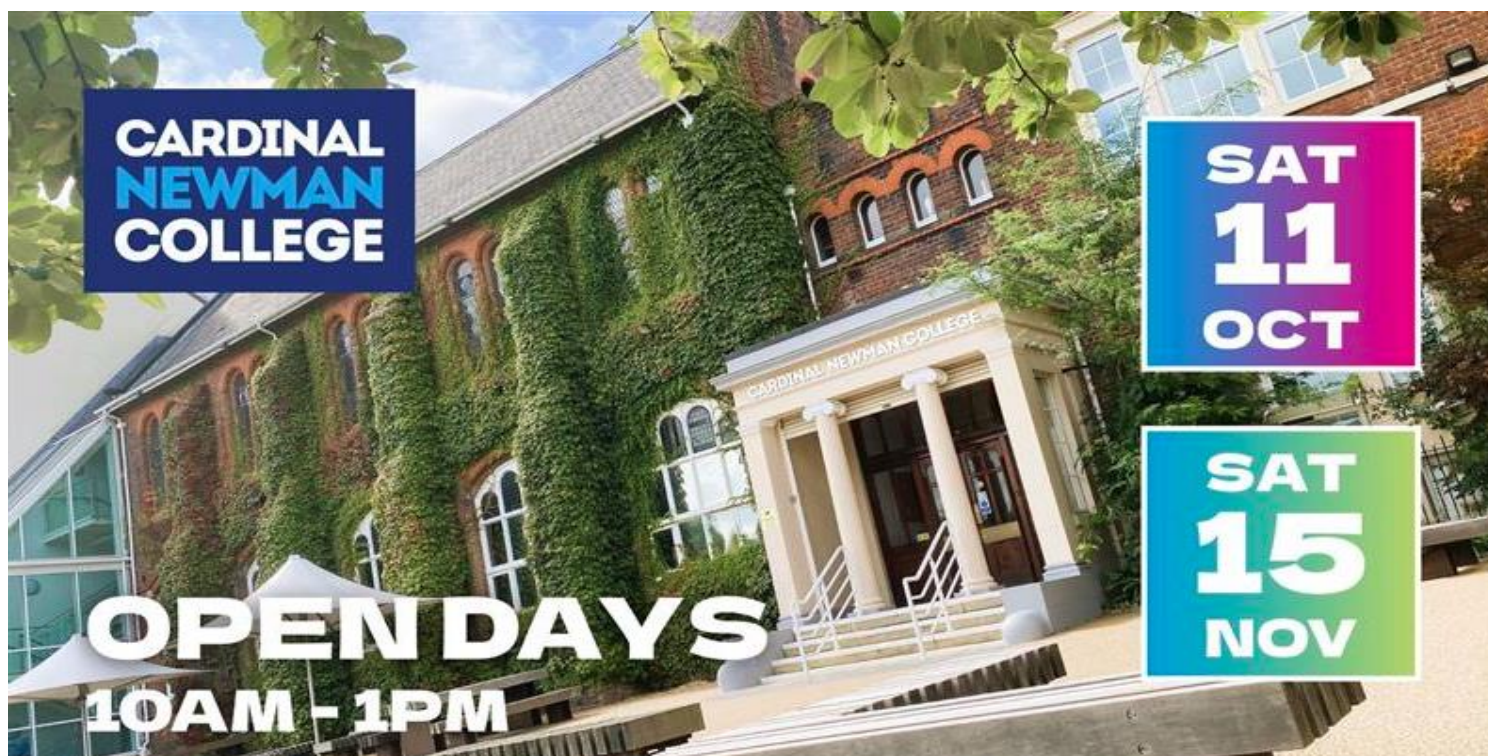
[Lancaster University School of Mathematics, Preston, Lancashire](#)

Our application form can be found on our website, or through the following link:

[CEDAR - Apply Online: Lancaster University School of Mathematics](#)



To book your place [LUSoM Open Day - Cardinal Newman College](#)



[Open Events - Cardinal Newman College](#)

Longridge High School are pleased to say all Year 10s will participate in a

Work Experience Programme

Tracy Gardiner, Director of EBP

Tracy is proud to lead an organisation that works alongside schools, businesses and partners to help shape our future workforce together.



Longridge High School is pleased to confirm that all Year 10 pupils will take part in a Work Experience Programme from

Monday 18th to Friday 22nd May 2026.

Preparations will begin with support from Tracy at the Education Business Partnership (EBP), a specialist organisation that helps schools coordinate work experience placements. EBP conducts health, safety, and welfare assessments, provides all necessary documentation, and offers guidance before, during, and after placements.

This programme offers pupils a valuable opportunity to gain first-hand experience of the workplace, helping them make more informed and realistic decisions about their future beyond 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

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'You will get out what you put in'

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

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



HSBC are excited to announce our virtual work experience opportunities, taking place in October for pupils in year groups 10-11 (Next Step). Our events take place outside of school hours, making them easily accessible for all pupils.

NEXT STEP - Year groups 10-11

Thursday 2nd October at 5pm (virtual session hosted on Zoom)

"HSBC and The Nature Trust UK - Nature Projects That Make a Difference"

- A 45-minute virtual briefing with the HSBC team
- Complete the career challenge at their own pace
- Certification awarded on completion
- [Register now!](#)



ARMY WORK EXPERIENCE

Welcome to your Army Work Experience. Are you ready to be challenged? To dig deep and discover what you are capable of? To achieve more than you think you can?

During your Work Experience you will develop important skills and personal qualities, like discipline, determination, teamwork and cooperation. You will grow in confidence and discover your full potential.

Your Army Work Experience will help you to understand and develop the following skills and positive personal qualities, in addition to the Values and Standards of the British Army.

- Personal appearance
- Attitude
- Determination
- Personal organisation and time management
- Communication
- Teamwork and cooperation
- Problem-solving
- Decision-making
- Numeracy
- Literacy

WORK EXPERIENCE

FREE Work Experience for young people who are interested in finding out more about a potential career in the British Army.





Application Form - [Virgin Media O2 Virtual Work Experience](#)

Any queries email - Virginmedia02@school-outreach.com

- > Are you aged 14-16?
- > Are you curious to learn what Virgin Media O2 is all about?
- > Are you passionate about STEM?

Virtual Work Experience Week

27th – 30th October 2025



Apply now!

Click or scan the QR code to apply with code **VMO2C3**

Our four-day programme will immerse you in the world of telecoms, help boost your potential and enhance your knowledge of Virgin Media O2 and our offerings.

You'll hear from business leaders what it's like to work in a dynamic industry, learn the latest from the world of broadband, TV, fixed line and mobile and gain insight into our purpose 'See What You Can Do!'


Explore our graduate, industrial placement and apprenticeship opportunities whilst working on a dynamic project that will help you earn your Bronze Industrial Cadets accreditation.


Hear first-hand testimony and tips from graduates, interns, apprentices and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) ambassadors! Delve into the importance of hands-on problem-solving and critical thinking skills, company and sector research.

Take control of your future and make a difference in the world around you.



Army Basic Training & Job Role Information Day

 **Date:** Saturday, 25th October 2025

 **Location:** Reserve Centre, Kimberley Barracks, Preston PR1 6PR

 **Time:** Arrive anytime between 10:00 and 11:45

Who Can Attend:

- Students in Years 10, 11, or Further Education
- Family and friends are welcome

What to Expect

15-minute presentations each hour on basic training

Interactive stands including:

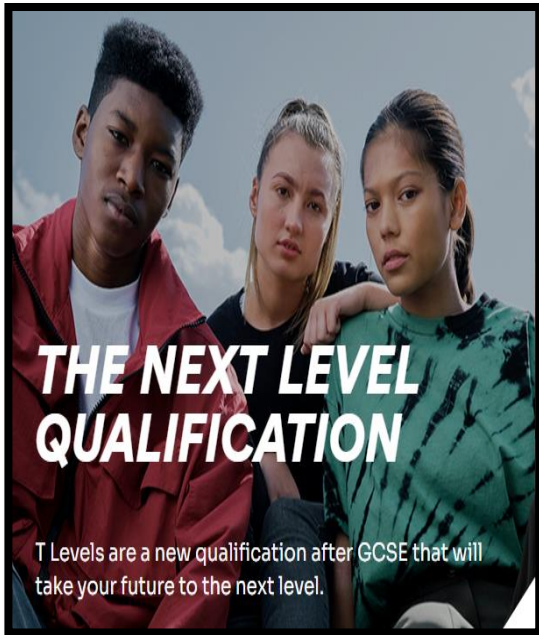
- Map Reading
- First Aid
- CBRN (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear)
- Weapon Systems
- Personal Kit & Equipment
- RA (Royal Artillery) & RLC (Royal Logistic Corps) specialist recruiters
- Application Progress Check



Booking & Contact

- To book your place: **Call:** 01772 203030

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](#)

NHS **Lancashire and South Cumbria** **Careers** **CARE**
in health and social care

T Level Information Event for Parents/Carers & Educators

SPILL THE T

Join us on for our 'Spill the Tea on T Levels at Tea Time' Webinar Live on Microsoft Teams, **Thursday 16th October, 7.00-8.00pm**

Scan the QR code to register today!

Learn more about T Levels in Health and how they could support your child's bright future! An opportunity not to be missed - aimed at **parents and school staff.**

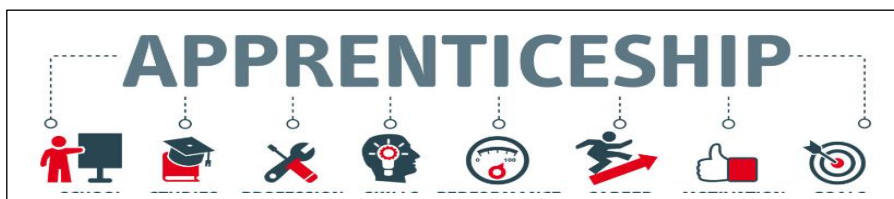
With **testimonies** from Health T Level students and NHS and Social Care staff plus a **15 minute Q&A!**

T-LEVELS
THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

[Spill the Tea Webinar Sign up - October 2025](#)

Apprenticeships

How apprenticeships work



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>



Amazing Apprenticeships is a leading organisation in the education sector.

[Amazing Apprenticeships | Explore Technical Education & Apprenticeship](#)

[Resources - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

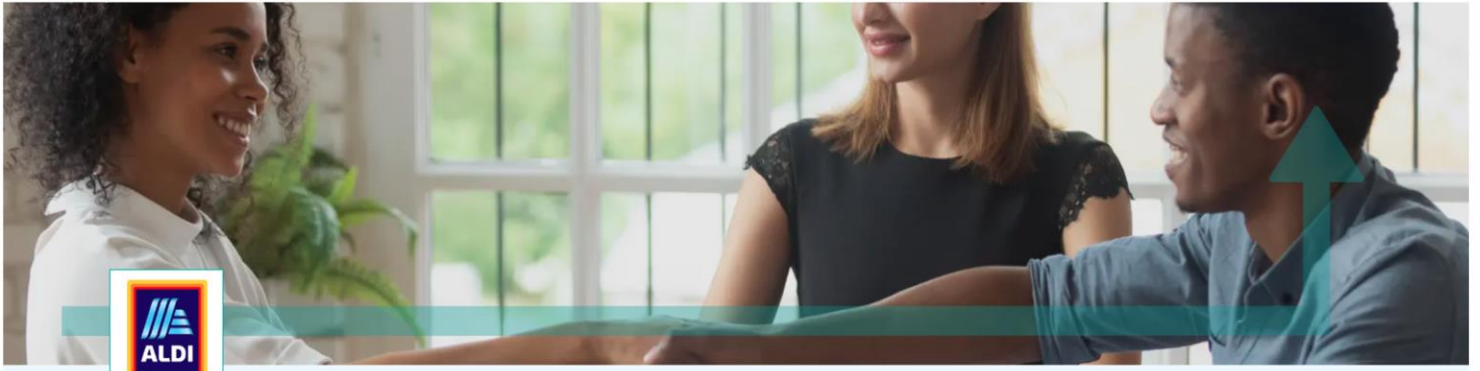
For over a decade we have been working to tackle misconceptions about apprenticeships and technical education, promote their benefits, and push the boundaries of what the sector can do. Working with teachers, government and leading employers, we've already brought about a culture change in schools across England. And we're only just getting started.



[Step-by-step guide to applying](#)

Your step-by-step guide to
**APPLYING FOR
AN APPRENTICESHIP**

Information and advice for every step of the application process



[Jobs & Careers | Aldi Recruitment UK](#)

We're the UK's fourth largest supermarket, with over 1,000 stores across the UK (not to mention our growing global presence). But we know our success has only been possible thanks to our amazing Aldi colleagues. That's why we celebrate everyone's achievements, offer competitive pay and create great working environments. And that's how we've become a multi award-winning employer - but it's the least we can do. We know that our people make Aldi mean even more.

Everything you need to know about our apprenticeships

Looking to kick-start your career or drive it in a different direction?

Our apprenticeships are an amazing option if you want to jump headfirst into the world of work and achieve a nationally recognised qualification -all while getting paid!

Learning and earning... Sounds pretty good right?

We're on the lookout for friendly and motivated people - with bags of common-sense - to join Team Aldi on our Stores, Warehouse, Driver and Buying apprenticeships - and you never know, it could be you next!

What you'll get...

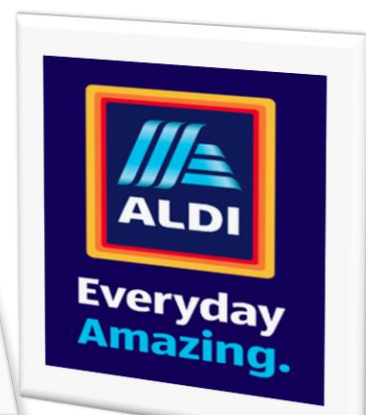
- ✚ Real hands-on practical experience and the theoretical knowledge you need to build a successful career in retail
- ✚ Mentoring support from our world-class colleagues and a designated training provider, so you have the skills and confidence you need to hit the ground running
- ✚ Paid time to study - no matter which programme you choose

What are you waiting for?

- ✚ Many of our amazing apprentices have gone on to have incredible life-long careers at Aldi and even progressed into management roles.
- ✚ If you want to earn a lot while you learn – with one of Britain's fastest growing retailers – and get real opportunities and even better benefits, then check out our apprenticeship programmes!

Our ideal candidate

- ✚ We want to hear from you, no matter your background.



JOB OF THE WEEK

RETAIL BUYER

Annual salaries
£18,000 to £25,000 per year.
Experience Retail Buyers can expect to earn
£18,000 to £25,000 per year.

Retail buyers choose products for shops to sell, like clothing, toys, electrical goods and food.

Your day-to-day tasks may include:

- Analysing and forecasting trends from consumer data.
- Attending trade fairs to find new products.
- Managing product quality and getting customer feedback.
- Negotiating prices, orders and delivery dates.
- Presenting collections to senior managers.
- Tracking sales figures, managing stock levels and keeping to budgets.
- Checking and reacting to competitor activities.
- Adapting quickly to changing consumer behaviour.

What skills are required?

- The ability to work well with others.
- To be flexible and open to change.
- Maths knowledge.
- To be thorough and pay attention to detail.
- Customer service skills.
- The ability to sell products and services.
- The ability to accept criticism and work well under pressure.
- The ability to use your initiative.
- Excellent verbal communication skills.
- To be able to carry out basic tasks on a computer or hand-held device.



Work Experience - It's possible to get experience in retail on the shopfloor, in visual merchandising, or as an admin assistant in a buyer's office. You can then spend time learning, doing training and getting qualifications on the job.

Career Path & Progression - With experience and training you could become a senior buyer, buying controller or head of buying. You could also move into product management, marketing or merchandising.

WORKING HOURS

38 to 40 a week

You could work: evenings; attending events or appointments

Working Environment - You could work in an office or at a store.

You can get into this job through:

- a college course.
- an apprenticeship.
- working towards this role.
- a graduate training scheme.

College - You could do a course at college to get some of the skills needed to work in retail. Examples are:

- Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Retail Operations.
- Level 2 Diploma in Fashion Retail.
- Level 3 Diploma in Retail Skills.

A course like this may help you to get your first job. You could then move into buying as your experience grows.

Entry requirements

You will usually need:

2 or more GCSEs at grades 9 to 3 (A* to D), or equivalent, for a level 2 course

4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, for a level 3 course

You might start your career with a retail team leader advanced apprenticeship or retail manager higher apprenticeship before moving into the buying side.

You could also apply to do a buying and merchandising assistant higher or degree apprenticeship.

THE SAVVY
RETAIL
BUYERS

[JOB OF THE WEEK - EPISODE #17 - RETAIL BUYER - YouTube](#)

[Careerpilot: Job sectors: Retail: Job profiles: Retail buyer](#)