



# Longridge High School

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**Myerscough**  
College & University Centre  
EMPOWERING FUTURES  
Since 1894

## COURSE ADVICE MORNINGS

**Saturday 15th November**  
**Saturday 6th December\***  
Starts 10.00am

\* Preston and Liverpool only

School Leavers | University Degrees | Apprenticeships



**CENTRES IN PRESTON, LIVERPOOL, WARRINGTON AND MANCHESTER**

Myerscough College open event for Year 11s and Year 10s is Saturday 15 November 10am start

There is additional information at: <https://www.myerscough.ac.uk/whats-on/>



**RUNSHAW COLLEGE**

*You are invited to our*

# Open Event

Saturday **15 November** 10am - 2pm

At Runshaw College Open Event you will have the chance to meet our teachers and enjoy our lovely campus, whilst finding out everything you need to know about your next steps! We can't wait to say hi & show you why we're so proud of our lovely college here at Runshaw

**Registration is open!**

**Saturday 15th November 2025**  
**10.00am-2.00pm**

Book online

[Runshaw College – Open Day](#)

15th November  
10am - 1pm



# SATURDAY OPEN EVENT

*See you there.*

[blackburn.ac.uk](http://blackburn.ac.uk)

## School Engagement Team Newsletter

Book online [November College and Sixth Form Open Event](#)

### *Meet the team*

#### ***Elisha- Student Recruitment and Engagement Lead***

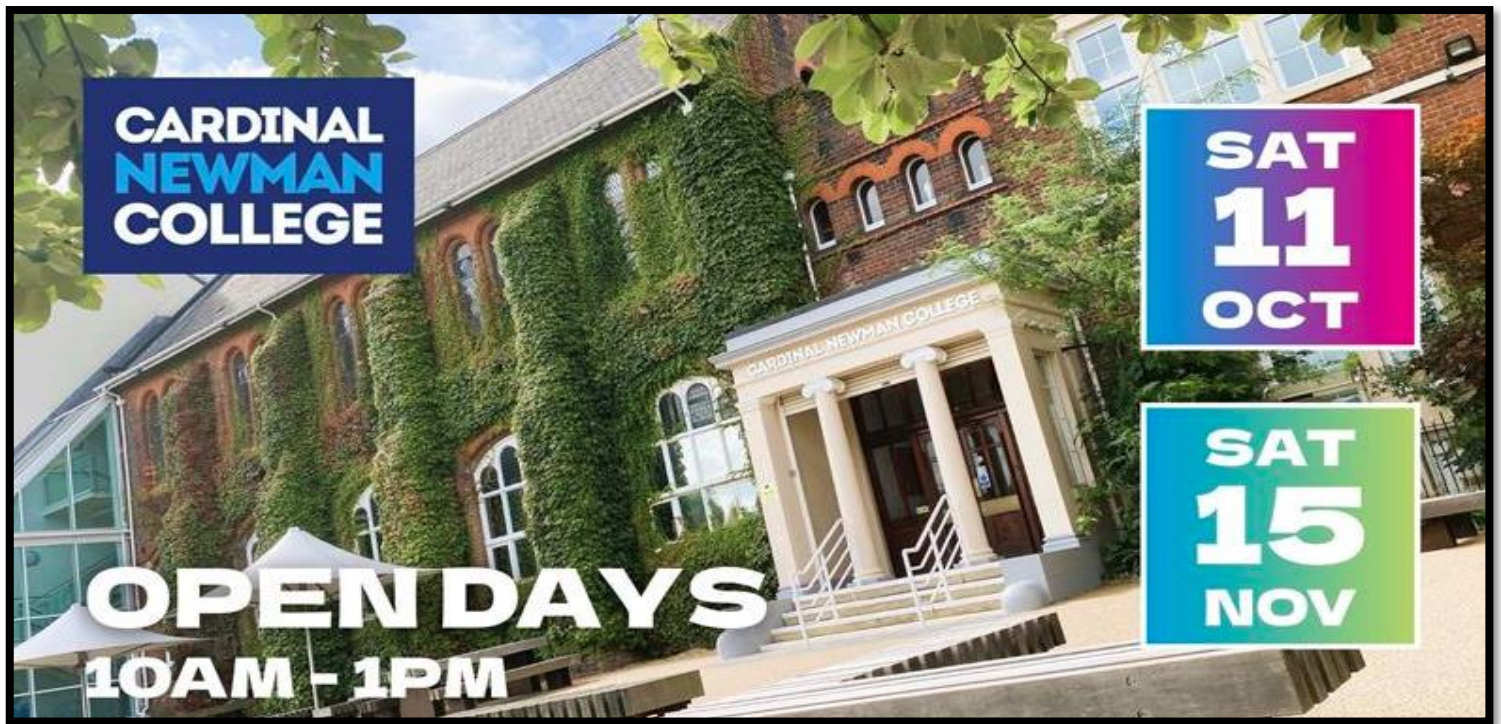
With over 4 years experience working in education and supporting young people throughout their journey. I will be one the faces you see out and about in schools and I'm here to arrange any opportunities for your school or pupils which will help them explore their interests further.



#### ***Nisha- Student Recruitment Coordinator***

With nearly four years of experience in education, I'm passionate about helping young people shape their future educational journeys. I'm here to provide guidance, encouragement, and simply being a familiar face in your schools and around the College.





Newman College open event for Year 11s and Year 10s is Saturday 15 November 10am – 1pm.

Book online [Open Events - Cardinal Newman College](#)

## LUSoM Taster Day - Saturday 15th November, 10:00 - 12:30

**Hello Longridge High School**

With our Taster Day only a few days away and we want to inform you of this fantastic opportunity for your high attaining mathematics students to experience what it is like to study here at LUSoM.

When students sign up they can be asked to attend 3 taster lessons, one being Maths and two additional subjects of their choice from Chemistry, Computer Science and Physics.

Staff and current students will be in attendance, equipped to support with any queries students may have about life at LUSoM. The admissions team will also be available to answer queries about the application process.

If you have any students that may be interested in attending, please find the booking link and timings for the day below to share with them.

Book online [LUSoM Taster Day - Cardinal Newman](#)

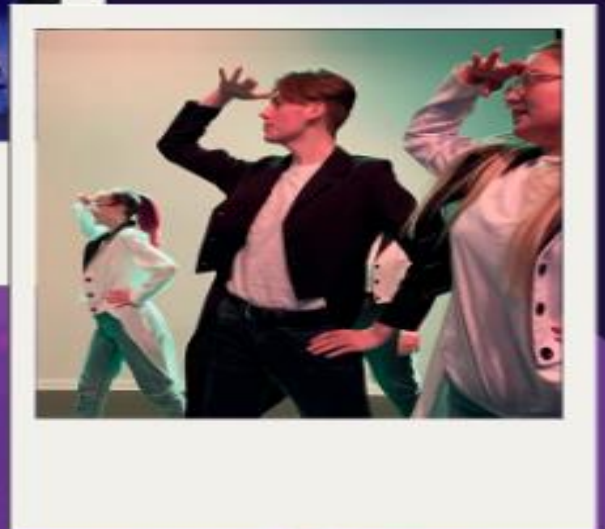
## Taster Day

**Saturday 15th November - 10:00 - 12:30**

# A DANCE AND MUSICAL THEATRE SHOWCASE



**7PM**  
NEWMAN  
THEATRE



**11 & 12**  
**DECEMBER**  
**2025**

Tickets £6/4 on  
WisePay or  
call Finance on  
01772 460 181



# DANCE TASTER EVENING

**FREE PRE-SHOW DANCE WORKSHOP**

**YEAR**  
**10 & 11**

**11**  
**DECEMBER**  
**2025**

Watch the show for free afterwards!

To book your place email:

[cardinalcollective@cardinalnewman.ac.uk](mailto:cardinalcollective@cardinalnewman.ac.uk)

**5.30PM - 6.15PM**



## 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

## 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](#)

# JOB OF THE WEEK

## ZOOKEEPER

**ANNUAL SALARY**  
£21,000 to £25,000.

**Zookeepers** look after animals in zoos, safari parks and aquariums.

**Your day-to-day tasks will include:**

- ✚ Prepare food and feed animals
- ✚ Clean out enclosures and change bedding
- ✚ Check for signs of distress or disease
- ✚ Work with a vet to care for sick animals
- ✚ Check enclosures for signs of wear or damage
- ✚ Monitor conditions like temperature and humidity
- ✚ Keep daily healthcare records on paper and computer

**Skills required and how your skills match up**

You will need:

- ✓ the ability to work well with others
- ✓ to be thorough and pay attention to detail
- ✓ excellent verbal communication skills
- ✓ the ability to use your initiative
- ✓ customer service skills
- ✓ the ability to work well with your hands
- ✓ to be flexible and open to change
- ✓ patience and the ability to remain calm in stressful situations
- ✓ thinking and reasoning skills
- ✓ to be able to carry out basic tasks on a computer or hand-held device

**Work Experience** - You can volunteer in a zoo or wildlife centre to get experience. This will be important, as there's a lot of competition for trainee jobs. You could get experience volunteering at:

- ✚ kennels, farms or riding stables
- ✚ animal sanctuaries or rescue homes

Any experience you can get working with the public will also be helpful preparation for educating visitors to the zoo. Many animal charities offer opportunities to promote animal welfare directly to the public, or online, through social media campaigns.

**Career Path & Progression** – In larger zoos, wildlife parks or aquariums, you could progress from keeper to team leader or head keeper. You might need to be willing to relocate to another part of the country to work your way up into higher positions, as competition for senior jobs can be tough.

With experience and a degree, you could become a curator. You could also move into education or conservation research.



[JOB OF THE WEEK - EPISODE #23 - YOUTH WORKER - YouTube](#)

[Careerpilot: Job sectors: Animal: Job profiles: Zookeeper](#)

**Working Environment and Hours**

37 to 40 hours a week. You could work: evenings / weekends / bank holidays; on shifts. You could work: evenings / weekends; on a rota

You may need to wear a uniform and protective clothing. You could work at a zoo or at a wildlife park.

Your working environment may be outdoors in all weathers and physically demanding.

You can get into this job through:

- A university course
- A college course
- An apprenticeship
- Working towards this role

**College**

You could do a course before applying to a zoo for a trainee zookeeper's job. Relevant courses include:

- Level 3 Extended Diploma in Animal Management
- Level 3 Diploma in Animal Care or Animal Science
- Biology A level

**Entry requirements: -**

5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A\* to C), or equivalent, including English, maths and science.

**Apprenticeship**

You could start by doing an intermediate or advanced apprenticeship in animal care or animal care and welfare. This may help you to get a job as a trainee keeper with a zoo. You could also do a keeper or aquarist advanced apprenticeship, depending on where you work. You may be able to specialise in training zoo animals by completing an animal trainer higher apprenticeship.

**Entry requirements: -**

Some GCSEs, usually including English and maths, or equivalent, for an intermediate apprenticeship 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A\* to C), or equivalent, including English and maths, for an advanced apprenticeship