



Longridge High School

Excellence and ambition from all, for all

Careers Information

Year 11 Careers Day - Wednesday 21st January 2026

The day proved to be an outstanding success. The pupils responded with immense enthusiasm, showing overwhelmingly positive attitudes toward every aspect of the experience. Our core aim was to encourage them to step completely outside their comfort zones, and we are proud to say they rose to the challenge exceptionally well. Throughout the day, they engaged confidently and respectfully with college staff, university representatives, and employers, demonstrating maturity, curiosity, and a real willingness to learn from everyone involved.

Thank you to our local Colleges, Training Providers and Employers for an excellent Careers Day on Wednesday 21st January 2026. Pupils experienced both College and Employer interviews and then received constructive feedback on their performance to enable them to improve their future opportunities. The day was a huge success, with local employers commenting on how impressed they were with the pupils and the arrangements at Longridge High School, noting:

★ Overall Summary

Feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with employers praising the organisation, the structure of the day, and especially the maturity and engagement of the students. Several commented that it was one of the best careers events they have attended.

👤 Student Behaviour & Engagement

- Students were repeatedly described as polite, mature, enthusiastic and well-prepared.
- Guests noted how engaged they were, asking lots of thoughtful questions.
- Many described the year group as excellent, outstanding or a credit to LHS.

🏠 Organisation & Structure

- The event was widely praised as well-organised and well hosted.
- The structure that ensured pupils visited every stand was seen as very effective.
- Speed networking was particularly liked.
- Y10 helpers received multiple positive mentions.

💡 Value of the Day

- Employers felt they had genuine opportunities to share advice, tips and insight.
- It was clear to visitors that careers and CV development are priorities at Priory.
- Activities such as learning to read a job description were seen as essential skills.

👏 Specific Appreciations

- Guests appreciated being well looked after throughout the day.
- The improved room temperature and environment were noted as a positive change from last year.

🌟 Standout Comment

One visitor said: *"Done lots of these events and this is by far the best I have been to."*

Two interactive workshops were delivered during the day. The first focused on apprenticeships and was led by Preston College, providing pupils with a clearer understanding of how apprenticeships work and the benefits they can offer.



You must have all 3 of these for an apprenticeship to take place:

- Apprentice
- Training Provider
- Employer

[Apprenticeships - Preston College](#)

A technical programme where you are paid to learn

As of April 2026, the minimum wage will be £8.00 per hour (approximately £16,500 per year)

Opportunity to gain real life working experience

Gain a nationally recognised qualification

- ✚ Recognised Apprenticeship Standard
- ✚ Embedded qualifications – Certificate / Diploma / HNC / HND
- ✚ From Level 2 up to Degree Level Apprenticeships (No student debt!)
- ✚ Gain UCAS tariff points on the successful completion of an Apprenticeship Standard

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WHO WE WORK WITH...

We work with hundreds of businesses and organisations across the region who employ apprentices within a number of industry areas.

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The second workshop, *The Power of the Mind*, was delivered by the University of Lancashire and encouraged pupils to consider mindset, confidence and ambition when thinking about their



University of Lancashire

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What will you get.....

- ✚ To know how your brain stores information and makes memories.
- ✚ To understand which of the revision activities work for you.
- ✚ To know how to avoid distractions when revising.

Why is this session important?

- ✚ Boosting revision and exam skills will allow you to reach your potential.
- ✚ Think about some of the career options open to you.
- ✚ How your brain works (Neuroscience/Psychology & Criminology)

The science of the brain!



Short term memory	Long term memory
Hold information for a short time (seconds to minutes)	Holds information for a long period of time weeks/months/years
Holds between 4 – 8 pieces of information at a time	Holds vast amounts of information, no limits
Allows you to respond to the immediate situation quickly	Stores knowledge for future use



THANK YOU TO OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES, TRAINING PROVIDERS AND COLLEGES FOR PROVIDING EXCELLENT ADVICE TO OUR PUPILS ON THE CAREERS DAY.











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Feb Open Event

Tue 3 Feb 2026
4.30pm - 7.30pm



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