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Upcoming Events

7 November	Year 8 Trip to Capital One HQ (SIGN UP)
12 November	Year 10 Trip to School and College Leavers Festival (SIGN UP)
14 November	Year 10 Trip to Capital One HQ (SIGN UP)
20 November	Year 10 GCSE Drama Workshop from Coventry College
4 December	University Talk for Year 11

Parents/Carers/Alumni - If you could help to support events in 24/25, please contact **careers@harriscofeacademy.co.uk**

www.harris.covmat.org/careers-hub-1/



In keeping with our commitment to provide students with outstanding careers guidance and tailored support, we will now be using Unifrog; an award-winning, online platform. All students in Years 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 will have access to this website. This website will replace our previous system, Grofar.

Unifrog is designed to support learners in making the most informed decisions about their futures and has a range of tools that are suitable for all year groups. Each student has their own account where they can explore all the career and next step options available to them and find information on everything from managing their workload to writing a winning CV. Students have access to a wide variety of video and written content, and interactive quizzes and tests, including:

Section of the platform	Examples of what students can do	Year groups
Quizzes	Finding their interests, personality type, preferred work environment, and skillset.	7-11
Exploring pathways	Explore careers, career sectors, subjects, sign up to free webinars, explore MOOCs and courses, and find wider reading materials.	7-11
Recording what you've done	Record their in-class and extracurricular activities, record examples of their skills, and see the record of CEIAG events the school has added to their accounts.	7-11
Searching for opportunities	Find scholarships, activities, and bursaries to support their HE journey. Find and compare degrees in the UK and overseas, live apprenticeships, and FE courses.	10-11
Application materials / Making applications	Write their CV, cover letter, Personal Statement, and more. Track their applications and record their Post 16 / 18 intentions.	10-11

Students will access the platform for the first time in PSHE lessons after half term. They sign in to Unifrog using their email address and password and they can do so from any computer, tablet or smartphone. We would encourage parents to use the platform with them to support them through the process of deciding their next step. Students will also be able to access Unifrog when they leave Harris.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Year 10 Work Experience
19 - 23 May 2025

**Year 10! Use your half term to find a
work experience placement**

Some of the companies from last year...



CAREERS DROP-IN

- Ask your careers questions
- Support with applications
- What to do after Year 11?
- Work experience help

Where? Library
When? Tuesday lunchtimes
careers@harris.covmat.org



[Click for the Work Experience Info Pack](#)

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WORK EXPERIENCE

INVESTIN | THE ULTIMATE WORK EXPERIENCE

Weekend Career Opportunities

Choose your career, maximise your potential



We're excited to share that our weekend programmes are now open for registration! This November, we're running weekend programmes for students aged 15-18 with 15 exciting careers to choose from, such as medicine, architecture, investment banking, law and many more. Our weekend programmes provide

students with the perfect introduction to an industry, where they can meet top professionals, participate in interactive career simulations and build practical skills to prepare for their future career. What's more, students will gain real-life experience as well as a personalised certificate to boost future university applications!

View Programmes

IN-PERSON



Taking place at UCL in London, our in-person programmes allow students to fully immerse themselves in the day in the life of a professional in London.

ONLINE



Our online programmes are delivered live by our industry experts. Nothing is pre-recorded and all our content is carefully curated to be interactive and engaging.

Bursary Places Available

We are pleased to offer bursary places to eligible students through our partner school initiative.

[Learn More](#)



The Impact of AI

A study by ServiceNow has projected the creation of 610,000 new AI related role in the UK by 2028. Major growth sectors will include education and health care.

- Healthcare: AI is expected to improve patient care through diagnostic tools and predictive analytics, leading to more jobs in AI-driven health solutions, but it could reduce the need for some administrative roles.
- Finance: AI-driven fintech solutions will automate many traditional banking roles, while also increasing demand for cybersecurity, fraud detection, and AI auditing roles.
- Education: AI in education, including personalized learning platforms, will create opportunities for educators to focus on more complex tasks like creative thinking and emotional development.

It is important to be aware of the **skills** that will be in demand in an AI-driven job market:

- Computer and information system management
- Software development
- Data engineering competencies
- As AI takes over more routine tasks, there will be rising demand for human skills like critical thinking, interpersonal communication and creativity.

How can AI tools help me in my career journey?

- to assess and match individual skills to career, training or education pathways
- help you with a CV
- create an action plan
- generate interview questions to help you prepare
- research employers

Some AI tools are given on the next page.

£ Please be aware that some may charge.

Free tools exist such as ChatGPT & Notebook LM.

How to use AI to support your career development

Artificial Intelligence is already having a significant impact on the way we work and is rapidly evolving our roles.

Using AI to support your development is a great way of turning technology into an advantage for your career. It also creates a reason to experiment and learn about tools that lots of people are talking about.

Tried and tested tools



Writing a CV or resume **Try Kickresume**

They say: "Kickresume lets you create a stunning resume, cover letter, or a personal website. Whatever content you provide it with, Kickresume will make it look better."

We say: A great place to start with your CV that does 70% of the hard work for you (providing your LinkedIn is up to date).



Prepare for an interview **Try Interview School**

They say: "Interview School is mock-interview software that provides you with up-to-date interview questions and AI-assisted feedback."

We say: Great for practicing your responses to different questions. Not reflective of real life interview interaction (yet)



Delivering a great presentation **Try Poised**

They say: "Poised is the AI-powered communication coach that helps you speak with confidence and clarity."

We say: Very useful feedback on how you come across in meetings and presentations with quick insights to help you adapt and improve.



Learn fast and make it last **Try Video Highlight**

They say: "Video Highlight is the fastest way to summarize and take notes from videos."

We say: A super fast way to transcribe videos from YouTube into useful summaries. Brilliant to remember and reflect on the key points after you've watched.



Research roles and companies **Try Google Bard**

They say: "Bard is your creative and helpful collaborator to supercharge your imagination, boost productivity, and bring ideas to life."

We say: Similar functionality to ChatGPT. Provided an accurate insight to the culture of different companies.



Speed read reports **Try Wordtune**

They say: "Wordtune Read saves you time by highlighting the key information of any text. Scan your PDF or online article and get the short summary of every section in seconds."

We say: A brilliant first filter of a report but don't rely on it to replace your intuition about what's most interesting.



Advice and support **Try Hey Pi**

They say: "Pi is your personal AI, designed to be supportive, smart, and there for you anytime."

We say: Good preparation for a career conversation or for a light version of career coaching. A starting point, but not a substitute.



Improve your writing **Try Grammarly**

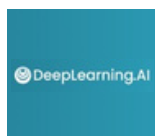
They say: "Grammarly helps you write mistake-free in any app you use. Write Better in Seconds."

We say: Once you download, it pops up everywhere you write (useful and a bit annoying). Efficient way of improving your writing. Grammarly Go can also create first drafts for you.

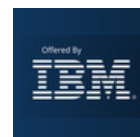
Recommended resources



National AI Strategy
Links to a range of learning resources from the the UK Govt.



AI for Everyone
Free course from Coursera produced by Andrew Ng



Introduction to AI
Free programme from IBM covering key applications and terms.

Subject Spotlight: Computing



Air Traffic Controller	Airline Pilot	Architectural Technologist
Astronomer	CAD Technician	Computer Forensic Analyst
Database Administrator	Digital Imaging Specialist	Forensic Scientist
Front End Developer	Games Designer	Games Programmer
Games Tester	Geophysicist	Government Intelligence Officer/Analyst
Helicopter Pilot	Illustrator	IT Helpdesk Analyst
IT Security	IT Support Engineer	IT Trainer
Management Consultant	Manufacturing Systems Engineer	Mathematician
Medical Physicist	Network Engineer or Manager	Nuclear Engineer
Operational Research Officer	Patent Examiner	Physicist
Project Manager	Signaller	Software Engineer or Developer
Systems Analyst	Teacher	Technical Support Engineer
Telecommunications Engineer	Web Developer	

Computer Scientists...

- Are **interested** in technology
- Show **curiosity** about how things work
- Demonstrate **creativity**
- Think **logically**
- Are able to **solve problems**
- Show **resilience** when problems are hard!
- Work well with others in a **team**





Webinars & Events

Introducing IChemE's virtual work experience

Discover and explore what it's like to be a chemical or process engineer working in different industries with our virtual work experience programme 'Engineering a Sustainable World'. Aimed at students aged 14 to 18 years, it's full of engaging content to get stuck into, and students can download a certificate at the end. Through interactive online activities, students will discover:

- different career routes
- skills to help employability
- where chemical and process engineers work

Students can also try a real-world task, called a sprint, and will be guided through the task by an engineer working in the energy sector. Students will practise:

- problem-solving
- mathematical skills
- applying existing knowledge in a new setting
- interpreting an engineer's process flow diagram

[Young people's link to VWEX: Engineering a Sustainable World – Work Experience with IChemE](#)

[Young people's link to the Sprint : IChemE Sprint: Process Engineering in the Energy Sector](#)

Get Into Medicine Conferences

- Saturday 26th October, 9:30am – 3:30pm
- Sunday 27th October, 9:30am – 3:30pm

[Register here](#)

Get Into Dentistry Conference

- Sunday 10th November, 9:30am – 3:30pm

[Register here](#)

All aspiring doctors and dentists in years 10–12 are invited to register.

These conferences offer tailored advice for medicine and dentistry, covering a range of crucial topics:

- Tactically choosing universities – Personal statements – UCAT – Medical & Dental school interview skills – Medical Leadership Programmes – Awards Programmes – Extracurricular activities – Work experience – Building a CV – Applying for scholarships

Competitions

Competitions help students to develop key employability skills

*effective team work – communicating with others – problem-solving
– time-management –*

Faber and the National Literacy Trust are launching a competition and event for schools to celebrate seventy years of Lord of the Flies, and its publication as a graphic novel for the first time.

They are challenging pupils across the UK to create their own diary entry from the island, imagining themselves in the shoes of one of the boys or as if they have landed there with them. It could be your first day there, after the crash, alone and lost on beautiful, empty beaches. Or it could be day seven, when you've explored your surroundings and rescue is looking less and less likely – what does your camp look like? And how are things with the other islanders?

The winning entry has the chance to win:

- Copies of the Lord of the Flies graphic novel for the winner and their class
- Signed prints from Aimée de Jongh from the graphic novel for the winner and their class
- A book token worth £50
- A selection of twenty YA Faber books for the school library

For more information or to enter click [here](#)

Discover a career without limits.

The Infinity Game



Infinity
FutureFirst



Discover a career without limits.

Take the quiz and explore Physics careers that might be for you. The results might surprise you...



Future Financial Adviser is a digital community providing career advice, peer-to-peer connections, mentors, events, and career opportunities within the financial-advice sector.

Join them for 40-minute webinars for students, covering;

Get the skills you need to secure your first job: personal branding, CV and interview tips, 20th November 2024, register [here](#).

How to win on LinkedIn and impress employers, 29th January 2025, registration details coming soon

SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENINGS

CHECK THE SCHOOL WEBSITES FOR MORE DETAILS AND HOW TO BOOK TO ATTEND



Lawrence Sherriff - 2 October - 6 - 8pm ✓

Bilton School - 3 October - 5 - 7.30pm ✓

Lutterworth College - 3 October - 4.30 - 7pm ✓

Rugby Free Secondary School - 10 October - 5 - 7.45pm ✓

Ashlawn School - 17 October - 5 - 8pm ✓

Southam College - 7 November - 6 - 8pm

Rugby High School - 7 November - 5.30 - 8.30pm

COLLEGE OPEN EVENINGS

CHECK THE COLLEGE
WEBSITES FOR MORE DETAILS



Stratford - Saturday 9 November 10am - 2pm

Moulton - Saturday 16 November 9am - 1pm

Coventry - Tuesday 3 December 5.15pm – 7pm

Moreton Morrell - Saturday 11 January 10am - 1pm

Leamington - Tuesday 14 January 5.30 - 8pm

Warwick Trident - Thursday 16 January 5.30 - 8pm

Rugby - Tuesday 21 January 5.30 - 8pm



JOIN HARRIS ALUMNI



Are you an ex-Harris student?

We are building our alumni network and organising an event soon to help inspire current students. As a Harris student you will always be a special part of our history. By keeping in touch as part of our alumni network you could be an important part of our future too.

SIGN UP HERE



LinkedIn



Google Forms



WHY STAY CONNECTED?

- Inspire current students – share knowledge and experience to help others. We are organising a future event and would like to create Alumni posters.
- Boost your CV – volunteer and gain experience and references.
- Stay connected – stay up to date with latest news and stay in touch with your peers.