

EDITION 7 : 24/25
MARCH

HARRIS CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY



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2 April	Year 9 Trip – Future Careers Fair, Hill Street Centre, Rugby
19 – 23 May	Year 10 Work Experience
16 June	Proactive Young People Careers Workshop
17 June	Careers in the Fire Service – Q&A and Year 8 Assembly
10 July	Big Bang Fair

Upcoming Events

Parents/Carers/Alumni – If you could help to support events in 24/25, please contact careers@harris.covmat.org



Your Future: Exploring Jobs and Careers

Navigating career options can feel overwhelming, but understanding Labour Market Information (LMI) can make it easier. LMI refers to data about jobs, industries, salaries, and future employment trends. It helps students and parents make informed decisions about career paths, subject choices, and further education.

Why is LMI Important?

- **Informed Decisions:** Knowing which sectors are growing can help students choose careers with strong job prospects.
- **Career Exploration:** LMI provides insights into different roles, required qualifications, and average salaries.
- **Local Insights:** Understanding what industries are prominent in your region can highlight local opportunities.

What's happening in Rugby?

- **Key Sectors:** The region boasts a diverse economy with strengths in sectors such as advanced manufacturing, digital and creative industries, and logistics.
- **Local Employers:** Major employers in the area include automotive companies, technology firms, and distribution centres, offering a range of opportunities for young people.

Where can I find out more?

- **National Careers Service:** Provides detailed job profiles, skills required, and salaries.

Website: www.nationalcareers.service.gov.uk

- **Careerpilot:** Provides detailed job profiles, skills required, and salaries.

Website: www.careerpilot.org.uk

- **Unifrog:** All Harris students have access to Unifrog..

Website: www.unifrog.org

- **Harris Careers Hub:** Links to load of useful careers websites.

Websites: www.harris.covmat.org/useful-careers-websites/

Exploring LMI can build confidence and set you on a path to a fulfilling career. If you have questions or would like further support, contact the school's careers adviser – careers@harris.covmat.org

Stay informed, explore your options, and plan your future with confidence!



Year 10 Work Experience

19–23 May

We only have 6 weeks until Year 10 students go on their work experience placements. We still have many students without placements recorded on Unifrog.

1. Log your placement on Unifrog

Any placements that have been arranged must be logged on **Unifrog**. This allows us to check insurance and risk assessments. You can not go on work experience unless it has been agreed by the employer, parent and school on Unifrog. See the Careers Adviser for support in logging your placement.

2. Keep contacting companies

It can take time to get work experience and you might get some 'no's' before you find someone who will agree to take you for the week. Keep sending emails, phoning or visiting and don't give up. If you have personal contacts through friends or family, use these.

3. Ask your Tutor for help

Your Tutor can help with sending emails and also has access to a contact list of companies who have offered work experience before.

4. Look into virtual work experience

If you are struggling to find an in-person placement, you could look at online work experience. This still needs recording on Unifrog as a virtual placement – see the Careers Adviser. Springpod is a good place to start – sign up for a free account. www.springpod.com/virtual-work-experience

5. Deadline

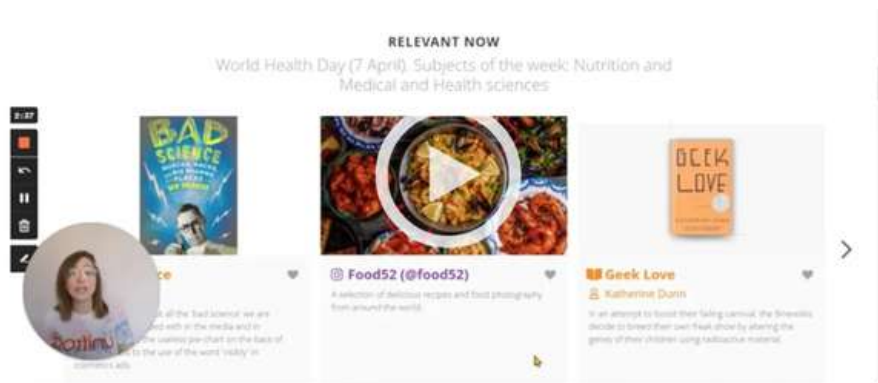
All work experience must be logged on Unifrog by Friday 2 May.

Good luck with your search, and make the most of your work experience week!

Read, Watch, Listen

The Unifrog logo, featuring the word "unifrog" in white lowercase letters on a green rectangular background.

The Read, Watch, Listen tool is full of resources to expand students' knowledge in things you're interested in: from apps to articles, music to podcasts, and videos to social media accounts.



On the Read, Watch, Listen tool, you can:

- Search by what's relevant now, keyword, school subject, category, genre, vibe, publication date, interest, career area, subject area, or what's trending
- Filter by things like subject area, tone, or the creator's characteristics
- Favourite profiles you like so you can come back to them easily

To get started, log into Unifrog and open the Read, Watch, Listen tool in the Exploring opportunities section by clicking 'Start' or 'Go to tool'.

Once you've applied all the filters and keywords you're interested in, you'll have a shorter list of profiles that you can browse through.

Once you've opened a profile, you'll see it contains a brief description and a link to access it elsewhere online. If you've searched by 'Watch' or chosen a video, there may be the option to play the video directly in the tool.



Use your Harris email to access Unifrog. Click "Forgot Password" to reset your password.

Top 10 jobs teens want



Doctor has topped the list of jobs teenagers want when they're older for the second year running, with vet and police officer moving up in the rankings, according to the annual BBC Bitesize Careers survey.

Pilot entered the top 10 for the first time, while doctor, engineer and teacher remained the top three most popular choices.

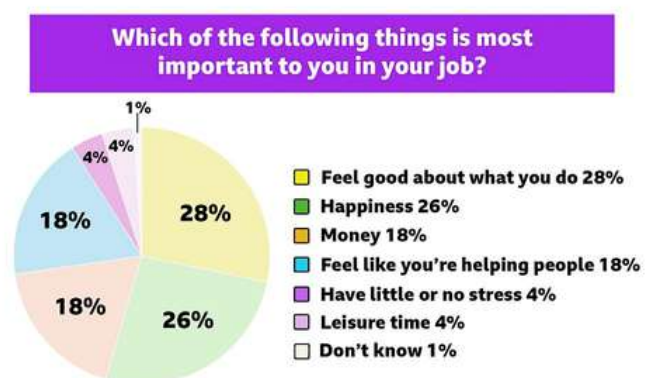
The survey, of more than 4,000 13-16-year-olds from across the UK, also saw teenagers rank the NHS as the organisation they most like to work for, ahead of Google, Apple and NASA. 'Government' also entered that list for the first time.

Almost half of those surveyed (47%) said they'd prefer to go to university after finishing school, with a quarter (25%) saying an apprenticeship would be their preferred route.

Top 10 jobs teens want

For the second consecutive year, almost one in 10 teenagers chose doctor as their preferred profession.

- 1 Doctor
- 2 Engineer
- 3 Teacher
- 4 Vet
- 5 Police officer
- 6 Lawyer
- 7 Nurse
- 8 Footballer
- 9 Building trade
- 10 Pilot (new)



Eighty-five percent of teens surveyed said that they were confident that they could get their desired job.

Read the whole article [here](#).

Find websites to help you find out more about careers [here](#).



Careers @ Harris

As part of our National Careers Week activities, our Year 7 students had an amazing time participating in the Career Detectives event! 🕵️🕵️

Throughout the event, students developed essential skills such as teamwork, problem-solving, and critical thinking. They also gained valuable insights into various career paths and the skills needed to succeed in the future.

A huge thank you to the companies and individuals who made this event possible! Your support and dedication have truly inspired our students.

CAREER DETECTIVES



"I enjoyed meeting Stefan. He had good vibes!"

CAREER DETECTIVES



"It was very helpful to find out what careers we could do well."

CAREER DETECTIVES



"I liked talking to everyone and engaging in Career Detectives."

CAREER DETECTIVES



"It was hard to guess but this made it fun."

Careers @ Harris

Careers Assemblies

We've been delighted to welcome speakers in our Year Group assemblies this month who have shared their career stories with students.

Year 7 - Lighthouse Games

Year 8 - Womanic

Year 9 - WMG Academy (Engineering) - 26 March

Year 10 - Underline Transcription

Year 11 - TCOS Group



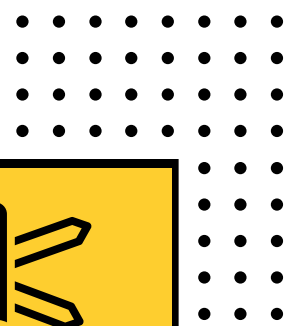
Galliford Try Women Mentoring Women

The Galliford Try Mentoring Programme for girls in Year 9 continued with a session encouraging them to reflect on and talk about their personal skills and qualities.

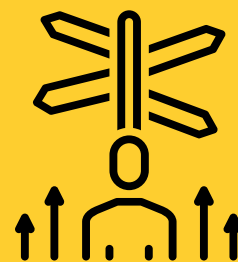
They also completed a quiz on Go Construct which matched their interests to careers in construction. Students discovered career paths such as Interior Designer, Surveyor, Project Manager, and Bricklayer.

Try the Quiz [here](#).





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NEED SUPPORT WITH YOUR NEXT STEPS?

Visit the Careers Adviser in the new Careers Office

Support including...



Applications, CVs, Interviews



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Work Experience



Career Pathways

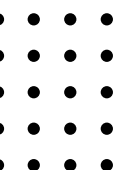


Skills

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Subject Spotlight: Drama

Drama

Teaches...

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS



Empathy

- Community Services
- Counselling
- Psychology
- Health

Critical Thinking

- Veterinarian
- Engineer
- Medicine
- Judge



Confidence

- Project & Event Management
- Public Order & Safety
- Government
- Business

Technology

- Film & TV Operator/Editor
- Sound/Lighting Technician
- Network Architect/Engineer/Tech
- Cyber Security
- Animation



Leadership

- Management Consultant
- Public Relations
- CEO/Manager
- Politician
- Pilot

Connection

- Marketing/Advertising
- Human Resources
- Hospitality
- Education



Collaboration

- Firefighter/Paramedic
- Artistic Director
- Consulting
- Recruiting

Communication

- Administration
- Journalism
- Tourism
- Law



Global Citizenship

- Global Corporate Communications
- Production Operator
- Campaign Manager
- Project Manager

Creativity

- Film & TV Production
- Acting/Directing
- Creative Design



Why Study
Drama?



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Where could your favourite subject take you? Get inspired by people using English and Drama in real-life jobs. Find out how much you could get paid for different roles and what qualifications you might need.

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English and Drama features

LEARN MORE

Useful Websites & Resources



Whether you're deciding what to study, planning your future career or just curious about the world of work, Bitesize Careers can help with advice from experts and from young people who've found a path that suits them.

Webinars, News & Events

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Apprenticeships in theatre: what are the options?

TRAINING & ADVICE MAR 18, 2025 BY AHMET AHMET

Apprenticeships are an alternative path into a career in theatre, offering a different mode of training that can work better for some young people and also help the sector tackle skills shortages and widen access. **Ahmet Ahmet** talks to those in the know to find out more about this route into the industry

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**Ahmet Ahmet**

Ahmet Ahmet is assistant director for Speakers for Schools. He was founding director of theatre careers resource Get Into Theatre.

Opinion

LATEST MOST READ

EdFringe lottery will continue as long as opportunities remain limited for early-career artists

The art of publicity: why theatre posters are stealing a trick from the movies

Timing is everything – the art of planning your

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There are many different pathways into a career in theatre, some more common than others. Apprenticeships are an alternative option to the more traditional routes of drama school or university training. They provide a paid careers development environment for young theatre talent and are helping the sector address skills gaps and widen access. There are various apprenticeship pathways available – some sector-specific to the theatre industry and others with transferable skills. They include: technical theatre, costume making, scenic metalwork and carpentry, as well as marketing, learning and participation, and business administration. All share the aim of opening up different routes to the next generation of the theatre pipeline.



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Day 1 of ERIC's National Careers Week online event. Here's what was on the agenda... [more](#)

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How can I get employed in the Creative Industries? (audio only)

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What is CreaTech and what CreaTech careers are available?

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AI and the Creative Industries: Are jobs changing?

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Are bootcamps a good way to get a career in the Creative Industries? (audio only)

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Are training schemes a good way to get a career in the Creative Industries? (audio only)

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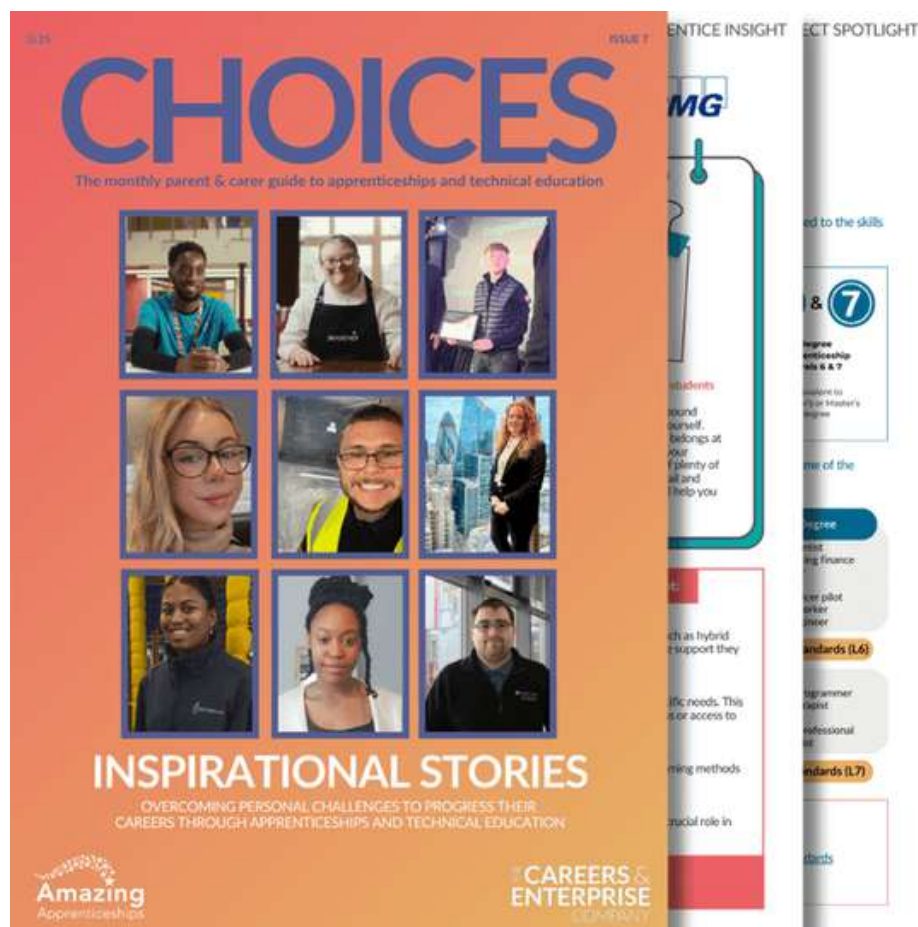
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Can you have a creative AND a corporate career at the same time? (audio only)

Creative Careers – talks from National Careers Week

Webinars & Events



This month's Choices is a special edition with a SEND focus, featuring inspirational apprentices who have shared their stories of how they have overcome different personal challenges. Find out more about the apprentices in our Apprentice Insight features, get your questions answered by the BBC Bitesize Careers Team, discover the Tesco Stronger Starts program, follow a day in the life of a Microsoft apprentice, and much more!



How to prepare for exams and tests **For students** **Virtual**

Exams and tests can be daunting, but effective revision can help cure some exam nerves and set you up for success! Join this webinar to hear some top tips from university experts, a current university student, and a member of the team at Unifrog about how to balance your revision and rest time, and how to excel in the upcoming exam and test season.



Parents and caregivers session: pre-16 research into options after school **For parents/guardians** **Virtual**

Part of Pre-16: what options are there after school? event series >

Not sure on your child's options after school? Think university is too expensive, or not sure where to start looking for apprenticeships? Join experts from the University of Bradford, Unilever and the National Saturday Club to find out about what early research your child can do, and things to consider when weighing up their options.

RUGBY BOROUGH FOOTBALL CLUB

FOOTBALL AND EDUCATION PROGRAMME

MALE AND FEMALES IN YEAR 11, 12 AND 13 WELCOME!

EDUCATION:
YEAR 1 AND 2 - LEVEL 2 / 3 QUALIFICATION, EQUIVALENT TO 3 A LEVELS
YEAR 3 - HNC LEVEL 4 IN SPORT

FOOTBALL:
TRAINING UP TO 10 HOURS A WEEK ON A 3G PITCH
FIXTURES - FA YOUTH CUP / MFYL / NATIONAL ALLIANCE / FUTURE LIONS
MALE & FEMALE PATHWAY / LOAN & MENTOR PROGRAMME
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To express your interest in the programme, please complete this form or scan the QR code...

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OUR HOME

The Leicester Tigers ACE Rugby Programme at Coventry College is **exclusively located at The Alan Higgs Centre, Coventry** providing outstanding facilities dedicated to player development in **one location**.

Discover more 




Coventry College, in partnership with Leicester Tigers Academy, is launching a U16-U18s **full-time, high-performance rugby programme from September 2025**.

The programme will offer:

- RFU Level 4 led coaching, alongside Leicester Tigers Academy staff
- High performance facilities, including indoor 4G dome & outdoor 3G pitch, Olympic-size swimming pool, fully equipped gyms & more
- Competing in the U18s RFU ACE Boys League, AoC Sport Premier League, 7s Competitions, and the Portugal Youth Festival
- **Full scholarships** for elite players to support their journey to the top

With over **18 years experience**, Coventry College's Rugby Education Programme offers a unique pathway for players, combining academic and rugby development to help you achieve your future goals.

Don't miss our Open Event to find out more!

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Sam Ebdon

Director & Cinematographer

Durham - Class Of 2017

Subjects studied at Harris

English Lang B, English Lit B, Maths 4, Physics C, Media Studies A*, Drama A, Art A, History B

Extra Curricular

Bronze & Silver DofE, Rugby, Badminton

After Harris

NWSL College (Hinckley) - Level 3 BTEC in Creative Media (Film & TV)

Then straight into employment working as a Clapper/Loader, working my way up.

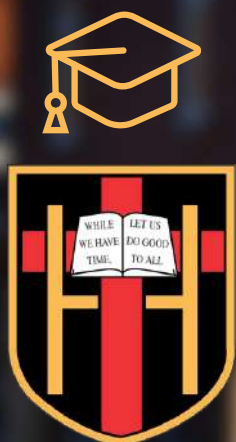
I now work full time as a Director and Cinematographer, creating commercials, films, music videos and branded content. I have won multiple awards for my work, from Best Short Film, to a Critics Choice Award, along with Best Cinematography and many more, it's been lovely to receive these accolades over time.

Future Ambition

I am currently in the process of building a full production studio, to provide both a location to film but also a place people can use for all creative needs. I think along with that trying to aim for the stars and get a BAFTA one day is a very pivotal goal of mine.



Harris Alumni



HARRIS ALUMNI

Poster Project

We are producing posters to inspire our young people with career stories from ex-Harris students.

We would love to involve ex-students from a wide variety of backgrounds, pathways and careers.

To support us with this project, complete this [form](#).



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