



Careers Bulletin November 2021

Welcome to the first half termly Blatchington Mill Careers Bulletin. The aim of the publication is to keep you informed about the latest that is happening in regards to careers at Blatch, as well as opportunities that are available for both parents/carers and students.

At Blatchington Mill we are committed to giving our students full and varied careers information, advice, guidance and experiences of careers and skills development. The Head of Careers at Blatchington Mill is Mr Jake Alexander and the Assistant Head of Careers and Progression is Mrs Caroline Hall. If you have any queries, ideas or need general information in regard to futures and/or careers, please contact them using the email address here: careers@blatchingtonmill.org.uk

Opportunities available

Stem and Medicine Summer Internship experiences.

<https://investin.org/pages/choose-your-stem-summer-experience>

Investin have 11 'ground-breaking' summer experiences in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) and medicine related careers for students aged 15-18, which students can register for now. Please access more information about these via the link above. Please note that there is a charge for these courses whether live online or in person. *However there are also some excellent other resources on this webpage to browse through.*

Routes into Rail

There is a common misconception that all rail industry jobs consist of manual labour and shift work, and it's traditionally been a male-dominated work environment. [Routes into Rail](#) is a programme run on behalf of the whole rail sector, who are keen to dispel these myths and demonstrate that rail is a truly welcoming and inclusive place for all to work in. The link takes you straight to the careers story area where you can browse through lots of different case studies of different roles.

Free careers evenings for parents/carers

INVESTIN
AMBITION BEYOND EDUCATION

YOUR INVITATION TO **INVESTIN INFORMED**

You are cordially invited to the latest in our InvestIN Informed series; free-of-charge, live online teacher events, specifically designed to boost your students' career potential.



REGISTER NOW

See reverse for more details

LEARNING TO LEAD

Join us to help supercharge your child's leadership skills today

WEDNESDAY 24TH NOVEMBER | 7.00PM-8.00PM (GMT)

BUILDING A FUTURE IN FINANCE

Learn from leading experts on how your child can break into the finance industry

WEDNESDAY 1ST DECEMBER | 7.00PM-8.00PM (GMT)

LEVEL UP WITH LAW

Discover expert tips on how to support your child in their law career journey

WEDNESDAY 8TH DECEMBER | 7.00PM-8.00PM (GMT)

SCAN TO REGISTER



www.investin.org

Learning4Life Sussex

Learning4Life Sussex is a new website designed for learners, parents and carers. The website brings together in one place a wide range of useful links to trusted websites that will provide information to inspire, enable and support, whatever your stage of life or area of interest.

Learning4Life Sussex is a fantastic resource of links to information and advice to help make the best choices. The link to the main page is www.learning4lifesussex.org.uk and the site has five key areas, accessible via the link.

We are very aware that some families will come from a position of plenty of knowledge on all matters careers, but for some families it may all seem rather overwhelming. In these bulletins we will always try and guide you through the links and information that we give. If you do not need this, no problem! If it is helpful, great! And if you need a bit more support with any of it, please contact us at school and we will happily support you with this.

Please see the brief description to help guide you to the area that best suits your current needs:

- **Learning** - Resources available for students and adult learning resources. Within this section you can specify which phase or area of learning you need to access. Categories are primary, secondary, SEND, further education, higher education and adult learning.
- **Working** - Aimed at post 16 and adults, this area provides lots of links to resources to areas of personal and career growth from career planning to finding work opportunities.
- **Living** - Browse these essential life links for support while you learn and navigate your way into the world of work. Links in this area include benefits, community groups and youth group links.
- **Employing** - Aimed at employers, learn about work experience options you can offer, latest business advice, initiatives and data.
- **Educating** - Aimed at educators with links to best practice, CPD and teaching resources.

The site is very easy to navigate and is full of useful information to help you guide your child with their future choices.

Future Tech Careers Event

On Friday 10th December from 5.00pm - 7.00pm, Future Tech are hosting a multi-employer event for 'Females in Technology'. There will be presentations from Capgemini, Experian, QA, Spectris, World Wide Technology & VMware. This is an incredible opportunity to hear from world-leading technology consultants from a number of global companies all in one evening. Each company will speak for 20 minutes, giving an insight into their business and a taster of what it's like working for the organisation. To register for the event click the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Females-in-Technology>

What have the students been doing in school this year so far?

Year 10 Spotlight sessions

In Year 10 students have ranked their areas of interest according to industry types. The top 3 as voted by the year group are as follows.

1. Creative arts and design.
2. Business, consulting and management.
3. Accountancy, banking and finance.

As a result, students have engaged with videos recorded by people working within the creative arts and design industry. Here are some examples of what Year 10 have seen:

Sector Spotlight Sessions: Neil Whitman - Freelance Animator

Sector Spotlight: Mark Roberts - Mark Roberts Photography (Creative and Design)

These videos were discussed within the form groups with the focus on the skills the employees possess and use, how they got into the role and what they enjoy about doing their work.

Skills Builder Sessions

As an essential part of the careers programme here at Blatch, we are increasing our focus on transferable skills for the world of work. To do this we are using the Skills Builder Programme which is a resource based around a framework of 8 essential skills as evidenced as required by industries, universities and educational institutions. The framework can be viewed by clicking [here](#).

Students have engaged in sessions building their skills in Years 7 - 10 based around their listening skills. Alongside this, we will be providing a self directed skills session for students to complete independently if they would like to via the skills builder home learning hub by clicking [here](#).

The home learning hub has new challenges added frequently and gives access to a range of resources your child can use.

Labour Market Information (LMI)

As part of the regular bulletins, we will be including any labour market information we have available to keep you abreast of where new opportunities are likely to arise as well as what is currently available within the labour market.

The link below is the latest information received from The Education Development Trust L.M.I. and shows that the labour market is continuing to recover. It is also available on the school website.

<https://www.blatchingtonmill.org.uk/assets/Uploads/Education-Development-Trust-LMI-Bulletin-No-82-November-2021.pdf>

The Office for National Statistics link below gives national information that gives estimates as well as regional, local authority and Parliamentary constituency breakdowns of changes in the UK of employment, unemployment, economic inactivity and other employment-related statistics for the UK.

Click [here](#) for the national picture.

Click [here](#) for a breakdown of information broken down into regions of the UK.

Job HotSpot

Environmental careers remain some of the most in demand. Climate change activism among college students is fuelling interest in green jobs. The alternative energy sector is seeing some of the strongest growth of any industry.



Sustainability consultant

If you want to combine your interest in the environment with business and leadership, sustainability consulting could be for you.

Skills

- Carry out research and ecology surveys
- Undertake mandatory assessments required by law for commercial and residential properties
- Collect and analyse data and produce reports to demonstrate your findings
- Present your findings to clients
- Recommend technologies and explain the most cost effective and beneficial routes to sustainability
- Manage projects, resources and budgets while working to deadlines

Salary
From £18,000 up to £60,000 or more depending on experience

Routes into the industry
Although you don't always need a degree or HND, most sustainability consultants do have one. A degree in one of the following subjects may be useful: biology, building and construction management, business and management studies, civil engineering, environmental science, estate management, geography, geology, urban planning

The 8 Most In-Demand Sustainability Jobs

1. Sustainability Consultants. - Click [here](#) for a link to an explanatory video of the job role.
2. Environmental Scientists.
3. Environmental Engineers.
4. Campus Sustainability Directors or Managers.
5. Corporate Social Responsibility/Sustainability Professionals.
6. Green Building Professionals.
7. Water Engineers and Scientists.
8. Agriculture and Food Scientists.

Guest Speakers

In December we have an exciting opportunity for a group of students in Years 10 and 11 to attend a talk with Mr Goldstone who is a barrister in the City of London. He will be talking to the students about the possibility of following a career in Law as well as setting them a short task about the profession. We are hoping that Mr Goldstone's talk will inspire our students and make them realise that anything is possible.

Employer Database

At Blatchington Mill School we are looking to develop our careers provision and would like to increase opportunities and links with local employers and employees. Our aim is to build a database of willing employers and their employees who we can call on in the future to help us. We would like to thank parents/carers of Year 7 and 8 students for already providing similar information on your child's registration form. We would kindly ask you to complete our survey as well, as we are very aware that circumstances may change.

If you feel you are able to help with this, please click [here](#) to complete a short survey.

College Applications for Year 11 students

The deadline for most college applications is **Friday 3rd December 2021**. The links for the application forms are below.

Name of college	Website
BHASVIC	https://www.bhasvic.ac.uk/
Varndean College	https://varndean.ac.uk/
Brighton Met	https://www.gbmc.ac.uk/
Cardinal Newman	https://www.cncs.co.uk/sixth-form/
Hove Park Sixth Form	https://www.hp6.org.uk/
Northbrook Met	https://www.gbmc.ac.uk/
Burgess Hill School for Girls Sixth Form	https://burgesshillgirls.com/sixth-form
BACA	https://www.baca-uk.org.uk/BACA-College/
Roedean Sixth Form College	https://www.roedean.co.uk/
Plumpton College	https://www.plumpton.ac.uk/
Shoreham Academy	https://www.shoreham-academy.org/sixth-form/courses
DV8	https://www.dv8sussex.com/
East Sussex College	https://www.escg.ac.uk/

For more careers education information, advice and guidance visit the careers page on Blatchington Mill School website by clicking [here](#).