



Year 11 Careers Newsletter: Friday 16th October 2026

Hello Year 11

You have completed the last Friday of Half Term 1! Yes, that is right, you break upon on Thursday Oct 22nd.

Did you go along to the Open event on Tuesday at Ludlow College? Did your visit help in terms of whether a particular course is for you? Is Ludlow College somewhere you think you would like to study? Remember, even if you have made up your mind, I strongly advise you to attend at least one other Open event. You don't know whether there is a more appropriate choice for you unless you visit. Applications for your Post-16 courses are expected to be in by Christmas. This is because the colleges and training providers need to know for timetabling and staffing reasons. That is also why each college and Provider launch their Open events in the Autumn. I must make you aware that the application process used by some colleges require students to complete the online form in one go. This means that you cannot Save your application and come back to it. Some colleges also only allow 30 minutes for applicants to complete the online form. This is to discourage students from starting an application and then leaving it for weeks, maybe months, before completing and submitting it. The 30 minute time limit is very unusual and I only know of one college who adopts this approach. Instructions before you begin your application clearly explain what information will be needed in order to complete the application within the limit. This includes your target grades, personal email address, contact details of your parents / carers. If you don't have all these details to hand, don't start your online application. Welcome to the World of Technology, Year 11. Below is the updated Open event calendar:

College	Location	Date	Time
Hartpury College	Hartpury, Gloucester GL19 3BE	Saturday Sept 19 th Saturday October 10 th Saturday November 21 st Saturday December 12 th	9.30am – 3pm (You can only attend if you book online)
Ludlow College	Castle Square, Ludlow, SY8 1GD	Tuesday October 13 th	5pm – 7pm
Shropshire School Leaver Roadshow	Cineworld, Shrewsbury, SY3 7ET.	Monday September 21 st	4pm – 8pm
Shrewsbury College	English and Welsh Bridge Campuses, SY2 6AA. (A Levels and Creative Arts) London Road Campus, SY2 6PR.	Thursday October 15 th Tuesday October 20 th Thursday October 22 nd	5pm-8pm (You may be turned away if you do not book online)

	(Vocational, T-Levels, Apprenticeships)		5pm-8pm (You may be turned away if you do not book online)
Walford College, Baschurch, SY4 2HL.	Agriculture, equine, small animals	Saturday October 17th	9am – 12pm
Hereford Sixth Form College	Folly Lane, HR1 1LU.	Saturday October 17th	9am – 12pm
Ludlow and Herefordshire College	Holme Lacy campus, HR2 6LL. (Land-based, agriculture, equine, small animals)	Saturday November 7 th	10am - 12pm
Ludlow and Herefordshire College	Hereford campus, Folly Lane, HR1 1LS.	Saturday November 7 th	10am - 12pm
Kidderminster College	Market St, DY10 1AB (Vocational)	~~Monday October 5th~~ Saturday November 7 th	~~5.30pm – 7.30pm~~ 10am – 1pm
Hereford and Worcester Group Training Association Rease Heath College	Holmer Rd, Hereford, HR4 9SX. (Apprenticeships) Nantwich, Cheshire, CWF 6DH (Agriculture)	Thursday 20th October ~~Saturday 26th September~~ Saturday 17th October Tuesday 10th November (evening) Saturday 28th November Saturday 30th January Saturday 20th March Saturday 24th April Saturday 12th June	4pm – 7pm (Last entry 6.30pm) Check times on College website. You need to book.

Just a heads up that the Open event at Hereford College of Art is in January 2027.

Enjoy your weekend Year 11

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