



## Year 11 Careers Newsletter: Friday 28th November 2025

Happy end of the month, Year 11

Back to it this week with your career appointments. During your mocks, I saw Y10 instead. It was great to hear of what plans they already had. Some have already attended Open events and the majority have a clear idea of what pathway they wish to pursue. For those who were unsure, I encouraged them to complete a questionnaire on the careers area of the GCSE Bitesize. It asks a number of questions about what you and then suggests careers matching your profile. For the majority, the suggestions were pretty accurate. The website then offers the opportunity to find out more regarding the suggested careers: What qualifications are needed, where to study, employment opportunities in our local area (LMI), potential salary, etc. The GCSE Bitesize website is one of the best for accessing up-to-date careers information. It is also really simple to navigate. What's not to like? Take a look!

Here are the Open events scheduled for this week. They were also posted on 'Thought for the Day.' The Taster sessions will run for 50 minutes each. The walk between the two campuses is approximately 10-15 mins. You **MUST BOOK** ahead of the Open event, in order to build your timetable so that you are not having to move repeatedly. from one campus to another.

Hereford College of Art	Folly Lane	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	5.30pm – 7.30pm
Shrewsbury College	Vocational Taster sessions	Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	9.00am – 1.00pm

There seems to be an issue with completing the online application form for Herefordshire, Ludlow, Holme Lacy and Walford Colleges (HLNSC). A couple of you have drawn my attention to the fact that there is a problem with typing your details into the document. Last Friday, I contacted the college and I will let you know what the outcome is. Meanwhile, please feel free to make contact yourself, particularly as the advised date of submitting applications is the end of this Term. Here are the details:

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Next week, I hope to have enough room in the newsletter to include information about 16-24 year olds classified as NEET. I am not going to explain what the acronym stands for; I shall leave that with you to find out ahead of next week. However, my reason for deciding to focus on this particular topic is that each year at this time, the Post-16 Team at Shropshire Council provide me with the destinations of our Y11 students who left us in July. It is always so rewarding to read what our former students are now doing and where. Although I keep a spreadsheet of intended destinations following career appointments, some students sometimes change their mind over the summer, or when they receive their results. More on the topic next week.

Year 11, enjoy your weekend.

Mrs Griffiths-Jones