

CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

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OPPORTUNITIES



The [European Day of Languages](#) is celebrated annually on September 26, with the official 2026 theme focused on "Languages unite! How languages shape inclusion".



Through the celebration day, approximately 700 million citizens across the Council of Europe's 46 member states are encouraged to discover and learn languages at any age, whether within formal education or alongside it. This reflects the shared conviction of the Council of Europe and the European Commission that linguistic diversity is a powerful means of fostering intercultural understanding and a fundamental component of Europe's rich cultural heritage.



Give your vocabulary a quick workout with the "[Name It](#)" Game! Choose a category, select the language you want to explore, and see if you can recall the word before the timer runs out. After a few seconds, the correct expression appears. This is a simple way to refresh and expand your everyday vocabulary. There is no pressure, just click the image to pause the timer whenever you like.

This [webpage from the University of Cambridge](#) focuses on Careers using Languages. They have a range of resources including job boards for bilingual people, information on job roles requiring languages and advice on what to do next if you're interested in learning more.



Janina studied modern languages at Cambridge and now works in International Development, but was this by chance or choice? [Watch this video](#) to find out more about her journey.



Review these websites to see a list of job roles that require a second language, you can read more about how much you could earn, what houses you can expect to work and how you could access the industry.

- [Career Pilot](#) | [Prospects](#)

This [subject spotlight from UCL](#) explains more about the benefits of studying Romanian and gives you an insight into what studying a language at university could be like.



When you choose languages, you're opening a world of opportunities for career growth because knowing multiple languages makes you a valuable asset in our interconnected global landscape. Read this [UCAS Subject Guide](#) to understand more about studying languages.

JOB OF THE WEEK



[Dialect Coach](#)

A dialect coach is a technical advisor who helps actors learn and safely perform specific accents, regional speech patterns, or unique vocal styles for film, television, theatre, and voiceover projects.

They research dialects and voices then use phonetics and the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) to teach exact vowel shifts, consonant changes, and rhythm.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

In some countries, the salary gap between bilingual and monolingual workers is wide enough to match a full promotion worth up to £25,913 more in earnings each year.

Japanese, Portuguese, and Italian are among the top languages linked to higher earning potential for bilingual careers.

[Source](#)

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In this Photo Tips session, we'll be joined by award-winning British Pakistani photographer Shahfaq Shahbaz. Shahfaq, is a freelance portrait, fashion, and commercial photographer and she will share the practical realities of building a career in fashion and commercial photography.



The Solstice Nature Prize is a national, annual writing competition for young writers, which invites young people to take a closer look at the natural world, explore their relationship with it, or examine the challenges it faces, and write short stories, poems, and thought-provoking blogs in response.



How can a passion for science lead to a career in one of the world's biggest technology companies? Join Zahaan Bharmal, Senior Director at Google, for an inspiring talk about his unique career journey. From studying Physics at Oxford and earning a Fulbright Scholarship to Stanford, to advising governments, writing about science, and a senior leader with Google based in London, Zahaan's career proves there is no single path to success.



Thinking about a career in law? Join Isabelle Meyer, General Counsel and Director of Estate Operations, for an honest and engaging look at what it really means to be a lawyer. Discover what lawyers actually do, the skills you need to succeed, and the different routes you can take into the legal profession. Isabelle will share insights from her career, offer practical advice for aspiring lawyers, and explore the qualities that can help you build a career in law.



Ever wondered where maths could take you? Join Jeannette Lichner, Non-Executive Director at the Information Commissioner's Office and Financial Conduct Authority, as she shares her unexpected career journey from accounting to leadership. Discover what a career in accounting is really like, how accountants use maths, numbers and problem-solving every day, and the different skills you can develop through the profession. Jeannette will explore how her accounting background opened doors to new opportunities and eventually led her into senior roles across business, finance and regulation.



EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

Amazon is a global company best known for online shopping, but its teams also work in technology, engineering, logistics, operations and business. UK early career routes can include apprenticeships, internships and graduate opportunities.

Depending on the programme, young people could develop skills in areas such as software, data, engineering, project management, operations or digital technology while gaining valuable experience with a major international employer.

UNI SPOTLIGHT

Imperial College London is a specialist university focused on science, engineering, medicine and business. Based in London, it could particularly appeal to students who enjoy STEM subjects and want to study alongside others with similar interests. Students have opportunities to participate in research, entrepreneurship and industry projects, they have links with technology companies and organisations across a huge range of sectors.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Young people in year 11 and their parents/carers are invited to attend the Kirklees 2026 Get Inspired event.

The event will take place at The Accu Stadium, Huddersfield on 1st October from 4.30-7.30pm.

Around 40 exhibitors will attend to discuss the options available after year 11.

Organised by C+K, these annual events provide visitors with the opportunity to talk to and find out more about local further education colleges, sixth form colleges, school sixth forms, training providers, universities, and employers. C+K advisers will be on hand to give individual advice and guidance.

All students are encouraged to attend, even if they have an idea of their future plans.

Information to help schools to promote the event to their students will be sent into schools at the beginning of September and Year 11 students in Kirklees will receive an email inviting them to attend the event in the Autumn term.

Kirklees – The Accu Stadium, Huddersfield - Our event sponsors include Calderdale College, Greenhead College, HNC, Kirklees College and Mirfield Sixth Form

Other exhibitors include: AHR, Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust, HBC Construction, HSL Manufacturing, GMI Construction, Learning Curve Hair & Beauty Academy, Kirklees Council, KOSO Kent Introl, Radis Community Care, Reliance Precision, Royal Navy, Royal Air Force, University of Huddersfield, West Yorkshire Police and many more.

For more information, and to see the list of exhibitors - visit our event page here: <https://ck.mydirections.co.uk/events/kirklees-get-inspired-1-october-2026>

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Year 11

COLLEGE OPEN DAYS

Greenhead College



Saturday 3rd October 2026

9:30am – 10:30am - Quiet hour for students, parents, or carers who prefer a calmer, less busy environment. A Principal's Talk will also be available within this hour.

10:30am – 2:30pm (last entry 1:45pm)

Thursday 15th October 2026

5:30pm – 8:30pm (last entry 7:45pm)

Please note: the above dates will be the only Open Events that we will run for 2027 admissions.

Applications for 2027 entry will open on **Friday 2 October 2026** and close on **Monday 30 November 2026**.

Huddersfield New College



Saturday 10th October 2026

9:30am – 3.30pm (last entry 3:00pm)

Wednesday 11th November 2026

5:30pm – 8:30pm (last entry 8:00pm)

Please note prospective applicants must be accompanied by a parent/carer or adult over the age of 18.

Applications for 2027 entry will open on **Friday 9th October 2026** and close on **Friday 11th December 2026**.

Kirklees College



Saturday 17th October 2026 10.30am – 1.00pm (last entry 12.30pm)

Saturday 28th November 2026 10.30am – 1.00pm (last entry 12.30pm)

Saturday 6th February 2027

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Tuesday 29th June 2027 5.00pm – 7.00pm (last entry 6.30pm)

Applications for 2027 entry will open in **October 2026**. Students applying for **Kirklees Construction courses** should aim to apply by the end of **December 2026**

The Creative Media & Studio School



Thursday 22nd October 2026

3:30pm – 8.00pm

Applications for 2027 entry will open in **October 2026** and close on **Friday 18th December**.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL



Project ROUTE

Live Online Career Challenges

We have two exciting virtual work experience opportunities taking place in October. Both sessions take place outside school hours via Zoom, and do not require any teacher / career leader attendance. Please share these with your students.



FIRST STEP

For students in Year Groups 7-9 England & Wales, S1-S3 Scotland, 8-10 Northern Ireland

Wednesday 7th October at 4.30 pm (virtual session hosted on Zoom)



Bus Route Detective: Choose the Smartest Route

Become a detective for Project ROUTE's transport planning team and use data to help choose the smartest bus route for a journey. Students will:

- Join a 45-minute briefing with the Project ROUTE team
- Complete the career challenge at their own pace
- Receive a certificate on completion
- Register now! (student link)



NEXT STEP

For students in Year Groups 10-13 England & Wales, S4-S6 Scotland, 11-14 Northern Ireland

Thursday 10th October at 5pm (virtual session hosted on Zoom)



The Journey to Your Future: Can Rail Get You There – On Time, On Budget, On Track?

Explore how data can help the rail industry make better decisions and keep journeys on time, on budget and on track. Students will:

- Join a 45-minute virtual briefing with the Project ROUTE team
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