

Careers Information: Year 11

September 2023



Hello, Welcome back to the start of Year 11.

My name is Eleanor Chamberlain, I am the C+K Careers Adviser working here at Castle Hall Academy.



The time is fast approaching when your son or daughter will have important decisions to make about their plans for after Year 11.

As the Careers Adviser based in Castle Hall Academy, I thought it would be helpful to let you know about the support available to students in making these decisions and key information to help you support them this year.



You can also find out lots more useful information at

www.ckcareersonline.org.uk



CAREER APPOINTMENTS

All students receive information, advice and guidance about future study options and career ideas through careers appointments. Students will be invited to at least one appointment with a Careers Adviser while in Year 11. Students can also drop in to speak to the Careers Adviser at breaks and lunchtime.

This support will continue until students are settled in further education or training up to the end of October 2024.

Support and information is also provided through the schools Personal Development programme. Parents are very welcome to contact the careers adviser if they have any questions or concerns regarding their son/daughters plans for the end of Year 11 and arrangements can be made for parents to attend careers appointments.

APPLICATION SUPPORT

Support sessions will be made available to all students in year 11. These run at different times during the day and will include

- Lunch time drop ins
- After school sessions
- Personal Development sessions in school
- 1:1 appointments with Eleanor

Its really important that students attend these sessions to allow them to complete their college applications.

Please keep a eye on class chart messages as these dates will be shared there.

APPLICATIONS

Students will shortly be introduced to the Get Into application process in school and how they can access support with their application.

Students **must** apply to colleges in the Kirklees area through the website www.get-into.co.uk.

It is also possible to apply to some out of area colleges through this website. Students will be given a username and password to access their own account on this website very soon.

You can search for available courses on the site too. The closing dates for applications for a large proportion of sixth forms and some colleges in Kirklees and the surrounding are in early January/February 2024 (some are before this time) so it is important that your son/daughter is aware of the dates to ensure they do not miss the deadlines.

I would encourage all students to apply for a minimum of 3 colleges this will ensure students have options available to them following their GCSE results in August 2024. Please check entry requirements for each college as they do differ.

Greenhead College

Students who would like to apply to Greenhead College they will need to apply directly on the colleges website. This college also had a early deadline of **Friday 2nd December**.

Heckmondwike Grammar School

Apply through Getinto the College deadline for applications is 22nd December however applications need to be submitted to getinto by **15th December** to allow time to be checked and processed.



OPEN EVENTS FOR COLLEGES AND 6TH FORMS

College and sixth form open evenings start in October 2023.

Applications for courses starting in September 2024 will need to be made soon after.

It is very important that Year 11 students start now to research their options and find out about the courses and options available .

Open days give students the opportunity to visit the colleges they are interested in and speak to the tutors who will be teaching the course. They will be able to talk about the course in more detail, find out information on the units they will study and the entry requirements for the course.

Students will also be able to have a look around the facilities and speak to current students to hear about their experience.

Students can also ask about the enrichment opportunities available at the college. These do vary between colleges and could be a deciding point on where the student wants to study.

COLLEGE PRESENTATIONS IN SCHOOL

During the first term at school students in year 11 will be visited by the local colleges .

Colleges will deliver a presentation to all students in year 11 during their mastery session. The colleges will talk about the courses at the college, entry requirements and the application process.

Confirmed Dates

Monday 25th September
Greenhead College

Monday 9th October
Kirklees College

Monday 16th October
Leeds City College

Monday 23rd October
Heckmondwike Grammar Sixth Form

Monday 6th November
Mirfield Sixth Form

Monday 4th December
Leeds UTC

OPEN DAYS

Please find a list of open days and application deadlines at local colleges on the next couple of pages.

Please try and attend as many open days as you can. It's a great way to see the college in person, speak to tutors and current students about the courses and college environment. They can also discuss the entry requirements for the courses you might be interested in and the application process.

Get Inspired Events: C+K Careers

Come along and talk to employers, training providers, school sixth forms, colleges, universities and C+K Careers Advisers.

Thursday 5th October: The John Smith Stadium
4.30-7.30

Wednesday 11th October : Dewsbury Town Hall
4.30-7.30

No ticket required just turn up



Kirklees area schools and colleges

Kirklees Get Inspired events

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Wednesday 11 October 2023

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ck.mydirections.co.uk/events

OPEN EVENTS AND APPLICATION CLOSING DATES

SCHOOL/ COLLEGE	OPEN EVENTS	CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS
Batley Girls' Sixth Form College	16 November 2023, 4.30 - 7.00pm	6 February 2024
The Creative & Media Studio School	19 October 2023, 4.00 - 7.30pm 22 November 2023, 4.00 - 7.30pm 13 January 2024, 9.30am - 12.30pm	Applications taken throughout the year
Greenhead College	30 September 2023, 9.30am - 12.30pm 24 October 2023, 5.30 - 8.30pm 16 November 2023, 5.30 - 8.30pm	1 December 2023
Heckmondwike Grammar School	26 October 2023, 7.00 - 10.00pm	22 December 2023
Huddersfield New College	14 October 2023, 9.15am - 3.00pm 30 November 2023, 5.30 - 8.30pm 23 January 2024, 5.15pm (bookable lesson tasters)	2 February 2024
Kirklees College	Huddersfield 18 November 2023, 10.30am - 1.00pm 20 January 2024, 10.30am - 1.00pm 27 April 2024, 10.30am - 1.00pm Dewsbury 27 January 2024, 10.30am - 12.30pm 20 April 2024, 10.30am - 12.30pm	Please see the college website for further information
Mirfield College	23 November 2023, 4.30 - 7.30pm	9 February 2024
Shelley College	16 November 2023, 5.30 - 8.00pm	9 February 2024
St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy	Please check website	Please check website



Surrounding areas

OPEN EVENT		
SCHOOL/ COLLEGE	CONTACT INFORMATION	OPEN EVENTS
Leeds City College (including Leeds Sixth Form College)	T: 0113 386 1997 https://leeds.citycollege.ac.uk T: 0113 532 4428 https://leeds.sixthform.ac.uk	Please check website
Leeds College of Building	T: 0113 222 6000 www.lcb.ac.uk	North Street Campus 19 October 2023, 9.00 - 7.00pm 22 February 2024, 9.00 - 7.00pm South Bank Campus 19 November 2023, 10.00am - 1.00pm 19 May 2024, 10.00am - 1.00pm
Leeds Mathematics School	T: 0113 322 5948 https://lmas.ac.uk	Please check website
Leeds UTC	T: 0113 353 0140 www.utcleeds.co.uk	26 October 2023, 4.00 - 7.00pm Book a slot on the website
New College Bradford	T: 01274 089189 https://ncbbradford.ac.uk	14 October 2023, 10.00am - 2.00pm 14 November 2023, 4.30 - 7.30pm 8 July 2024, 4.00 - 6.00pm
Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form College, Leeds	T: 0113 294 6844 www.notredamecoll.ac.uk	14 October 2023, 9.30am - 1.00pm 19 October 2023, 4.30 - 7.30pm Book your place on the website
Rochdale Sixth Form College	T: 01706 769800 www.rochdalesfc.ac.uk	14 October 2023, 10.00am - 2.00pm 23 November 2023, 4.00 - 7.00pm
Shipley College	T: 01274 327222 www.shipley.ac.uk	2 November 2023, 9.15 - 7.00pm 17 January 2024, 9.15 - 7.00pm 5 March 2024, 9.15 - 7.00pm 8 May 2024, 9.15 - 7.00pm 25 June 2024, 9.15 - 7.00pm
Wakefield College (includes Castleford College)	T: 01924 789111 www.wakefield.ac.uk	19 October 2023, 9.00 - 7.00pm 19 November 2023, 10.00am - 12.00pm 7 February 2024, 9.00 - 7.00pm 15 June 2024, 10.00am - 12.00pm

Dates and times can change, so please check before you go



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Accord Sixth Form College, Ossett	T: 01924 232860 https://accordsixth.accordmat.org	Please check website
Askham Bryan College	T: 01904 772277 www.askham-bryan.ac.uk	18 October 2023, 4.30 - 6.30pm 25 November 2023, from 10.30am 20 January 2024, from 10.30am 9 March 2024, from 10.30am 12 June 2024, 4.30 - 6.30pm Book your slot on the website
Bacup & Rawtenstall Grammar School Sixth Form	T: 01706 234500 www.brgs.org.uk	14 November 2023, 6.00 - 8.00pm
Barnsley College (including Barnsley Sixth Form College)	T: 01226 216123 www.barnsley.ac.uk www.barnsleysixthformcollege.co.uk	18 October 2023, 4.00 - 7.00pm 29 November 2023, 4.00 - 7.00pm 3 February 2024, 10.00am - 1.00pm
Bradford College	T: 01274 088088 www.bradfordcollege.ac.uk	Level 3 open event: 17 October 2023, 5.00 - 7.00pm General open event: 11 November 2023, 10.00am - 3.00pm
Burnley College Sixth Form Centre	T: 01282 733373 www.burnley.ac.uk	20 September 2023, 5.30 - 8.30pm 3 October 2023, 5.30 - 8.30pm 12 October 2023, 5.30 - 8.30pm 2 November 2023, 5.30 - 8.30pm 21 November 2023, 5.30 - 8.30pm 14 December 2023, 5.30 - 8.30pm 12 March 2024, 5.30 - 8.30pm
Elliott Hudson College, Leeds	T: 0113 323 9777 www.elliotthudsoncollege.ac.uk	10 October 2023, 5.00 - 7.45pm 25 November 2023, 10.00am - 12.45pm
Hopwood Hall College	T: 0161 643 7560 Middleton Campus T: 01706 345 346 Rochdale Campus www.hopwood.ac.uk	7 October 2023, 10.00am - 2.00pm 19 October 2023, 4.30 - 7.00pm
Leeds Arts University	T: 0113 202 8000 www.leeds-arts.ac.uk	L3 Extended Diploma: 11 October 2023 25 November 2023 31 January 2024 16 March 2024 Please check website for times and how to register

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GET INSPIRED

a careers event for Year 11 students and their parents/carers

Thursday 5 October 2023

4.30 - 7.30pm

at **The John Smith's Stadium**

Stadium Way | Huddersfield | HD16PG



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Scan QR code for more info. We also have
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Wednesday 11 October 2023

4.30 - 7.30pm

at Dewsbury Town Hall

Wakefield Old Road | Dewsbury | WF12 8DG



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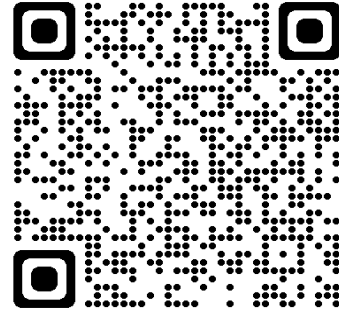
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For further info email events@ckcareers.org.uk

CHOOSING A LEVEL SUBJECTS

Need help understanding how the courses you study at sixth form or college can affect your options at university and your future career. Use the Informed Choices website to help you understand which subjects open up different degrees, particularly at Russell Group universities.

Scan QR code for more info or visit www.informedchoices.ac.uk



APPRENTICESHIPS



If your son/daughter is interested in an apprenticeship at the end of Year 11 they will need to be offered a training place at a college or training provider and find an employer to take them on. An offer of a training place alone does not guarantee an apprenticeship. The most important part of an apprenticeship is to gain employment and usually the young person is responsible for finding this.

Support will be provided for those seeking apprenticeships in the Spring Term, including include help with applications and CVs.

All apprenticeship seekers are strongly advised to apply to a full-time college course as well as this is can be a backup plan should they not find employment.

Packaged apprenticeships. Register with www.apprenticeships.org.uk to find and apply for vacancies set up an alert

Visit <https://ck.mydirections.co.uk/vacancies> to look at local job vacancies

JOB EXPLORER DATABASE– INFORMATION AND IDEAS QUIZZ

If your son/daughter is unsure about career ideas or wants to find out more about their different careers or perhaps look at what jobs are available in different sectors or are related to different school subjects, there is a wealth of information on the Job Explorer Database. They can also try the 'Suits Me' quiz to help with generating ideas.

To access the database please visit My Directions

<https://www.ck.mydirections.co.uk>



SCHOOL WEBSITE: CAREERS

This year I have uploaded a number of different resources which will help students /parents with the process of researching/ applying to colleges.

There are a number of different presentations which I have recorded. These presentations have been shown in school but are useful for students to listen too again if they need too.

- **Post 16 Options**– This presentation will helps students understand their different options after school.
- **Careers Introduction**– This presentation introduces the careers support which is available in school and how they can access the support available.
- **Apprenticeships**– This presentation goes through apprenticeships in more detail, how to apply for an apprenticeship and the different levels students can apply for.
- **Volunteering**– This presentation looks at volunteering and the different opportunities available for students. Volunteering is a fantastic opportunity for students to experience areas which they might like to work in, or to develop new skills which might help them applying for part time work.
- **Castlehall Get Into Demonstration**– This presentation goes through the application process for students applying to colleges who use this system. Again this presentation has been shown in school but can be used as a helpful resource for studying completing applications at home.

Please Visit [Careers/Post 16 - Castle Hall Academy](#)



USEFUL WEBSITES FOR COLLEGES AND SIXTH FORMS

Apprenticeships, jobs and work experience

www.apprenticeships.org.uk - central website for apprenticeship vacancies

www.ckcareersonline.org.uk - visit **job search help** or **Recruitline Vacancies** sections for local information

<https://university.which.co.uk> - The Complete Guide to Higher and Degree Apprenticeships

<https://vinspired.com/> and <https://www.gov.uk/government/get-involved/take-part/volunteer>

<https://doit.life/ours> - to look for voluntary work

College, 6th forms and training

<https://www.get-into.co.uk> use this website to research courses, colleges, sixth forms and training providers in your area

Kirklees

www.huddnewcoll.ac.uk

www.greenhead.ac.uk

www.kirkleescollege.ac.uk

www.heckgrammar.co.uk

www.themfg.co.uk

www.woodspeen.co.uk

www.stjohnfisher.org.uk

Leeds

www.leedscitycollege.ac.uk

www.lcb.ac.uk

www.leeds-art.ac.uk

www.notredamecoll.ac.uk

www.elliottthudsoncollege.ac.uk

Others

www.wakefield.ac.uk

www.askham-bryan.ac.uk

www.capa.college/

www.studio-school.org.uk/

Higher education and university

www.ucas.com - University & College Admissions Service

Applications to university go through this website. You can search for courses to see which universities offer the course you are interested in and **what grades** and **subjects** they require. You can link to any university's own website through '**About this Institution**'.

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