



# 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.

## OPPORTUNITIES

Behind the Badge: The Modern Police Officer's Role is an example of a series of free online lectures brought to you by the University of Bangor. These lectures are tailored for students thinking about studying at University. Designed to give students a taste of what it's like to study at University level, they are a great way to get to know a subject area better and get a taste of what's to come! Find out more [here](#).



Politics and International Relations: UN Writing Competition! Choose one of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and submit a 350-400 word piece on its significance. Explore the challenge it addresses and potential solutions at local, national, or global levels, demonstrating your critical thinking and understanding of key issues. [Join the challenge](#).



The University of Law offer many virtual events allowing students to gain hands-on experience dissecting the psychology, criminology, and legal strategies behind a case, whilst sharpening their analytical and problem-solving skills. Find out more [here](#).



At the LawCareersNetLIVE event on 29th November 2024, the panel of trainee solicitors provided insights into their experiences of the law firm application process, what being a trainee is really like and their advice for prospective candidates. You can watch it again [here](#).



If you're interested in a potential future career as a Lawyer, but don't know where to start, The Beginner's Guide to a Career in Law is for you. [Read this guide](#) for information about working in the Law industry.



[On this page](#) are profiles of more than 40 solicitors at different law firms, designed to give you a sense of how they got there, what the working day looks like and the advice they have to offer. Read how they made the transition from student to qualified lawyer.



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## JOB OF THE WEEK



**Barrister**

Barristers are generally hired by solicitors to represent a case in court and only become involved once advocacy before a court is needed.

As a barrister, you'll plead the case on behalf of your client and their solicitor. Members of the public can also go directly to a barrister to ask for advice and representation in court.

## LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

“According to the most recent figures from the Department for Education, 41% of care leavers aged between 19 and 21 are not in education, employment or training (NEET). This is considerably higher than among young people in general; 12% of those aged 18 to 24 are NEET.”

[Source](#)

For up-to-date LMI for Wiltshire, click [here](#).



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 The theme for this year's National Care Leavers' Month was: Rising as Me: Overcoming challenges, transforming, and finding your identity. Check out the events that happened [here](#).

 Check out the 'Become' charity - they work hard to be there for every care-experienced child and young person who reaches out. Go to their [website](#) for more information.

 Explore 1,600+ Higher and Degree apprenticeship vacancies in the October 2025 edition of the Higher and Degree listing. [Discover](#) vacancy details from over 50 employers, including locations, salary information, close dates and direct application links.

 You can [rewatch](#) a brilliant webinar to hear from the Early Careers team at EDF to learn more about their amazing apprenticeship opportunities and the exciting range of vacancies available, which open for applications on Monday 26th January 2026.

 [Day of Wrk](#) was created to show what people actually do for their jobs through authentic day-in-the-life stories, all housed in one place which aims to give you a more detailed understanding of what a job actually entails, and have the confidence to apply.

 Many job adverts will request that you submit a CV as part of the application process. Having a CV ready that can be quickly updated is important for any new job seeker. [This guide](#) will get you started.

 Did you know that there are specialist job boards for lots of different industries? For example, [Hitmarker](#) is the largest gaming and esports jobs platform in the world. To find them search the name of the industry you're interested in followed by "job board".

## EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

There are different pathways to qualification as a solicitor at Bird & Bird. Whether you're finishing school or college, commencing a university degree, or considering changing to a career in law, we have opportunities for you. From workshops, panel discussions and law fairs, to online work experience and open days, there's so much to discover at Bird & Bird.

Find out more [here](#).

## UNI SPOTLIGHT

"More law students have chosen The University of Law than any other UK university in 2023. At the University, we go beyond academic excellence. Our guiding principle is that our students are taught in a realistic, professional and contemporary context, with plenty of practical interactive engagement and one-to-one teaching and support."

Read more about the University of Law [here](#).

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## YEAR 11 DESTINATION DATA COLLECTION



During 'The Great Big Plan' on Friday 9th January 2026, we will begin to ask our Year 11 students for where they are going after Trafalgar (sixth form / college / apprenticeship / etc.) - this is their intended destination. Collecting this information in January will help us to support students with their chosen post-16 pathway and offer any further careers guidance that may be needed.



To make this process go quickly and smoothly, all Year 11 students need to know:

- Which sixth form/college(s)/employer (if apprenticeship) they have applied to and are intending to go to
- The status of their application (sent, accepted, pending, etc.)
- The type of course that has been applied for (A Levels, BTEC, a mixture, T Levels, apprenticeship, etc.)
- The level of the course (Level 1, 2 or 3)
- The subjects that will be studied (Maths, English, Criminology, etc.)



Students will also need to know their personal email address. School email addresses stop working as soon as students leave Trafalgar, so it is vital to have a personal email address that is monitored for information from prospective sixth forms/colleges daily.

For more information please read our 'Destination Data Strategy' on the website.

*Merry Christmas &  
Happy New Year*

### LOCAL APPRENTICESHIPS SPOTLIGHT

"Apprentice Customer Service Advisor, Hendy Group - Jaguar Land Rover, Southampton.

We are looking for talented individuals to join us as Apprentice Customer Service Advisors at Southampton Jaguar Land Rover. If you are ambitious, enthusiastic and eager to learn, this is the perfect opportunity for you. As an Apprentice Customer Service Advisor you will interpret customer concerns and comments, book and schedule vehicle services, estimate time and costs associated with repairs and many other daily responsibilities. On successful completion of the one-year programme, you will receive a Level 2 Customer Service Practitioner Standard and JLR specific certifications.

You will earn £7.55 per hour working 40 hours a week."

To find more exciting apprenticeship opportunities in the local area, click [here](#).



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## POST-16 PROVIDER OPEN EVENTS & APPLICATION DEADLINES

		OPEN EVENTS INFORMATION	APPLICATION DEADLINES (for September 2026 entry)
S6C		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Applications open: 1st October 2025 Applications close: 31st January 2026
WILTSHIRE COLLEGE		Saturday 22nd November 2025, 10am Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2026, 5pm	Apply before February half term but be aware that some courses get filled up so the earlier the better.
SOUTH WILTS		Open Afternoon: Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2025 2.10pm Arrival (please do not arrive before 2.10pm) 2.20 – 2.40pm – talk in main hall 2.40 – 3.30pm – tour of the school  Taster Day for Applicants: Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Application deadline Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2026
BROCKENHURST		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Application deadline Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2026.
PETER SYMONDS		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Applications open: 15th September 2025 Applications close: 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
BURGATE		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.  Taster Day: Wednesday 12th November 2025, 8:30am – 3pm <i>You must register for a place via the website before 2nd November 2025</i>	2026 applications are now open, no advertised deadline yet.
BISHOPS		Friday 13th February 2026	2026 applications are now open. Deadline Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February at 4pm.
ANDOVER COLLEGE		Thursday 13th November 2025 Thursday 12th February 2026 Wednesday 6th May 2026 Saturday 13th June 2026	No official deadline but be aware that some courses get filled up so the earlier the better.
SPARSHOLT		Saturday 8th November 2025 Saturday 7th February 2026 Saturday 7th March 2026 Wednesday 29th April 2026 Thursday 11th June 2026	(Open on the 5th October). They take applications right up until the start of the course, but only if places are available (so apply much earlier if you can).
RINGWOOD		Thursday 13th November, 5.30 – 7.30pm	Application deadline Thursday 11th December 2025
BARTON PEVERIL		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Application deadline 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026.

- If you miss an event, contact the college / sixth form directly to ask to arrange a visit / tour.
- Times and dates above may be subject to change so please check individual provider websites.
- Booking in advance is needed for most events; please check individual provider websites for details.

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