

# Huntington School Aspirations Department



## Aspirations Update

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[Click here to view our provision overview, policies and provider access information.](#)

## How to get Careers Advice at Huntington:

### Students:

- You can contact Mr Daniel via email at [s.daniel@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:s.daniel@huntington-ed.org.uk) for remote advice.
- You can book face to face meetings with Mr Daniel by emailing directly or by speaking to your form tutor.
- You can call into the Aspirations Office before school, after school, during break and during lunch without an appointment.

### Parents/Carers:

- You can also contact Mr Daniel via email at [s.daniel@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:s.daniel@huntington-ed.org.uk) for remote advice.
- If you would rather telephone, please contact school Mr Daniel on 01904 752113 (please leave a message if Mr Daniel is unavailable).

### Everybody:

- You may also find the answer to your question on the Huntington School Aspirations website:  
<https://www.huntingtonschool.co.uk/page/?title=Aspirations&pid=88>



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## 2023-24 Post-16 Pathways – a guide for young people, parents and carers on next steps after Year 11



Deciding what you want to do after year 11 can be both an exciting and stressful time. There is, however, plenty of support available to help you make decisions. You may find it helpful to share the information in this booklet with your parent or carer.

York has a wide range of high-quality choices available for all young people, at all levels. Whatever you are doing now, there is a pathway for you to follow in 2024-25.

This booklet gives initial information and tells you where to find out more. It has been designed with all students in mind, with the sections listed in blue containing additional information for students with an existing Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

You can access the guide [here](#)!

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**Helping you to  
make better  
choices**

» Explore the universe of jobs linked to the subjects you are studying

This OUTSTANDING website is an essential resource for any student who is thinking about their future plans. There is also a section for parents, carers and employers too!

You can find out about lots of different jobs, which are most in demand, what they pay and how to get into them!

You can register, but there is no need to as all the content is free and available!

Click [here](#) to visit!

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Construction York is a new initiative in the city that aims to provide opportunities for people interested in working in construction!

There are already a number of opportunities on the website (although many of these will be more suited to adults already working in the field). However, you can use the 'Contact Us' feature to get in touch and let them know you're interested in construction!



So, whether you're a Year 10 student wanting work experience in construction, a Year 11 student looking for an employer to do an apprenticeship with, or a sixth former looking for work or other enrichment opportunities, get in touch and let them know—they might be able to help!

Simply go to 'Contact Us,' and when it asks for your description, click 'Other' and provide more information about yourself and your situation. You can access the website here:

<https://constructionyork.co.uk/>

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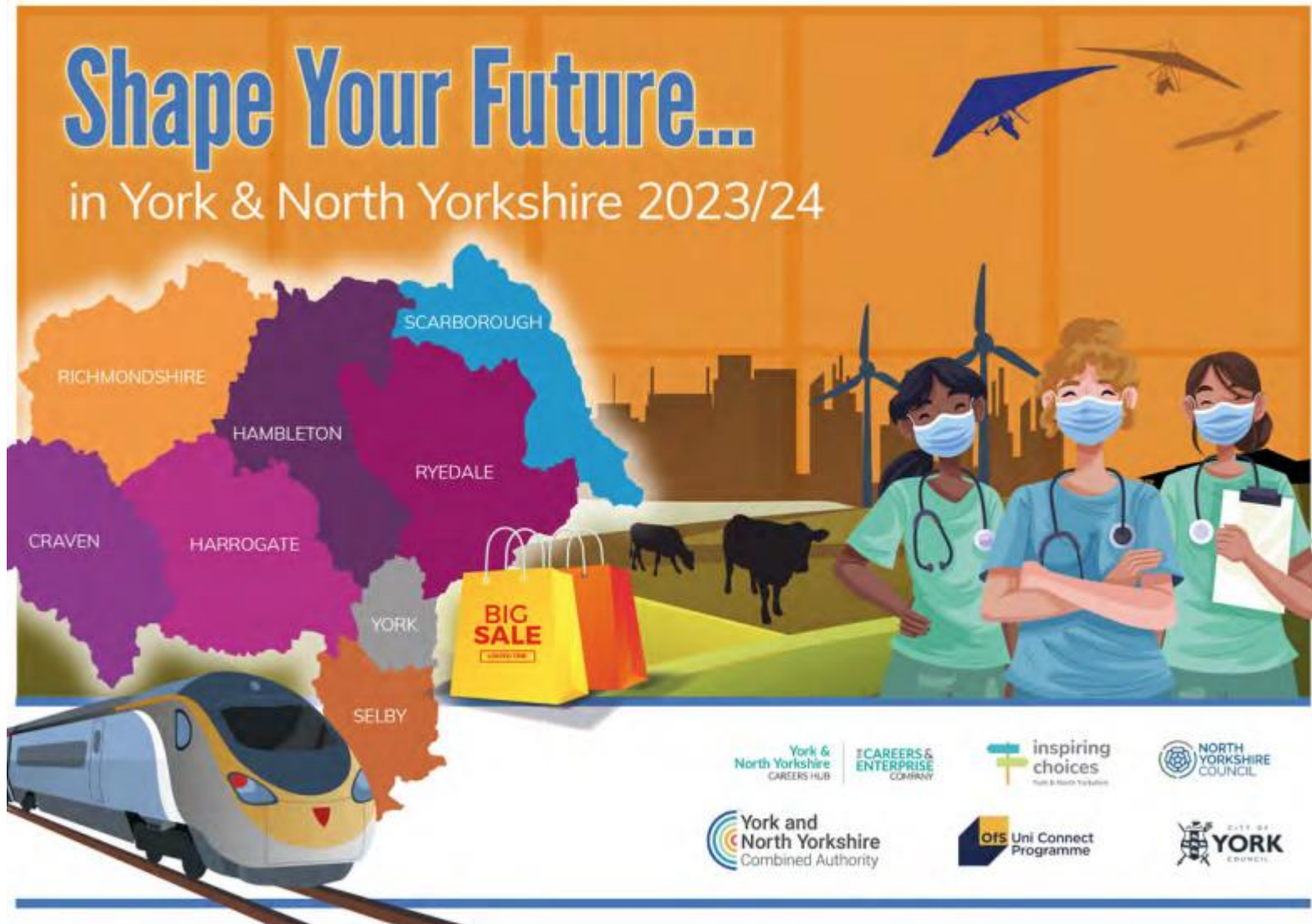
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## Local Labour Market Information (LMI)



The more you know about which jobs and skills are most needed in your area, the more successful you will be!

Get ahead of the game by checking out the [Shape Your Future guide](#).

The guide is full of Labour Market Information plus lots of great advice on jobs, education and training!

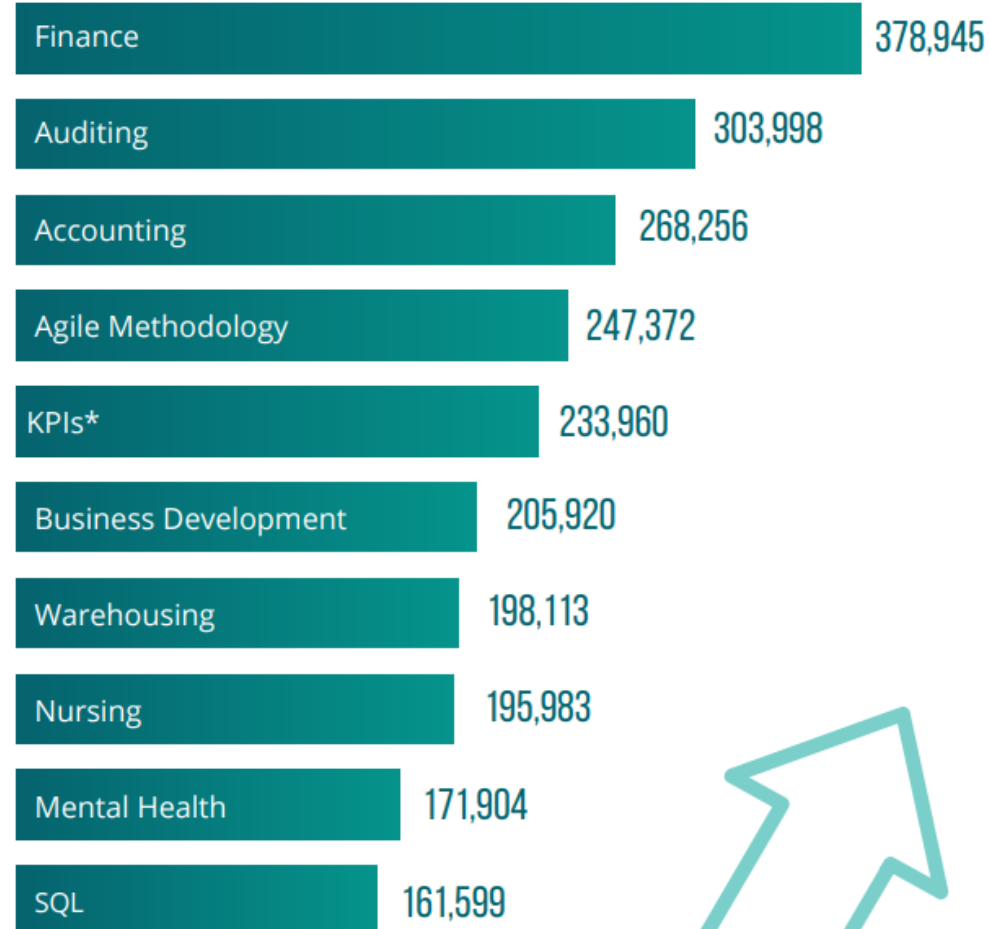
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## National Labour Market Information (LMI)

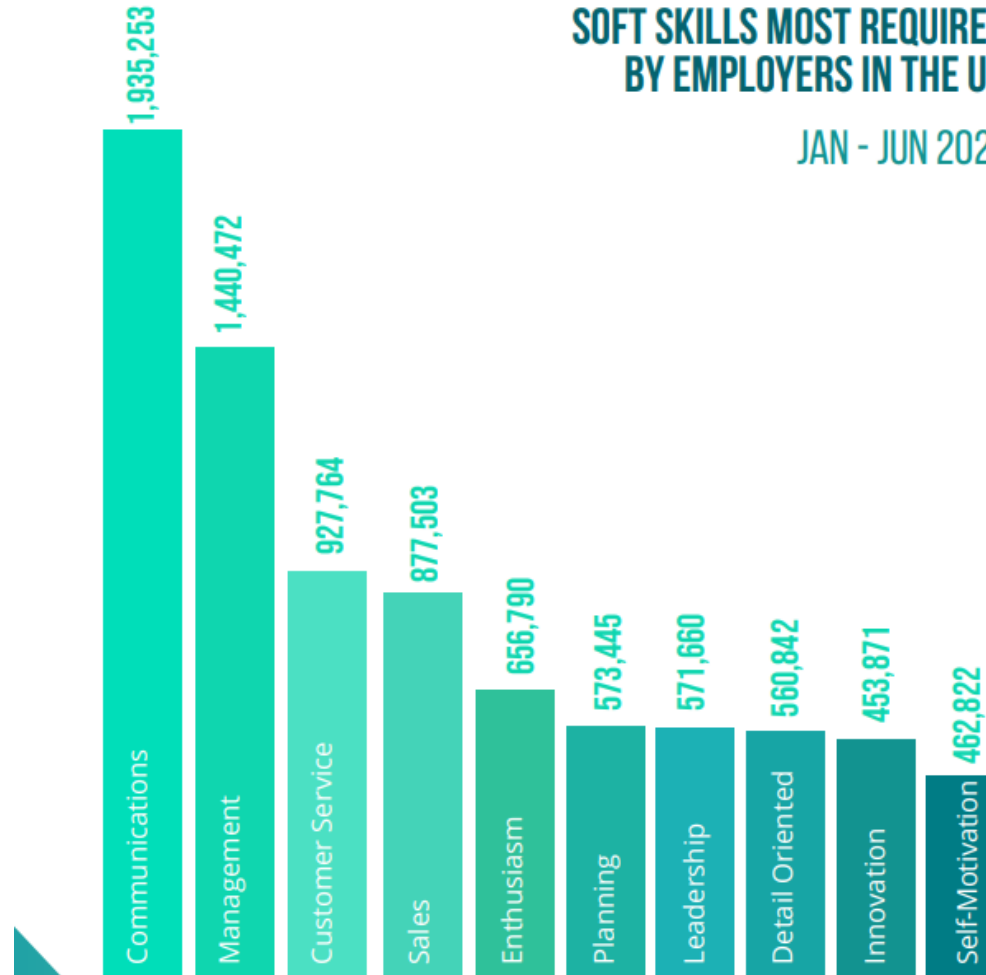
### HARD SKILLS MOST REQUIRED BY EMPLOYERS IN THE UK



\*Key Performance Indicators

### SOFT SKILLS MOST REQUIRED BY EMPLOYERS IN THE UK

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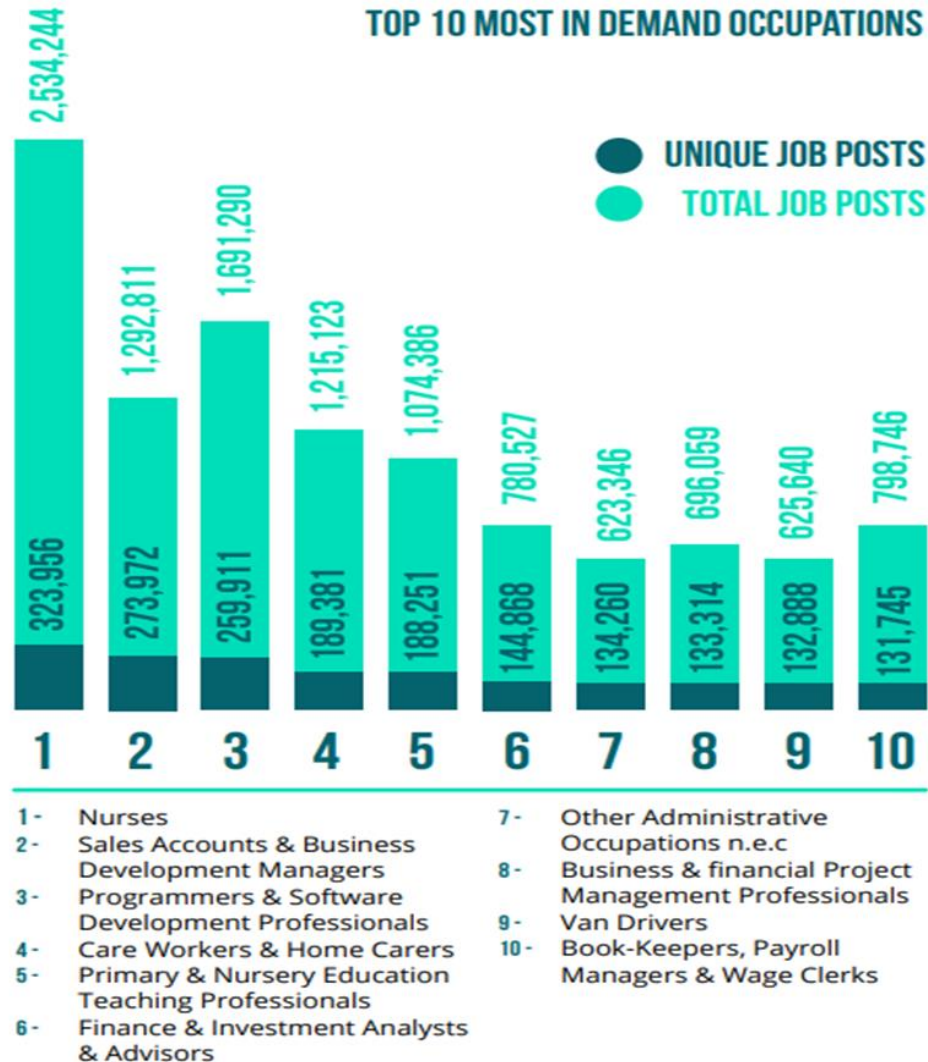


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## National Labour Market Information (LMI)



You can check out more detailed regional, national and international Labour Market Information by clicking [here](#)!

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Learn Live have worked successfully with companies like The BBC, Balfour Beatty, Gatwick Airport, National Apprenticeship Service, Lancashire LEP, Network Rail, IBM, Health Education England and The NHS since 2015 to deliver careers advice, recruitment opportunities and health awareness broadcasts into schools and colleges across the UK.

The Learn Live technology is free to schools and colleges and doesn't require any additional equipment to be purchased or procured to interact with the live broadcasts. All broadcasts can be viewed via interactive whiteboards or projectors using IE or Google Chrome browsers on existing laptops, PCs or via an app on tablet devices.

Since 2015, Learn Live have delivered over 350 live broadcasts and reached over 400,000 young people in schools, colleges and other educational institutions including Job Centre Plus. Over 2,000 schools and colleges have also engaged with the on demand video content with live interactive chat.

For more information and to register/view [click here](#)

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## Signposting and Support Café



- CV and Career Support
- Exam and School Stress
- Sexual Health Services
- Condom Distribution
- Budgeting and Independent Living
- Signposting to further support services

Helpful advice and support provided  
by experienced youth workers

Wednesdays 4-5pm in Haxby  
at St. Mary's Hall- Ages 15-19

Free hot or cold drink  
while you chat with us



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The Careers and Enterprise Company have produced 'Work It' - a series of short videos, made by young people, about a range of careers.

Have a look if you have a particular career in mind, or even if you just want some ideas and inspiration!

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLok8K4l1AJqZ2TAdJjKAO5dS0Xm12jIBT>



The BBC Bitesize website has loads of great information about all things.

You will find loads of videos, information and resources to help you on your careers journey.

[https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zwc\\_sb7h](https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zwc_sb7h)

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## Humber and North Yorkshire Careers Hub

This excellent resource is a one stop shop for everything health and care careers related across Humber and North Yorkshire. Students, teachers, parents and careers can:

- Search the interactive career pathway to find a career for you
- Search and apply jobs
- Search and apply for apprenticeships
- Prepare like a pro – useful guides for writing a CV and Interview Techniques
- Explore the education and training pathway to find the best route into the sector for you

Click here to access this brilliant resource: [www.hnycareershub.co.uk](http://www.hnycareershub.co.uk)



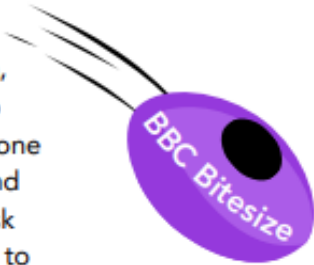


## Careers Tour 2024-25

### Dear Parents & Guardians,

You may be aware that we recently visited your child's school as part of our BBC Bitesize Careers Tour - we really hope they enjoyed the session. The Bitesize Careers Tour aims to visit 125,000 secondary school students across the UK in a bid to inspire young people about their future job prospects and forms part of a wider remit of the BBC to inform, educate and entertain.

As part of the event, your child will have been introduced to three panellists from a variety of job sectors in your local area, which has hopefully sparked their imagination with regards to what might be achievable for them in the future. In addition, one of our well-known BBC presenters will have led the session and offered their own input into their career journey. Please do ask your child about the event and whether or not they managed to catch our infamous rugby ball!



### How can Bitesize Careers help?

Schools are often a starting point for your child to think about their future, but BBC Bitesize is also here for them every step of the way. You may be familiar with the wide range of educational content on offer via BBC Bitesize, but there's also a huge amount of content available to them with regards to careers. Please do explore our site when you get a moment, as it might help spark a conversation with your child about their future career. It's never too early to start thinking about this!

**Please follow the QR code below to visit BBC Bitesize Careers - and a huge thanks to your child's school for facilitating our event.**

**BBC Bitesize Careers:  
Here for you,  
every step of the way.**



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Channel Talent run a range of great webinars aimed (usually) at students who are considering university in a range of subjects. Some focus on subject content and some the logistics of university!

In the past, a lot of these events have fallen in school time so it has been difficult for our students/staff to attend. However, many now seem to be outside of school!

Have a look and see if any interest you! More will be added in the future!!

- **April 23 @ 11:10 - 11:55** English Literature: 'Never Let Me Go' by Kazuo Ishiguro - UEA (16+) [Find out more »](#)
- **April 24 @ 10:10 - 10:55** Media/Sociology: End of Audience with UEA (16+) [Find out more »](#)
- **April 29 @ 13:30 - 14:15** Classics: Virgil The Roman Historian? - Edinburgh (16+) [Find out more »](#)
- **April 29 @ 16:30 - 17:15** HE Guidance: How Do I Manage My Money At University? - UEA (16+) [Find out more »](#)
- **April 30 @ 10:15 - 11:00** Economics/Business: Protectionism Rising - Trade War & The Pursuit of 'Optimum Tariffs' - UEA (16+) [Find out more »](#)
- **April 30 @ 16:15 - 17:15** Biology/Medicine: Routes To Medicine - Warwick (16+) [Find out more »](#)
- **May 1 @ 11:30 - 12:20** Psychology: The Research Process - From Analysis To Final Conclusions - UEA & Ipsa (16+) [Find out more »](#)
- **May 1 @ 14:10 - 14:55** Biology/Env. Science: How Bacteria Build Soils In Extreme Environments - UEA (16+) [Find out more »](#)

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Psychology programme with UEA and Ipsa  
The Seminar Series comprises:

- **Seminar 3: 27th February, 11:30-12:20** – *Identifying General Patterns in Data, Statistical Analyses & Insights into How Research is Now Conducted in The Social Sciences*
- **Seminar 4: 1st May, 11:30-12:20** – *Findings, Our Analysis Approach, Revisiting Our Original Hypotheses, Limitations, Final Conclusions & Dissemination*
- **Seminar 5: 19th June, 16:30-17:15** – *Studying Psychology at University – Classes, Teaching & Assessments, Developing Research Skills/Experience & Careers (Details & Registration Open from Easter).*

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**Work Experience Opportunities**

*Most useful for Y10-13*



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## What is Youth Card?

Youth Card is a free mobile app that acts as a one-stop shop for amazing opportunities (such as work experience) and has been designed specially to benefit young people aged 11-25 who live in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

By downloading the free app, young people gain instant access to thousands of opportunities in their local community and beyond. No strings attached.

To download, visit:



## What is InvestIn?

InvestIn run a number of virtual and in person work experiences in a range of sectors such as computer science, media, architecture, medicine (also veterinary and dentistry), engineering, business and investment banking.



You can attend courses in person (usually in London, Manchester or Birmingham), although you can also do online weekend work experiences which are cheaper.

Their courses are not free, but Huntington students do get a 10% discount by using the code HUNTINGTON10 when applying.

To view InvestIN's current work experience opportunities, [click here!](#)

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## Work Experience in Pharmacy

North East, North Cumbria & Yorkshire

In partnership with:



Looking to build a meaningful career? Want the opportunity to improve the health and wellbeing of your community directly? In this virtual work experience programme, you'll discover the pharmacy teams' role in supporting health and wellbeing with North East and North Cumbria ICB, South Yorkshire ICB, West Yorkshire ICB, and Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership. We'll introduce you to the range of pharmacy careers and pathways in the health and social care sector so that you can kickstart your journey in this key area.

-  This programme is open to anyone aged 13+
-  Certificate of completion
-  Over 6 hours worth of content
-  Complete at a pace that suits you

**Scan Me**  
To sign up for this course



## Allied Health – North East & Yorkshire

In partnership with:







**Humber and North Yorkshire**  
Health and Care Partnership

Health and care is one of the most exciting and important sectors in the UK. Careers such as those in allied health keep us healthy and put us back on track when things go wrong. This programme introduces you to the world of the allied health professions within the North East and Yorkshire, and will help you understand the diverse opportunities and careers within the sector.

**Scan Me**  
for more information



-  This programme is open to anyone aged 13+
-  Certificate of completion
-  Over 7 hours worth of content
-  Complete at a pace that suits you

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## MIDWIFERY TASTER SESSION

Friday 9th May  
10:00 - 15:00  
Scarborough Hospital

### Who is it for?

This opportunity is for any sixth form or college student who is interested in becoming a midwife, or working in the midwifery team, whether via university or apprenticeship route.

### How to apply

Please complete the form to book your place by scanning the code or going to:



<https://forms.microsoft.com/e/zMuMZQxPcw>

### Contact Us

 [yhs-tr.workexperience@nhs.net](mailto:yhs-tr.workexperience@nhs.net)

### What will I be doing?

-  Discover the entry routes into midwifery  
Meet our midwives and hear about their journeys. Discover whether university or an apprenticeship is the route for you.
-  Learn about the role  
Find out what the job is really like by completing some simulation activities, learning what skills and qualities we are looking for in our future workforce.
-  Ask questions  
Meet a range of our midwives on different stages of their career, who have a wealth of experience in the role.



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## Work Experience Opportunities Being Promoted Now

Organisation	Description	Age Suitability	Further Information
Speakers for Schools	Various online experiences	Years 10-13	<a href="#">Virtual Work Experience   VWEX   Speakers for Schools</a>
Uptree	Various work experiences	Years 10-13	<a href="#">Professional network for young people (uptree.co)</a>
Springpod	Various work experiences	Years 10-13	<a href="#">It's time to take control of your future   Springpod</a>
PwC	Various insight and information events about working in professional survives (business, ICT, finance, technology)	Year 12	<a href="#">Student Careers   PwC UK Careers</a>



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## Work Experience Opportunities Being Promoted Now

Organisation	Description	Age Suitability	Further Information
Law Mentor	A sister site of medic mentor providing a range of recourses, programmes and work experience for students interested in Law	Years 11-13	<a href="#">Home - Law Mentor</a>
Future Learn	A range of (often) free online courses to develop your knowledge in a range of subjects/careers	Year 10 – 13 (and beyond)	<a href="#">FutureLearn: Online Courses and Degrees from Top Universities</a>

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Organisation	Description	Age Suitability	Further Information
Friends of Amarna House	Volunteer Befriender to visit and interact with a resident through a range of activities selected by mutual agreement.  3 hours per week for at least 6 months	Year 12, Year 13	For more information, contact <a href="mailto:info@friendsofcarehomes.org.uk">info@friendsofcarehomes.org.uk</a>
British Transport Police Cadets	British Transport Police are recruiting Cadets.  Every Tuesday evening, 6pm-8pm during term time at York Railway Station.	Year 8 - 13	Email: <a href="mailto:richard.price@btp.police.uk">richard.price@btp.police.uk</a>  Click <a href="#">here</a> for more information

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## Work Experience Opportunities Being Promoted Now

Organisation	Description	Age Suitability	Further Information
Young Professionals	Business & Accounting Easter Work Experience  Thursday 17th April, 10am-3pm	Year 11 – Year 13	Click <a href="#">here</a> to register
Young Professionals	Young Professionals Easter Law Work Experience Day Linklaters, Fragomen & ULaw  Tuesday 15th April, 10am - 3pm	Year 11 – Year 13	Click <a href="#">here</a> to register

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Organisation	Description	Age Suitability	Further Information
Young Professionals	KPMG Virtual Experience Day - Easter Holidays  Monday, 14th April - 10am – 3pm  Gain Real-World Experience with KPMG	Year 11 – Year 13	Click <a href="#">here</a> to register
Medic Mentor	Get Into Medicine Conference  Saturday 5th April from 9:30am - 3:30pm	Year 11 – Year 13	Click <a href="#">here</a> to register



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## Work Experience Opportunities Being Promoted Now

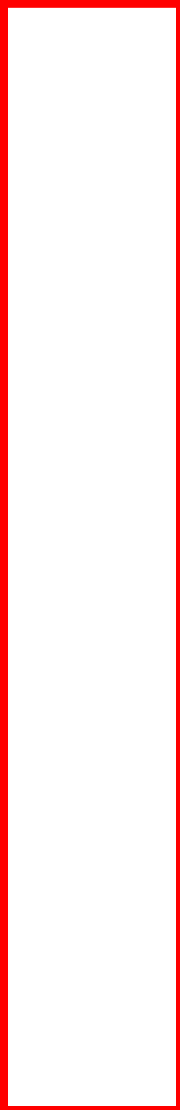
Organisation	Description	Age Suitability	Further Information
PwC	<p>Inside look: A day in the life of our school leavers Date: Tuesday 29 April, 4:30-5:30pm</p> <p>A day in the life of our Flying Start accounting degree programme Date: Thursday 15 May, 4:30-5:30pm</p>	Year 11 – Year 13	Click <a href="#">here</a> to register

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## Work Experience Opportunities Being Promoted Now

Organisation	Description	Age Suitability	Further Information
Medic Mentor	Get Into Dentistry Conference  Sunday 6th April from 10:30am - 4:30pm	Year 11 – Year 13	Click <a href="#">here</a> to register



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**Post 16 Education Info**

*Most Useful for Year 11*

## Post-16 Providers Open Events

### York College:

- **10<sup>th</sup> February 2025, 5.30-8.00pm**
- **1<sup>st</sup> April 2025, 5.30-7.30pm**
- **19<sup>th</sup> June 2025, 5.30-7.30pm**

For more information and to book (*not necessary but recommended*) visit the [events section](#) of the College website.

### Askham Bryan College:

- **29th March 2025**
- **21st June 2025**

For more information and to book (**strongly recommended**) visit the [events section](#) of the College website.



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## General Information on Post-16 Providers



Huntington School  
Sixth Form

For information on the Huntington School Sixth Form, you can click [here](#), contact Mr Johnson on [m.johnson@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:m.johnson@huntington-ed.org.uk) or just ask your teachers!



**ASKHAM BRYAN  
COLLEGE**

You can view a prospectus on their or by clicking [here](#).

For general information on Askham Bryan (including courses) you can visit their [website](#) or contact [student.recruitment@askham-bryan.ac.uk](mailto:student.recruitment@askham-bryan.ac.uk)

You can view a prospectus for York College by clicking [here](#), or come and grab a prospectus from Aspirations.



For general information on York College (including courses), you can visit their [website](#), view York College [On-Demand](#) or contact [info4schools@yorkcollege.ac.uk](mailto:info4schools@yorkcollege.ac.uk)

## ASKHAM BRYAN COLLEGE

For upcoming events at Askham Bryan  
College, click [here](#)

For general enquiries, email  
[student.recruitment@askham-bryan.ac.uk](mailto:student.recruitment@askham-bryan.ac.uk)

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## Join us for an Open Morning

Our Open Morning's typically take place once a month. Head over to our website for dates, more information and to register.

## 12-week Residential Foundation Course

For those people seeking their first taste of racing, our foundation course will ensure they have the necessary skills to gain employment in the racing industry.

- For anyone aged 16+
- 12 weeks at the NHC and 6 weeks work placement
- Courses start every 4 weeks
- Riding and non-riding option
- No previous equine experience or academic qualifications required

To find out more about the National Horseracing College visit their website at <https://www.thenhc.co.uk/>

Remember the NHC is residential, so you could live there while you study!

## Want to further your career and gain qualifications?

- Fast Track and Exemption Courses for those working in racing
- Level 2 Apprenticeship Equine Groom (Racing)
- Level 3 Apprenticeship Senior Equine Groom (Racing)
- Level 4 Learning Programmes in the Horseracing Industry
- Licensing Courses for Jockeys, Amateur Riders and Trainers
- Administration Courses for Trainers, Assistant Trainers and Racing Secretaries
- Regional Staff Development Programme
- Level 1, 2 and 3 Award in Equestrian Coaching (Racing)

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LAUNCH A BEAUTIFUL CAREER

COURSES ENROLLING NOW!

Learning Curve Group are currently recruiting learners for the following courses within their Harrogate Academy for September 2024:

- **Level 2 Beauty Therapy** (*Manicure, Pedicure, Facial, Waxing, Threading, Eye Treatments & Makeup*)
- **Level 2 Hair & Media Makeup** (*Apply Makeup, Dressing Hair, Media Makeup, Fashion & Photographic Makeup and Shaping & Colouring Brows*)
- **Level 3 Nail Services** (*Acrylic Nails, E-Filing, 3D, 4D, One-stroke, Airbrushing & Powder Pigments*)

They can support all learning levels

To apply, please email  
[k.barker@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:k.barker@huntington-ed.org.uk) for a  
copy of the application form

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**Apprenticeships and Jobs**

*Most useful for Years 11-13*

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There are always lots of apprenticeships being advertised in the York area. You can search for them [here!](#)

To apply for these apprenticeships, you will need to be registered to the [National Apprenticeships Service](#).

You can also register to receive apprenticeship updates and vacancies by completing [this form!](#)

*Remember, you can also find apprenticeships by asking employers if they can offer you one! If you don't ask, you don't get!*



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## Y12 Apprenticeship Presentation (PSHE)

Recently, Mr Daniel (our careers leader) delivered a presentation to Y12 as part of their PSHE and employability work.

You can view the video [here](#) and the accompanying PDF [here](#).

Although delivered for Y12, this is useful to other KS4/5 Year Groups, and we encourage any parents/carers of students considering apprenticeships to watch this presentation.



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The [PARENTS PACK](#) from Amazing Apprenticeships is updated monthly and contains lots of information. In addition to apprenticeships, the document also has information other training routes such as the new T levels; not to mention general employability and application skills and support.

The Amazing Apprenticeships website is worth a visit too, it tends to be favoured by the Local Authority when it comes to apprenticeships advice and support (the [vacancy snapshot](#) is really good).

There are loads of other great websites when it comes to apprenticeships/employability. Click on the images below to view some of our favourites! **These are especially good for Y13 leavers!**



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Motivated to ensure you get that apprenticeship?

This outstanding resource from the Apprenticeships Hub is an absolute MUST!

It provides details and contact information for ALL of the apprenticeship providers in the region.

Want an apprenticeship... [click here](#) to have a read and get in touch!

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## Organisations Actively Recruiting Apprentices Now

Organsiation	Role	Minimum Age	Info / How to Apply	Additional Info
York Apprenticeships Hub	Various	Year 11	Click <a href="#">here</a>	Register to weekly vacancy email
Amazing Apprenticeships	Various	Year 11	Click <a href="#">here</a>	Search and research
National Apprenticeships Service	Various	Year 11	Click <a href="#">here</a>	Search and apply
UCAS Apprenticeships	Various	Year 11	Click <a href="#">here</a>	Search engine
Rate My Apprenticeship	Various	Year 11	Click <a href="#">here</a>	Search engine
Not Going to Uni	Various	Year 11	Click <a href="#">here</a>	Search engine

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Organsiation	Role	Minimum Age	Info / How to Apply	Additional Info
York College	Various	Year 11	Click <a href="#">here</a> for current vacancies	
Portakabin	Various	Year 11	No application currently but still worth getting in touch (see next box)	For more information, email <a href="mailto:jo.brownsword@portakabin.com">jo.brownsword@portakabin.com</a>
Derwent Training (DTA)	Engineering/ Advanced Engineering	Year 11	<a href="http://derwenttraining.co.uk">Apprenticeships (derwenttraining.co.uk)</a>	Contact <a href="mailto:info@derwenttraining.co.uk">info@derwenttraining.co.uk</a> or 01653 697698 for more info

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## Organisations Actively Recruiting Apprentices Now

Organsiation	Role	Minimum Age	Info / How to Apply	Additional Info
AMRC	Various Engineering Roles	Year 11	<a href="#">Home   AMRC Training</a>	For more information, email <a href="mailto:l.sellers@sheffield.ac.uk">l.sellers@sheffield.ac.uk</a> or <a href="mailto:recruitment@amrctraining.co.uk">recruitment@amrctraining.co.uk</a>
Talentview Construction	Various Construction Apprenticeships	Year 11	<a href="https://talentview.org/construction">https://talentview.org/construction</a>	
QA Apprenticeships	Various ICT and tech apprenticeships	Year 11	<a href="#">Apprenticeship Jobs   QA tech, Digital &amp; IT apprenticeship jobs</a>	Register Interest here: <a href="#">QA Apprenticeship - Still in education (kallidusrecruit.com)</a>

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Organsiation	Role	Minimum Age	Info / How to Apply	Additional Info
KPMG	Audit Apprenticeship	Year 13	Click <a href="#">here</a> for more information and to apply	
PWC	Various Professional Services Apprenticeships & Vocational Degree programmes	Year 12 - 13	See following links: <a href="#">Leaver Programmes</a> <a href="#">Flying Start Degrees</a> <a href="#">General Advice and Support</a>	
Plan BEE Rail	Higher Apprenticeship (Level 4) in Project Management, now recruiting for <b>September 2025</b>	Year 13	Click <a href="#">here</a> for more information and to apply	

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## Organisations Actively Recruiting Apprentices Now

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Sticky Fingers Tiny School	Childcare Apprenticeship	Year 11 – Year 13	Email <a href="mailto:stickyfingersyork@gmail.com">stickyfingersyork@gmail.com</a> for more information or call 01904 400244	
Portakabin	Degree Apprenticeship in Engineering	Year 13	Click <a href="#">here</a> to apply	Closing date: 7th April



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**Post-18**

*Most useful for Years 12-13*

## Thinking about University?

UCAS have produced a series of articles to support students considering university. The top 5 careers advice links for the new term are:

**Everything you need to know about university open days:**

[Check out our guide to getting the most out of university open days.](#)

**How to write a brilliant personal statement:**

[Find out how to structure your UCAS personal statement.](#)

**How to motivate yourself to study as a student:**

[Check out these tips on how to motivate yourself to study as a student](#)

**Should I take a gap year:**

[some of the positive things that can come from taking a year out from studying.](#)

**Part-time work, what can I do:**

[Find out how it all works.](#)

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## Unsure what to do after sixth form? Considering a gap year?

### Free and impartial GAP YEAR ADVICE

WE ARE NOT a company trying to sell gap years.

WE ARE UNPAID VOLUNTEERS with 20+ years experience of the gap year market, wanting to help post-16 students make good decisions for their future.

*We save you time.*

<https://independentgapadvice.org/>

*'The service you are providing is incredibly valid and relevant in such a complicated market.'*  
Dr Kirsty Verney, Churchers College



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The options for post-16 school and college leavers:

Get a job

FE College course

Apprenticeship

University

Go travelling

Take a gap year

Independent Gap Advice are a voluntary-run organisation who advise young people about their best gap-year options!

Visit their website to find out more!

For a really useful document about your MANY Post-18 options [click here](#), and for a database of the various organisations who provide gap year opportunities [click here](#)

You can also find additional info about Gap Years on Page 7 of [this guide](#)!

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## Future Learn

Future learn provide a number of online courses which can help you develop your knowledge in a range of subjects/careers. Their courses are designed by world-class universities!

The majority of the courses are free, with additional costs for various add-ons (which you don't need to take)

To see the full range of courses, visit: [FutureLearn: Online Courses and Degrees from Top Universities](#)

At the moment that have a great course called 'Career Planning and Making the Most of Your Degree' course. This course will help identify your strengths and learn how to use your time at university to explore career options and prepare for future job roles.

It will help anyone unsure whether university is right for them to identify how to make the most of a degree to better their employability after graduation.

For more information visit: [University and Your Future: Career Planning and Making the Most of Your Degree \(futurelearn.com\)](#)

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## Paid Gap-Year with Yipiyap



For more information and to apply [click here](#).

If you would like to meet with a Yipiyap representative (in school), contact Mr Daniel!

A Gap Year Find out all about Yipiyap in two minutes at [yipiyap.co.uk/film](http://yipiyap.co.uk/film) Yipiyap is a truly gold-standard gap year. We recruit high achieving gap-year students to provide academic support and inspire learners in schools, in colleges and online.

This kind of small group support with a relatable peer mentor (you!) is shown to make a big difference to learners' confidence and outcomes. It also provides you with some amazing professional experience to build your skills and confidence before you go to university.

So, if you like the sound of paid employment with a benefits package, invaluable professional experience, and the chance to make a real difference to young people's lives, we want to hear from you!