







## **Careers Newsletter**

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heardabout from employers and universities. Pleaseuse the linksincluded to readmore information and apply to anything you are interested in

#### **Opportunities**

National STEM Day is a designated annual observance taking place on the 8th November, celebrating the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. What is National STEM Day? Glossary

"From the start of his journey as a graduate, Sam's been given real responsibility working across impactful projects – helping him develop and learn something new every day." Meet Sam, Graduate Electrical Engineer at BAE Systems here. Meet Sam - Graduate Electrical Engineer, UK

An EDT placement will give students an opportunity to continue their STEM journey after leaving school or college and take a paid gap year to help inform and shape their future career choices. They will gain invaluable experience working in industry, develop their skills and knowledge, and boost their future employability. Read more and apply here. <u>Programmes - Platinum Placements</u>

"Were inviting you to take part in early testing of Springpod's brand new Al Interview Coach an interactive tool designed to help you build confidence, practice interviews, and receive personalised feedback." Here is the link to take part <u>Al</u> coach student guide (1).pdf

#### Job of the month

# <u>Electrical engineer job profile</u> <u>Prospects.ac.uk</u>

An electrical engineer designs, develops, builds, and maintains electrical systems, componsent and machinery across various sectors like energy, transport, and manufacturing. Key responsibilities include creating teachnical designs, conducsting studies, managing budgets and timelines, ensuring projects meet safety codes and clinet needs, and peroforming maintenance and testing.

#### **Labour market information fact**

# <u>Electrical engineer job profile |</u> <u>Prospects.ac.uk</u>

"Young perople are clear about what they want; fair pay (60%), flexible hours (71%) and autonomy (59%), But more than half (53%) fear AI will take jobs, their hope from balance and innovation are reduced by fears of insecurity and exclusion."

Source - Youth Voice Census Results | 2025

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## How to support your child with careers?

At George Eliot Academy, we use Unifrog as our main online careers and destinations platform. It helps pupils explore their interests, research career pathways, and record the skills and experiences that will support their future applications. Parents and carers can play a vital role in supporting this process from home.

Below is a step-by-step guide on how you can use Unifrog to help your child plan their next steps.

#### Logging in

- Pupils can access Unifrog via www.unifrog.org using their school email address.
- They should already have login details if not, please contact Sophie Smith at Sophie.smith@georgeeliotacademy.org.uk.
- Parents can also create their own login using a special sign-up code provided by the school. This gives you access to the same resources your child sees.

#### **Explore careers and pathways**

- Click on the 'Careers Library' to explore hundreds of job profiles, each with information about salary, skills needed, and routes into the role.
- Use the 'Subjects Library' to see how school subjects connect to real-world careers.
- Browse the 'Careers Quiz' to help your child match their interests and strengths to potential jobs.

#### Research education and training routes

- Use Unifrog to compare college courses, sixth forms, apprenticeships, and university degrees all in one place.
- Each option includes entry requirements, location, and application guidance.
- Pupils can shortlist their favourite courses or apprenticeships to review later.

#### **Build skills and confidence**

- Encourage your child to complete the 'Competencies' section, where they can reflect on skills such as teamwork, leadership, and communication.
- Help them record extracurricular activities, volunteering, or part-time work under 'Activities' this information can be used in CVs and applications later.

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#### **Support with applications**

- When the time comes to apply for post-16 options, Unifrog helps pupils write personal statements, apprenticeship applications, and CVs.
- Parents can review their child's drafts and offer feedback or encouragement.
- The platform also provides tips and guides to help pupils present themselves professionally.

#### Talk about careers together

- Ask your child to show you what they've been researching on Unifrog it's a great conversation starter!
- Explore career options together and discuss the skills, qualifications, and pathways they might need.
- Encourage them to keep their profile up to date as they gain new experiences and achievements.

#### Need Help?

If you have any questions about using Unifrog or supporting your child's careers journey, please contact:

Sophie Smith – Careers leader – <u>Sophie.smith@georgeeliotacademy.org.uk</u>

### **Career Events in School**

#### **Careers Council**

We have currently elected our new careers council for the academic year. "The Careers Council at GEA is made up of pupils who have been elected to meet with the school careers advisor to promote and support the Careers Agenda.

They represent ideas of all pupils to help shape careers education and opportunities across the school."

They have been busy planning and supporting with the upcoming careers fair happening on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

#### **NHS Resus Workshop**

A group of Year 9 pupils recently took part in a hands-on workshop delivered by NHS professionals, where they learned essential life-saving skills. The session included practical training on how to perform CPR, how to administer EpiPens, and an introduction to other vital procedures and practices used within the NHS.

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This engaging workshop not only taught students how to respond in emergency situations, but also gave them valuable insight into careers in healthcare. It was a fantastic opportunity for pupils to develop confidence, teamwork, and potentially spark an interest in future roles within the NHS.

#### Well done to all who took part!

#### Year 11 Pupils explore their next steps with support from Miss Suchak

Miss Suchak has been actively supporting our Year 11 pupils in preparing for life beyond school by encouraging and accompanying them to open evenings at North Warwickshire and South Leicestershire College (NWSLC).

These events have given students the chance to explore a range of post-16 options, speak directly to tutors, and get a feel for college life. Attending open evenings is a crucial part of making informed decisions about the future — and it's been fantastic to see so many pupils engaging with the process.

Well done to all Year 11s who have attended local open evening events — you're taking positive steps towards your future!

# Upcoming Open Events for post 16 providers College & Sixth Form Open Events 2025 Update

Please kindly check event dates and times on individual organisation's website prior to attending as these could be subject to change

Organisation	Date & Time
NWSLC Nuneaton, Harrowbrook, Hinckley & MTI	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 4:00pm-7:00pm Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 9:30am-12:00pm
Coventry College	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 5:15pm-7:00pm Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 5:15pm-7:00pm
The George Eliot Academy Careers Fair	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 4:00pm – 6:30pm
Higham Lane sixth form	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> November 5:30pm-7:30pm
Nicholas Chamberlaine 6th Form	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> November 6:00pm-8:00pm
King Edward vi College	Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 9:30am to 12:30pm Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 4:00pm to 8:00pm Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 4:00pm to 8:00pm
St Thomas More Sixth Form	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 6:00pm
Etone College	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 5:00pm-7:00pm

Please check events are still going ahead as scheduled and if pre-registration is required.

These are PROVISIONAL DATES

For further support, contact Ree Suchak (Careers Advisor)

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