

Employability Matters!

The Kings Careers & Employability Bulletin

Kings Sixth Form course of the Term

Kings Sixth is an exciting, vibrant, and successful community that we want you to be part of. Each term we will showcase one of the inspiring courses we have on offer.

Physics A Level

A Level Physics is extremely well regarded by both employers and universities. It leads to many further education courses, especially in science, engineering, pharmacy, and medicine. The knowledge base and mental discipline you gain from its study are also coveted in careers within industry, business management, the armed forces, the city, and computing.

Find out more: [20211005KingsAcademySixthFormProspectus2022-23.pdf \(kovessex.co.uk\)](#) and [20211005KingsAcademySixthFormCourseGuide2022-23.pdf \(kovessex.co.uk\)](#)

Apprenticeship of the Term

On an apprenticeship, you're employed to do a real job while studying for a formal qualification, usually for one day a week either at a college or training centre. By the end of your apprenticeship, you'll hopefully have gained the skills and knowledge needed to either succeed in your chosen career or progress onto the next apprenticeship level. Each term we will highlight an interesting opportunity so that you have greater awareness of the possibilities available to you:

Mineral Products Technician Apprenticeship HANSON QUARRY PRODUCTS EUROPE LIMITED

Are you keen to obtain operational, technical, financial, and commercial skills through a structured apprenticeship programme?

Hanson's Leadership, Education and Development (LEAD) Supervisor higher apprenticeship programme is designed to develop careers in the mineral products industry.

Find out more: [Mineral Products Technician Apprenticeship - Find an apprenticeship \(findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk\)](#)



Welcome back to "Employability Matters!"

Each term we will showcase a variety of employability and careers information to guide and support you on your journey to work. Make sure to follow any links in the document to get complete information about each opportunity.

Careers & Employability Guidance

If you would like a 1:1 careers appointment please contact your tutor – they will refer you to Mrs Devlin, Employability Co-ordinator, as needed.

All- Years Drop- In Sessions

Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday lunchtime you can call into the Employability & Learning Hub (ELH) for a quick chat with Mrs Devlin. You can look at prospectuses, work on your UCAS application or research your next steps. The ELH is opposite the science block near the LRC.

Calling all students!

Don't forget to check out the new additions to the Employability section of the Kings website.

Useful websites & Information

Careers information and support for students aged 11-19:

[Careerpilot : Plan your future work & study](#)

For information about apprenticeships:

[Find an apprenticeship \(findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk\)](#)
[Amazing Apprenticeships](#)
[Apprenticeship search / Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education](#)

For up to date information about universities and applying to HE:

[UCAS | At the heart of connecting people to higher education](#)

University of the Term

You don't have to go to university and can build a career without a degree - but university can offer so much more than just a career path at the end. Going to university is a great way to expand your knowledge, meet new people, experience a new culture, and enjoy new experiences. You'll get plenty of support at university, and a chance to experience a great student lifestyle. You will choose a subject to study at an advanced level. Each term we will introduce you to a university and provide a link for you to find out more:

Plymouth Marjon University

Plymouth Marjon University – where students come first

Plymouth Marjon University sits on a green and spacious campus, with world-class facilities in a spectacular part of the world. But the thing that most makes us stand out is our students. They are the inspiration and motivation for all we do.

[Plymouth Marjon University](#)

University Course of the Term

Each term we will showcase a degree course offered at the university of the month to inspire and inform you.

BSc (Hons) Speech and Language Therapy

This popular course is no. 1 in England for student satisfaction in Speech and Language Therapy (Complete University Guide 2022) and scores 92% student satisfaction (NSS 2021).

Speech and language therapists (SLTs) enjoy a rewarding, specialist career working with parents, teachers, carers, nurses, doctors, and occupational therapists. Almost one in five experience communication difficulties and this is where SLTs support people to develop, restore, or give strategies to build communication. SLTs also support people who struggle to eat, drink or swallow. SLTs work in hospitals, schools, community clinics and specialist units.

You will learn core skills in topics such as linguistics, phonetics, science, psychology, and speech and language pathology. You will also develop your clinical and professional skills through practical placements and modules that cover counselling and professional skills.

Find out more: [BSc \(Hons\) Speech and Language Therapy | Plymouth Marjon University](#)

Job / industry of the Term

Every term we will focus on a job or industry that will help you find more about the huge variety of jobs that are available in the UK.

Carpenter

Joiner, bench joiner

Carpenters and joiners make and install wooden structures, fittings and furniture.

You can get into this job through:

- college course
- an apprenticeship

College course	Apprenticeship
<p>You could take a college course like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 2 or 3 Diploma in Bench Joinery • Level 2 or Level 3 Diploma in Site Carpentry • T Level in On Site Construction 	<p>You could do a:</p> <p>carpentry and joinery intermediate or advanced apprenticeship with a focus on site carpentry or architectural joinery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wood product manufacturing operative intermediate apprenticeship which has a focus on furniture making <p>You'll do on-the-job training and spend time at college or a training provider.</p>
<p>Entry requirements</p> <p>You'll usually need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 or more GCSEs at grades 9 to 3 (A* to D), or equivalent, for a level 2 course • 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, for a level 3 course • 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, including English and maths for a T level 	<p>Entry requirements</p> <p>You'll usually need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • some GCSEs, usually including English and maths, or equivalent, for an intermediate apprenticeship • 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, including English and maths, for an advanced apprenticeship
<p>Registration you'll need a Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) card or equivalent to train and work on a construction site Construction Skills Certification Scheme Official CSCS Website - Home</p>	

Employability Skill of the Term

Most employers look for certain skills and qualities in job candidates in addition to academic qualifications. Known as employability skills, these skills may not be job-specific, but they play an important role in improving your performance and value in the workplace.

Employers have high regard for employability skills because they are much harder to teach than job-specific skills. Some employable qualities come naturally, while others can be acquired through education, work, or daily practice. You may already have some of the key employment skills, but you can work to improve those skills and develop new ones. In each edition of Employability Matters we will explore the employability skills that employers look for.

Organisational Skills

Being organised and methodical means that you will be able to plan your work to meet deadline and targets. You can monitor your progress and ensure that you are on track to meet a deadline. Employers value this skills and seek staff with great organisational or planning skills because they need to feel confident that you will be able to break down the tasks that they give you into manageable chunks. Being able to organise a task is vital at all levels of employment. The better your ability to plan and organise, the greater the chance that you will get the job.

Explore more about organisational skills here:

[What Are Organisational Skills? \(Types and Examples\) | Indeed.com UK](#)