

**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.

**Geography A Level**

Geography explores the fascinating and complex relationships between the human and physical environments that shape our world. Geography will help you understand the physical processes that create our natural environment as well as how human intervention affects the environment. Geography allows you to investigate how people adapt to and mitigate, the impacts their activity has on the environment, and it will help you consider how we can work towards a more sustainable future. Geography is dynamic and varies from place to place. It is one of the most relevant subjects you could choose to study.

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:

**Kitchen Assistant Apprentice MENDIP OUTDOOR PURSUITS LTD**

In this dynamic role you will work with our catering team covering a range of responsibilities. You will manage your time efficiently and will need to have a polite, courteous approach to all communication. You will be required to quickly learn how our business operates and the procedures we follow.

Find out more: [Kitchen Assistant Apprentice - 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, including Labour Market Information.**

**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](#)

## 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:

### Keele University

Located in the Staffordshire countryside, Keele is world-renowned for its breadth of teaching and research that tackles the world's most urgent problems. Keele is ideally situated near to the bustling university town of Newcastle-under-Lyme, and minutes away from the city of Stoke-on-Trent. With so much on offer locally you'll be spoilt for choice.

- **Britain's best university, as ranked by students**
- **Global Sustainability Institution of the Year**
- **96% graduate employability**

[Home - Keele 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) Psychology**

Are you curious to understand why people behave in certain ways? Would you like to take a scientific approach to learning more about your own mind, emotions, and actions? Our British Psychological Society accredited degree enables you to gain broad subject-specific knowledge and advanced skills in communication, research, and critical thinking to pursue a career in both science and the arts.

Find out more: [Psychology - Keele 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.

### **Football Coach**

Football coaches develop the skills and motivation of football players and teams. You'll need some footballing ability so that you can demonstrate skills and techniques when coaching. Getting experience of working with players from a variety of backgrounds and abilities is also useful.

Salaries for coaches in English professional football are much higher than those working in education, the community and for smaller football clubs.

You can find out more about a career in coaching through [The Football Association](#) and [UK Coaching](#).

You can get into this job through:

a university course

a college course

an apprenticeship  
volunteering  
specialist courses run by a professional body

University course	College course	Apprenticeship	Volunteering	Other routes
<p>You could study for a foundation degree or a degree in subjects like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• football coaching and development</li> <li>• coaching science</li> </ul> <p>There are also undergraduate and postgraduate courses that combine football coaching with subjects like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• sports business</li> <li>• management</li> <li>• talent development</li> </ul> <p>It may help you to also complete an online introductory course offered by the Football Association (FA) like:</p> <p><a href="#">EE Playmaker by England Football   The Boot Room (thefa.com)</a></p> <p><a href="#">Introduction to Coaching Football   The Boot Room (thefa.com)</a></p>	<p>You could do a college course, which will help you to get started. Relevant subjects include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Level 2 Award in Coaching Game Based Football</li> <li>• Level 3 Diploma in Sport</li> <li>• Level 3 Diploma in Coaching Sports</li> </ul>	<p>You could do a sport community activator coach intermediate apprenticeship or a sports coach higher apprenticeship.</p> <p>These typically take 18 months to complete as a mix of workplace learning and study.</p>	<p>You could start as a volunteer at your local amateur football club.</p> <p>This will help to build up your experience and could lead into training for professional coaching qualifications.</p>	<p>You can do coaching qualifications offered by <a href="#">The Football Association</a>.</p> <p>Qualifications start at introductory level and go all the way up to the Level 5 UEFA Pro Licence for the professional game.</p> <p>Contact your local <a href="#">County Football Association</a> to get more details about courses.</p>
<p><b>Entry requirements</b></p> <p>You'll usually need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 to 3 A levels, or equivalent, for a degree</li> <li>• a degree in a relevant subject for postgraduate study</li> </ul>	<p><b>Entry requirements</b></p> <p>Entry requirements for these courses vary.</p>	<p><b>Entry requirements</b></p> <p>You'll usually need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• some GCSEs, usually including English and maths, or equivalent, for an intermediate apprenticeship</li> <li>• 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent,</li> </ul>		

		including English and maths, for an advanced apprenticeship		
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## 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.

### **Team working**

Teamwork happens when people work together toward a common goal. That goal could be professional or personal. You can work as a team to play hockey, launch a school project, or planning an event.

You need teamwork skills to be successful at work, regardless of your job title or industry. Working well with colleagues, management and clients will make your work environment enjoyable and help you complete tasks quickly and efficiently. Employers value employees who are team players as they contribute to the achievement of the organisation's goals.

**Explore more about teamwork skills here:**

[What Are Teamwork Skills | Build Skills For Life And Work | Young Professional - Youth Employment UK](#)