

## 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.

#### English Literature A Level

English literature will appeal to those students who have a specific interest in reading and analysing novels, poetry and drama . English literature encourages you to develop an interest and enjoyment in literary studies through reading widely, independently, and critically. It provides you with an introduction to the traditions of English literature and critical theory. It introduces you to a wide range of literature from different cultures and perspectives.

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:

#### Level 3 Diploma in Food and Drink Engineering Apprenticeship YEO VALLEY FARMS (PRODUCTION) LIMITED

We're hiring Engineering Apprentices for our Crewkerne, Blagdon and Cannington sites, starting in September 2022! As an Engineering Apprentice at Yeo Valley, you'll be working as part of a busy, dynamic Engineering team in a distinctive, ambitious, and trusted manufacturing company that is committed to making great British dairy the right way.

Find out more: [Level 3 Diploma in Food and Drink Engineering 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 Year 10 students!

**Don't forget that now is the time to secure your summer work experience placement, paperwork to be returned as a priority!**

#### 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:

### Falmouth University

**Creative. Connected. Courageous.**

With more than 120 years' experience, professional facilities, teaching excellence, peerless connections and a vibrant creative community, we're not afraid to do things differently. At Falmouth University, we're re-thinking the shape of higher education and delivering impactful research and innovation.

[Welcome to Falmouth University | Falmouth 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. The University of Edinburgh Law School has been ranked as 11th in the world for Law by the Times Higher Education World University Rankings. One course that might be of interest is:

### **Fashion Design BA(Hons)**

On this Fashion Design degree, you'll have the opportunity to gain a BA(Hons) degree over three years or the option to study Fashion Design BA(Hons) with Integrated Foundation Year.

Reflecting professional life from day one, this practical fashion degree teaches technical and creative design skills across womenswear and menswear – helping you stand out in the industry as you create original, responsible and inspiring fashion proposals. You'll gain a working knowledge of core fashion design skills such as research, analysis, translation, drawing, pattern cutting and construction, as well as innovation skills like risk-taking and experimenting with new technologies like CLO3D and ultrasonic construction techniques.

Find out more: [Fashion Design BA\(Hons\) | Falmouth 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.

### **Dentist**

Dental surgeon, dental practitioner

Dentists diagnose and treat teeth and mouth problems, and work to prevent dental disease and promote oral health.

You can get into this job through:

a university course

University
You'll need to complete a 5-year degree in dentistry approved by the <a href="#">General Dental Council</a> , followed by 1 to 2 years of postgraduate dental training. You may be able to do a 4-year degree course if you already have a degree in a relevant subject, for example biomedical sciences.

When you apply for a dentistry course, you could be asked to take the University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) or BioMedical Admissions Test (BMAT). They test the skills you'll need on the course, like critical thinking, problem solving, data analysis, communication and scientific knowledge.

You may be able to apply for a 4-year dental degree course if you've already got at least an upper second class degree in biology, chemistry or a biomedical subject.

There's a lot of competition for places at dental schools.

### **Entry requirements**

You'll usually need:

- 3 A levels, or equivalent, including biology and chemistry

## **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.

### **Working Under Pressure / To Deadlines**

Changes and unexpected events, problems or challenges can - and do - often occur, regardless of how well-planned or organised you are. The ability to respond effectively to pressure and stress is therefore extremely important in any line of work. How you respond will vary from person to person; some people thrive on it and perform better when under pressure, others may panic or become ineffective. It is important that you are aware of how you act in such situations and what steps you can take to improve your effectiveness if necessary.

**Explore more about working under pressure here:**

[How to Answer: How do You Work Under Pressure? - Glassdoor Blog](#)