

## 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.

#### Chemistry A Level

Are you interested in what goes on around you? If you are, then chemistry is the A Level for you. Chemistry is responsible for the clothes and makeup you wear, the food you eat, and the stress balls you squeeze. It provides your headache tablets, hair dyes and the materials your home is made from.

Find out more: [Sixth Form Prospectus](#) and [Course Guide](#)

#### 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.

#### Optical Assistant Apprentice

Our apprenticeship gives people of all ages a chance to start an exciting career, while earning a full-time wage. Duties include - booking customers in for eye tests, pre-screening, recommending suitable frames. We are looking for individuals who are enthusiastic about providing great customer service and would like to pursue a career in optics.

Find out more: [Optical Assistant Apprenticeship - Wells Specsavers](#)

#### 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



## 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 Hub (EH) for a quick chat with Mrs Devlin. You can look at prospectuses, work on your UCAS application or research your next steps. The EH is opposite the library in the main school building.

#### Calling all students!

**Don't forget to check out the Employability section of the Kings website, including Labour Market Information.**

#### Useful websites & Information

Careers information and support for students aged 11-19: [Careerpilot](#)

For information about apprenticeships:  
[Find an apprenticeship](#)  
[Amazing Apprenticeships](#)  
[Search for Apprenticeships](#)

For up to date information about universities and applying to HE: [UCAS](#)

A wealth of information on careers including next steps, apprenticeships, and jobs:

[Somerset Your Futures](#)  
[Somerset Careers Hub](#)  
[Choices for 16–19-year-olds](#)  
[Employability Skills Guide](#)  
[Labour Market Information](#)

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:

## **University of Southampton**

As a global top 100 university, our expert academics and wide range of study options will help you achieve your goals. Our world-class teaching and research activities are delivered across five faculties, each of which hosts several subject-specific schools and departments. Our reputation and rankings are based on a range of criteria, including entry standards, student satisfaction, staff and student ratio, expenditure on facilities and resources, research quality, and reputation among employers and academics from other institutions. We are also a founding member of the Russell Group, an organisation of 24 top UK universities committed to maintaining the highest research and teaching standards.

Explore further here: [University of Southampton](#)

## **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.

### **Medicine**

Develop the skills to become a confident medical professional, committed to improving health and wellbeing for all. You will study in a nurturing environment where we take pride in our pastoral and academic student support. Our undergraduate medical students will be exposed to the full range of clinical practice both in the community and in specialised centres. Our courses benefit from being embedded in research excellence in areas as diverse as public health, allergy, cancer, genomics, osteoporosis, and nutrition. Our undergraduate offering includes a widening participation degree, giving you the chance to fulfil your medical potential whatever your background.

Find out more: [Medicine](#)

## **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.

### **Translator**

#### **Day-to-day tasks**

In your day-to-day duties you could:

- reproduce text clearly, accurately and in the style intended by the author
- use specialist translation software
- use specialist knowledge, like technical terminology
- research legal, technical or scientific terms
- consult with experts to make sure the translation is accurate
- keep your language skills up to date and current

#### **Working environment**

You could work in an office, from home or at a client's business.

## Skills and knowledge

You'll need:

- foreign language skills
- knowledge of English language
- to be thorough and pay attention to detail
- customer service skills
- patience and the ability to remain calm in stressful situations
- the ability to work on your own
- to be flexible and open to change
- concentration skills
- to be able to use a computer and the main software packages competently

## Restrictions and Requirements

You must be fluent in one or more languages as well as English, and have knowledge of the culture in the relevant country, usually gained from living and working there.

You may have to pass enhanced background checks if your work is related to national security.

You can get into this job through:

a university course

applying directly

a qualification with a professional body

## University

You'll usually need a degree or postgraduate qualification in translation. Relevant degrees include: languages - courses which specialise in linguistics or translation may give you an advantage but are not essential combined degrees which include a subject like law or science with languages

You could also do a postgraduate course like a master's in translation or translation studies.

## Entry requirements

You'll usually need:

2 to 3 A levels, or equivalent, for a degree

a degree in a relevant subject for postgraduate study

## 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.

## Motivation

Motivational skills encourage employees to boost productivity and achieve successful results. They involve communicating effectively with team members and delegating tasks regularly to show you trust in their capabilities. Learning these skills can help you become a more effective and inspirational leader.

Explore more here: [motivation](#)

## Employer of the Term



Sansum Solutions Group are a multi-award-winning Commercial Cleaning provider covering Southern England. Our vision is simple; to employ great people delivering a fantastic service to our valued customers, with our ethos being that we are only as good as our last clean.

We are looking for the best of the best here at Sansum and people who want to make a difference in their work. We offer regular on the job training, uniform and room for career progression. Some of our Area Managers started as cleaners and learned the job from the ground up. Most of our sites also have Team Leader positions. We now also offer a Caretaking service so we have a wealth of positions available, both part-time and full-time.

**Find out more here:** [Sansum](#)