



Careers Newsletter

July 2026 – Edition 7

Welcome to the July edition of our newsletter,

As the end of another academic year draws to a close, we are sharing some of the careers related events that have taken place this half term as well as useful information about exam results day, events, and resources to help support students and families with career-related decisions and planning.

We would like to thank all of our employers and volunteers for their support with our careers programme this year.

Thank you to the organisations who supported our recent 'Trades day event' for Year 9 & 10 students. the following organisations kindly attended and shared their knowledge and expertise with students. These valuable opportunities are only possible with your support so thank you all - Acorns hospice, Evesham & Vale Growers, Nellies of Perschore, Radis Community Care, Rock Plumbing & Heating, Spirit Hospitality, Taylor Wimpey, Tesco, Vale Landscape Heritage Trust, West Mercia Police, Tilbury Douglas, WCG – Perschore College and our Careers Enterprise Advisor – Graham Avison who gives his time, support and advice tirelessly throughout the year.

If you are an employer and would like to support us with careers related learning please contact us careers@perschore.worcs.sch.uk

More detailed information about Perschore High Schools careers programme can be found on the careers page of the school website or by following the link below

[careers-strategy-2025-26-v1.pdf](#)

Our Careers Team

Mrs Butler – Deputy Headteacher

Mr Pyatt – Careers Leader

Mrs Booton-Gwynne – Head of Careers, Information, Advice & Guidance.

Mrs Starkey – Head of Sixth Form

Miss Waters – Pastoral Manager

Mr Avison – Careers Enterprise Company Enterprise Advisor

SEND There are many different Post 16 learning opportunities available for young people with SEND in Worcestershire. The websites below are a useful starting point to find out more.

[Post 16 learning options for young people with SEND | Worcestershire County Council](#)

[Career guidance for those with SEND, SEMH, and EHCP \(Education and Health Care Plan\) | Worcestershire County Council](#)

[SEND - Amazing Apprenticeships](#) explore the different resources that we have developed, working closely with the SEND Advisory Network.



- **Webinars** – Explore RAF careers & apprenticeships Year 10 & above [RAF World: Launchpad Tickets, Wednesday 22 July • 7:30 PM - 9 PM GMT+1 | Eventbrite](#)
- **Webinar - Apprenticeships – uncovering unexpected apprenticeships**
<https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/events/navigate-uncovering-unexpected-apprenticeships/>
- **Careers Worcs – 16-24 Career Hubs (The Hive & HoW College Redditch) – Summer of Support visit** Careers Worcs 16-24 from June to Sept for a whole Summer of Support. Get 1-to-1 advice on job searches, CVs, apprenticeships or education next steps, applications, wellbeing and getting job-ready. Find your nearest 16-24 careers hub at www.careersworcs.co.uk or free-call **0300 666 3 666**.
- **Pershore High School - A level (Thursday 13th August 2026) & GCSE (Thursday 20th August 2026) results days** – Mrs Booton-Gwynne - Head of Careers IAG, will be available in school or by email on both days if a student would like to discuss their option. Additional information will be included in student results envelope.
- **Heart of Worcestershire College GCSE Advice café 2026** – [GCSE Advice Cafes 2026! | Heart of Worcestershire College](#)

VOLUNTEER



Making a positive contribution to society while building experience, gaining transferable skills and expanding your contacts is a good way to impress potential employers.

Volunteering is a great way to get involved, meet new people, and make a real difference in your community. Whether you've volunteered before or you're completely new to it, giving your time can help you learn new skills, build confidence, and feel more connected to the place you live.

Learn new skills – teamwork, communication and practical workplace skills. Boost your CV with real life experience to help with college, university, apprenticeship/job applications. Expand your networks and explore different areas of work.

You may be able to attend training courses and gain additional qualifications, for example first aid courses. The additional training can help you stand out from the crowd when applying for apprenticeship/jobs or university courses.

[Volunteering | Worcestershire County Council](#) This page shares a range of local volunteering opportunities, both with the council and with community organisations right across Worcestershire.

Many charities and non-profit organisations are in constant need of volunteers. You can also volunteer at animal shelters, community centres, food banks, nursing homes, hospitals. Some

roles may have age restrictions or restrictions due to confidentiality, but many roles will accept young people from 14 years+.

Make your summer count with Acorns children's hospice!



Our summer work experience placements are designed for young people aged 14 and over who want to gain real work experience in a welcoming charity retail environment. Choose the hours and days that work for you throughout the summer holidays and continue volunteering after the summer placement if you would like too.

Acorns also support work experience and opportunities through the Duke of Edinburgh scheme. [Work experience placements - Acorns Children's Hospice](#)

Exploring Options and useful resources



UNIFROG: All Pershore students from Year 8 have a Unifrog account which they can access at home and in school. Year 8 have recently been introduced to their account during PSHE and Citizenship lessons this term! A platform for career exploration and course research. To get students to identify job roles that suit their personal skills and qualities students can complete a personal quiz and save the results in their UNIFROG careers e portfolio.

National Careers Service: Is a government careers website created for anyone of working age it is free to access and allows exploration of sectors, training options and labour market information.

Choice's magazine – Parent & Carers Guide [Choices Magazine - July Parent & Carers Guide - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

One to one Careers meetings can be booked with the school's careers advisor Mrs Booton-Gwynne dbg@pershore.worcs.sch.uk. Students can request a meeting by popping into the careers office (Mon–Wed 8am-4pm).

Lunchtime drop-ins are also available for any student Mon-Weds 1.30pm-2pm

What is a Careers meeting?

The aim of a careers meeting is to help students move forward with their post sixteen or post eighteen plans and ideas. It is not about telling them what to do or doing it for them. Students can have more than one appointment if they feel this will help with choosing the most appropriate training or education route.

The meeting can help them to: -

Explore

I am uncertain who I might become and what's out there for me.

Encounter

I have some ideas but I need to explore more to decide what's right for me

Embark

I understand myself well and have a plan to put into action.

- **Explore** their skills & qualities.
- **Explore** what their options are.
- **Encounter** experiences and information to help with their career ideas and planning.
- **Embark** use the knowledge they have gained to create an action plan.

Year 10 Sixth Form Student for a Day

Our Year 10 students recently took part in our **Sixth Form Student for a Day** experience, giving them a real insight into life as a sixth former. Throughout the day, students attended A Level and Level 3 lessons, met subject teachers, explored our Sixth Form facilities, and spoke with current students about their experiences. The event gave students the opportunity to experience post-16 study first-hand, helping them make informed decisions about their next steps and future subject choices.

Year 10 Friday 3rd July representatives from Hartpury College, Heart of Worcestershire College, HWGTA- apprenticeship training provider. Delivered an assembly and Q&A session to Year 10 students in preparation for post 16 decisions.

Year 10 Meet the Trades

On Tuesday 30th June Year 9 & 10 students had the opportunity to meet with a variety of different employers to find out more about local and national employers and job opportunities and training routes into their business.



'Pershore College, Acorns & Radis Care all had many more options to offer.' Rhianna C



'West Mercia Police were very interesting, and it has different jobs inside the actual police rather than just an officer'. Nicola J



'Tesco offered apprenticeships and a good starter salary' Archie C.



National Careers Challenge Final



A huge congratulations to our Year 7 students: Libby, Edward, Fi, Robyn, Oliver, Zaid & James, who following their win in October 2025, represented Pershore High School in the National Careers Challenge Final at Telford International Centre, organized by: - [Inspirational Learning Group](#).

The brief was to build a sustainable town for the future, using [Air Products](#) gases, and What better way to do it than to jump 30 years to 2056 and build it on Mars!

A huge thank you to [Tilbury Douglas](#) who sponsored the students in order for them to gain experience that they will never forget.

Mr. Pyatt – Careers Leader.

Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter if there are any career related topics you would like us to include in future editions please let us know by email

Careers@pershore.worcs.sch.uk

