



# Welcome!

Welcome to the latest edition of the Roundwood Park School careers newsletter.

If you have any specific careers queries, please do not hesitate to contact the careers team directly:

[careers@roundwoodpark.co.uk](mailto:careers@roundwoodpark.co.uk)

## RPS Careers Insights Events

Over the course of the year, Roundwood Park careers department have hosted a number of virtual career insight evenings for both students and parents. Each event hosts guest speakers talking about their current career and their career journey including advice and suggestions for students interested in pursuing a similar path followed by a Q&A session with each speaker, an excellent opportunity to develop real insight into a potential career.

Previously we have held career insight evenings covering:

- Medicine, Dentistry & Pharmaceutical Science
- Law & Politics
- Business, Accountancy & Finance
- Technology & Engineering

A recording of these evenings is available on request from [careers@roundwoodpark.co.uk](mailto:careers@roundwoodpark.co.uk)

***Our next insight evening will be held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 6.30pm and will focus on careers in Creative Arts and Sports Industries.***

If you would like to sign up to the Creative, Arts & Sports careers insight evening please use the following link and once you have done so a zoom link to access the event will be sent to you, **please ensure to enter your email address accurately-** *the deadline for sign up is Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January.*

Please sign up [here](#)

We are lucky to have a rich diversity of industry experience amongst our RPS parents/carers & alumni. We are always keen to secure more guest speakers to talk about their careers and share their insights with our students. If you would be happy to support our careers programme in this way please contact [careers@roundwoodpark.co.uk](mailto:careers@roundwoodpark.co.uk)



## Professional Placement Week



**Could you or your employer offer  
a work experience placement in 2022?**

Roundwood Park values the importance of work experience in enhancing students' understanding of employability and the world of work. These placements will benefit them in their career planning and applications to the next phase of their academic journey; whether that be an application to university, a sponsored degree or a higher level apprenticeship.

Our motivated and committed year 12 students are currently seeking work experience placements in the week of 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

If you are able to offer any of our students a work experience placement please do get in touch with our careers team

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*Please note that all the links in this newsletter are outside of the control of Roundwood Park School and as such are not endorsed by Roundwood Park School- this newsletter is to provide information and a starting point for your own research.*



Have you ever wondered how your child could start a journey into the games and immersive sector?

[Web Link](#) Date and time: Wed, 15 December 2021 19:30 – 20:30 GMT

**Parent's Night is a free event for parents to find out how their children's interest in gaming can lead to a rewarding career in games.**

[Into Games](#) and [Creative Assembly](#) present Parent's night - an evening of learning to inform parents about what career paths are in the games industry, what their child's journey into their first games role could look like, and an introduction to some free resources to get them started.

Featuring a talk from **Andy Robertson** - Author of Taming Gaming and creator of the Family Video Game Database, and a panel discussion with some of the team at **Creative Assembly**, Parent's Night will help you to:

- Understand how to lead children to healthy gaming, as well as discover what games are helping children to unleash their creativity and build their own virtual experiences
- Find out the truth behind some common games industry myths
- Learn about what resources are available to help kick-start your child's journey into making games

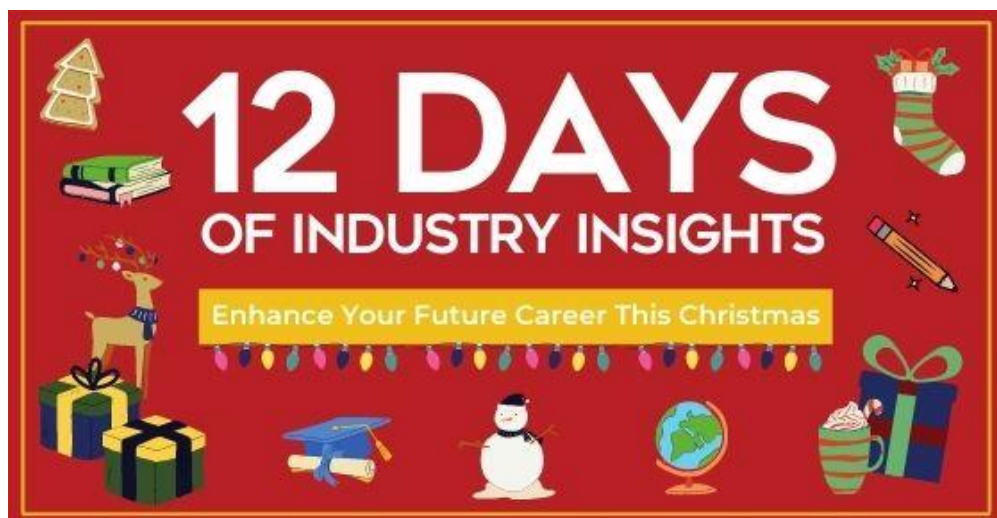
#### **More about Creative Assembly**

[Creative Assembly](#) is one of the largest AAA Studios, with state-of-the-art facilities in the UK and Bulgaria. In 2014 they founded The Legacy Project, their award-winning social responsibility programme.

#### **More about Into Games**

**Into Games** are a non-profit that supports people in finding rewarding careers in the games industry. Find out more about our work at [www.intogames.org](http://www.intogames.org).





We are delighted to offer you a free Christmas gift, which can help guide you on your journey to a successful career. Our elves have been working hard behind the scenes to compile a careers-themed advent calendar: *12 Days of Industry Insights!* **The calendar is packed with helpful hints, worksheets, resources and advice from leading professionals across 12 different industries, tailor-made for students aged 12-18.**

[Access Your Gift Now](#)

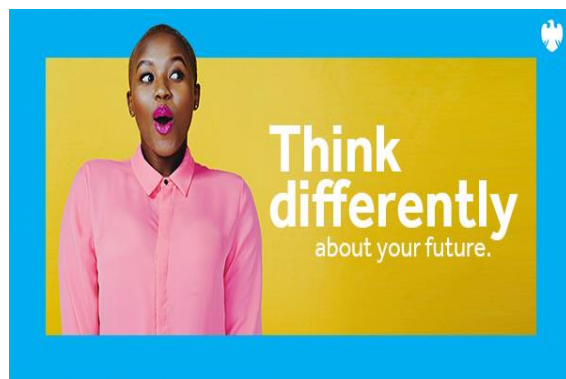


Use code SUMMER15 for 15% off our flagship summer experiences until 31st December. Register now for once-in-a-lifetime career opportunities, exclusive site visits and 1:1 networking time with leading professionals.

Roundwood Park School students can claim a 10% discount [Sign up here](#) using the discount code ROUNDWOOD10

[Eligible students](#) can also access bursary places— for further details on bursaries please contact [careers@roundwoodpark.co.uk](mailto:careers@roundwoodpark.co.uk).





Barclays are hosting a series of virtual career sessions to provide more information about Barclays Apprenticeship opportunities and their diversity networks.

Whether you already know what you would like to do with your career or you are still exploring possible opportunities – please join the event to learn more about Barclays work, culture and the range of possibilities available. You'll have the opportunity to hear from their senior leaders, current apprentices and in-house recruiters. This is a perfect chance to hear first-hand from the people who are helping them change and shape the industry as we know it. It will also help you discover and explore the exciting business areas and opportunities found within Barclays.

[Book now for January](#)

The Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership and [Hertfordshire Opportunities Portal](#) have recorded a series of virtual career webinars covering the following areas with more added regularly:

- I.T
- Accountancy
- Finance & Investments
- Journalism
- Marketing
- Motor Trade
- Nursing
- Nursing associates
- Social care
- Local government & Civil Service
- Veterinary Science
- Architecture
- Policing
- Law
- Fashion
- Teaching
- Psychology
- Medicine
- Becoming an Author
- Business & Engineering
- Physiotherapy & Sports Science
- Life Sciences
- Construction
- Film & Media Production
- Engineering
- Recruitment
- Games Technology
- Sports Coaching & Development



The webinars are available to watch by clicking [here](#).





## The Springpod Career Path Finder

This isn't just a careers quiz that recommends students to specific areas that they're well suited to...

The Path Finder asks students a few short questions based on personality, interests and strengths, before recommending them to a career path

We always want to facilitate relevant, exciting and inspiring experiences for young people. The Springpod Path Finder makes this process interactive and personal.

Each student will be recommended opportunities with top UK employers, as well as relevant degree taster programmes, written blog content and more, all completely free.

**Use the link below to explore the quiz**



[Springpod Career Path Finder](#)



## LinkedIn Masterclass

Almost 1000 young people signed up for our collaborative Masterclass with experts from LinkedIn! The virtual event helped students to understand how to use LinkedIn effectively to kickstart their early career.

The guest speakers covered networking, putting together a professional profile and communicating with both start ups and established corporations + much more!

We've made this Masterclass available on demand in case you or your students would like to watch it.

Access the Masterclass on demand below 

[Watch now](#)

## Latest Virtual Work Experience

We have recently opened our next cohort of Virtual Work Experience programmes which kick off in February. The programmes are now live on our website and students can apply today!

Why not encourage them to get their applications in before the Christmas break so they feel on top of things once the new year rolls around?

**See what's on offer below** 

[All programmes](#)

**A Students Introduction to Springpod**

[Springpod- An Introduction](#)

## A Parent's Guide to University: Student Finance and Support

[Access the guide here](#)



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Put your career  
on the right path  
with the **NHS**

**#OpenADoor**

NHS Health Careers will open a door to one of the 350 different NHS careers every day between now and Christmas day on social media!

See our jobseeker discover a range of NHS roles along a path through snowcapped mountains. Watch as their map guides them and fills up with different career opportunities.

This innovative way of raising awareness of the careers in the NHS will inspire and help your students reach their potential. They'll be surprised by what's available.

[Find out where you can follow our #OpenADoor campaign.](#)

**The London Institute  
of Banking & Finance**

# Summer University

Experience student life in the City of London, learn from industry experts and make valuable connections with academics and peers. Summer University is a three-day programme offering essential insights into the world of banking and finance and the various career paths available to you.

Our next Summer University is:  
23-25 August 2022

Find out more at:  
**[libf.ac.uk/summeruni](https://libf.ac.uk/summeruni)**



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**020 3747 2827**

# Virtual Work Experience

In the absence of on site work experience during the pandemic, most employers have set up virtual work experience programmes. This has created a unique opportunity to gain valuable experience & insights into top companies that students of a wide age range may previously not have accessed.

Below are details of some of the main providers who work with a wealth of employers to offer virtual work experience programmes, however many employers will also organise their own programmes, so be sure to check specific employer websites for these.



InvestIN run immersive career experience programmes for students aged 12 – 18 [Programmes](#) are available in 20 different industries and take place on weekends, led by leading professionals offering unique industry Insights.

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Accessible experience  
from top companies



## Forage

Virtual work experience programs replicate work at top companies, and connect students to the companies themselves.

In only 5-6 hours, learn relevant tools and skills necessary to complete tasks that replicate an employee's work day. No applications or experience required.

Learn highly relevant skills in your own time, at your own pace.

[Explore the options here](#)



## Springpod

**Springpod** is a free careers network for young people looking to discover their future career.

We give you the right tools to connect with leading UK organisations, explore different career paths and build your network even before you leave school.

Gain experience with the top employers in the UK. Free and live programmes in the most sought after industries.

[Springpod Virtual Work Experience Programmes](#)



Speakers for Schools mission is to give all young people access to the top.

By connecting our national network of schools with industry leading employers, we open young people's eyes to the possibilities ahead of them.

Our programme is run through a simple, safe-guarded portal, giving students easy access to opportunities.

**For a full list of placements -**  
[sign in here to search and apply.](#)