



## 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

The RPS careers team would like to say a big thank you to all the speakers, parents and students who joined us recently at our Business, Accountancy & Finance careers insight evening. Should you have been unable to attend this event a recording is available, please email [careers@roundwoodpark.co.uk](mailto:careers@roundwoodpark.co.uk) to request a link to the recording.

In November we are running a Technology & Engineering Careers insight evening and in January we have planned an Arts, Creative & Sports Careers insight evening. Sign up links will be sent out for these after half term.

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

## RPS Reading Week



### Become a published author!

This week is RPS reading week. Please take a look at this first of a kind programme, bringing together thousands of 14 to 19-year-olds, from hundreds of state schools and colleges, across every corner of the UK, to a shared, virtual book club. Young people will have access to an amazing speaker who shares their expertise, their skills, and their story to help them complete their tasks. They will learn how to storyboard, draft and edit their stories, and at the very end, they will become published authors too!

Over five weeks, young people and school facilitators will connect in the cloud from home, or project in a space on school campus, for our weekly event every Wednesday, 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Each week, we will cover three key elements:

#### Share a reading experience



Reading the same book at the same pace, thousands of young people discuss in small breakouts online at home, or with their school group on campus.

#### Hear from award-winning authors



Meeting eminent authors, publishers and writers, gaining valuable insights into careers and a live Q&A to learn more about their stories and their pathways.

#### Skill up and become a published author



Growing in skills and confidence with activities and guidance to write a 1000-word creative piece, published in our first of a kind virtual library.

[National Teen Book Club](https://www.nationalteenbookclub.co.uk/)

## Professional Placement Week

Year 12 will undertake their work experience week in May 2022. If you are a local employer and can offer a placement week to one of our willing year 12 students we'd love to hear from you.



Please get in touch  
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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.*



# LAST CHANCE:

## AUTUMN TERM CAREER EXPERIENCES

Book now to avoid disappointment



This is your final call to register for this term's weekend career experiences for ages 12-18. We have been inundated with demand following our return to in-person programmes at UCL and beyond.

Registration will close next Sunday 24th October for all in-person programmes. Please register immediately so you don't miss out. Links to all 28 careers are set out below, which include medical sciences, tech, media, creatives, engineering, law, politics, sport, business and finance.

There is no application process but places are highly limited. Register now to avoid disappointment. You can find our six most popular careers listed first and all 28 programmes listed further down.

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).



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"INCREDIBLE"  
"ENLIGHTENING"  
"INFORMATIVE"

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"PHENOMENAL  
FROM START TO  
FINISH"

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"INVALUABLE"  
"INSPIRING"  
"EDUCATIONAL"



Our first online lesson for this academic year is 'Tech for the Future', exploring the new technologies we could all be using in the near future.

## TECHWECAN

Split into two parts, episode 1 is out now and covers AI, VR, AR and robotics – with episode 2 coming out next week, looking at future technology in healthcare, communication and transport.



The Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership and [Hertfordshire Opportunities Portal](#) have recorded a series of virtual career conversations/webinars covering the following areas with more being 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](#).





# A Students Introduction to Springpod

Did you know that over 240,000 students are using Springpod to gain insight and develop skills and knowledge in their chosen career?

You can view all of our October Virtual Work Experience [here](#).

Students love our work experience because they can complete work-related tasks and activities with top employers at a time that suits them.

[Springpod- An Introduction](#)



**Springpod**

## Top tips to take control of your future

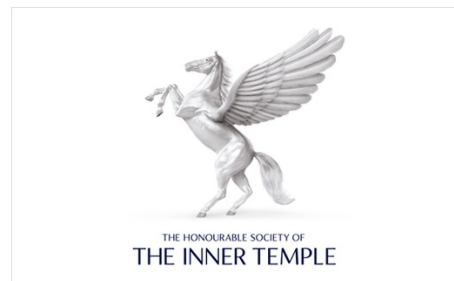
- 1. Create your Springpod Account**  
Go to [springpod.com](https://springpod.com) and Get Started.
- 2. Build your Profile**  
This is how you will get tailored recommendations from universities, employers and apprenticeship providers.
- 3. Explore**  
Browse upcoming Virtual Work Experience programmes. There is something to match most career interests. If you don't know what you want to do, try a few!
- 4. Build your Experience**  
Apply for Virtual Work Experience to build your CV and stand out from the crowd.
- 5. Research University Degrees**  
Enrol onto a university experience for subject insight before you apply. Gain unique experience to add to your personal statement.
- 6. Advice**  
Be inspired by careers stories through live talks with professionals – also available to watch on demand. Read our careers advice blogs.
- 7. Record, Reflect and Talk**  
Make a note of what you have learnt, skills you have gained and use this to plan your next steps. Talk about your experience with friends, family, teachers and careers advisers.
- 8. Plan**  
Explore and apply for live apprenticeship opportunities or use your Springpod experience to make a strong application to jobs, college or university.

Search and Apply Now!  
[springpod.com](https://springpod.com)



**Are you interested in a career in law and becoming a barrister?**

**Then sign up for one of Inner Temple's free events this term. The events are a mix of virtual and in person and as each event will have a different panel, you are welcome to book and attend multiple dates!**



### **Insight Events: Becoming a Barrister**

We are delighted to host several Insight Events this term, offering a brilliant opportunity to hear from practising barristers and judges about their journey to the Bar. Join these Q&A panel events to ask questions and learn more about your prospective career. Open to Years 12 and 13.

The events are free to attend and the Joint Inns of Court and Insight Online will be held virtually via zoom. Insight Liverpool, Birmingham and Brighton will be held in person. Further information and registration for these events can be found here: <https://www.innertemple.org.uk/becoming-a-barrister/how-to-get-involved/insight-events/>

Alternatively you can use the below links to sign up for each event. We have 5 upcoming Insight Online events this term:

Joint Inns of Court Event - 19 October, 6-8pm – Sign up

here: <https://innertemple.typeform.com/to/jGwVwsnh>

Insight Online - 21 October, 6-8pm – Sign up

here: <https://innertemple.typeform.com/to/S2CfeDPV>

Insight Liverpool - 26 October, 6-8.30pm – Sign up

here: <https://innertemple.typeform.com/to/Z0gMVid3>

Insight Birmingham - 2 November, 6-8.30pm – Sign up

here: <https://innertemple.typeform.com/to/gfkan0GO>

Insight Brighton - 9 November, 6-8.30pm - Sign up

here: <https://innertemple.typeform.com/to/qo5BiczE>

### **Discovery Day for Schools Online – Friday 29 Oct, 4-7pm**

Join us for our upcoming online Discovery Day! The Inner Temple are pleased to host another Discovery Day for Schools - taking place online on Friday 29 October 4-7pm (virtual doors open 3.45pm)

The event includes:

- Q&A panel discussion on progression to and life at the Bar
- Interactive workshop looking at a variety of legal exercises to give you an insight into being a barrister

It is a brilliant opportunity to learn from practitioners in the industry, and ask the burning questions you have on the realities of being a barrister. The event is free to attend and it will be held online via Zoom.

Sign up here: <https://innertemple.typeform.com/to/F9DtoP57>

If you have any queries about any of these events, please email us at [outreach@innertemple.org.uk](mailto:outreach@innertemple.org.uk)

## Hertfordshire Mental Health and Learning Disability NHS Trust Virtual Career Event



**Are you  
Year 12 – Year 13  
School Leaver  
Then this event is  
for you**

**Hertfordshire Partnership University NHS  
Foundation Trust will be hosting a 2 day  
career event on 27 and 28 October  
between 10:00–13:45 on MS Teams**

**You will get to know about Our NHS Trust, Our Values, Our Services.**

You will hear first-hand on:

- What is Learning Disability Nursing and Mental Health Nursing
- What are CAMHS and Older persons services
- What are some of the roles in supporting people with a learning disability and mental health
- We will also offer you the opportunity to speak with our professionals about their roles.

If you are 18 years and over, you can work with us and we'll tell you how you can.  
Please email: [hpft.healthandcareacademy@nhs.net](mailto:hpft.healthandcareacademy@nhs.net) to book your place







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.](#)**