

WARBLINGTON SCHOOL CAREERS NEWSLETTER

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RECENT TRIPS:

- Chichester College Taster Day **30th June 2026**
- City of Portsmouth College (COPC) Taster Day **1st July 2026**
- South Hampshire College Group (SHCG) Taster Day **7th July 2026**
- Goodwood Festival of Speed STEM Programme event – giving some of our Year 9 students the opportunity to discover where speed meets science. Read more on page 3!



FUTURE EVENTS

Career Fair, February 2027!

Various colleges and employers are being invited to the school to attend for our students to inquire about future prospects. More info to come!

Organisation is underway for inviting more colleges into school to attend **Parent Information Evenings** for the next academic year as well as various other opportunities. Information to follow.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE STORIES

MAY 2026

Finding work experience placements for all students has been very difficult, this is also something that other schools have found. However, I am delighted to say that on the whole, work experience has been a success this year, with around 80% of our year 10 students being able to find a placement and successfully using the Unifrog online placements tool to record their information.

We have enjoyed reading some of the employer comments, which I am sharing below:

The Coffee Lounge

The manager was really impressed with our placement student, and wants to keep her. She has been developing skills for a career in the travel industry.

Specsavers in Farlington

Brilliant feedback from the employer – our placement student was very hands on, used her initiative. If our placement student was 16, she would be offered a job. Unlike some other work experience students, she really wants to be involved.

Chichester Bike Projects

Our placement student has made a great impression. He was based in the shop and has been excellent. He has been offered a job, when he is 16.

Superdrug - Cosham

Our placement student is a credit to the school, and was very punctual, helpful, and proactive.

Mr Gellett and I were also delighted in receiving positive comments from staff regarding students who have completed their placements around the school.

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING – YEAR 9

We were pleased to host some local colleges again for our Year 9 Options Evening. A career advisor was also available to answer any questions that students and parent/guardians had throughout the evening.

There has also been a Chichester College presentation assembly to our Year 10 cohort.

WORK EXPERIENCE WILL BE 17TH MAY UNTIL 28TH MAY 2027.



CURRENT YEAR 9 STUDENTS

A polite reminder: There are still some year nine students who have not logged into their Unifrog accounts and completed their 101 course. Please can you check with your child and encourage them to do so, letters were sent out recently about this. They will be using Unifrog next year to help them with career information and also adding their work experience placements. Any questions, please ask them to come and see me.

WORK EXPERIENCE 2027

Please can you begin talking to current Year 9 children to encourage them to start looking and perhaps asking about doing their work experience with an employer. They could start asking friends/relatives to see if they know anyone that would be interested in hosting our students. There will be an assembly with more information about this in the Autumn term.

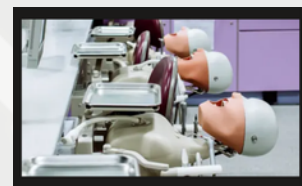
CAREER TRIPS/EVENTS:

In March we welcomed two Dental Nurses to talk to some of our 9/10 students about:

Certificate in Higher Education Level 4 Dental Nursing which is for 1 year

BSc (Hons) Dental Hygiene & Therapy 3 years

BSc (Hons) Dental Hygiene for 3 years.



I am hoping to take a group of students, who are interested in pursuing a dental nursing career, to the Portsmouth University next year to give them a tour of their facilities and let them do some practical activities on their equipment (TBC).

Colleagues from Havant and South Downs College (HSDC) visited school to interview our second group of Year 11 students, who had applied to either Havant or South Downs campus. We received positive feedback from the visitors again because of how prepared the students were and how well the day was organised.

In April Mr Gellett and myself took a group of Year 10 students to visit a new Vivid Housing development, which is in collaboration with Jackson Rowe, in Coldharbour Farm Road, Emsworth.



This development is constructing 44 new dwellings, all designed for modern living, and will include an open space for the community to come together and thrive. As part of this visit, pupils will meet the team responsible for delivering this project, including the Site Manager, to hear about the different opportunities in construction and what a 'day in the life' actually looks like.



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Goodwood Festival of Speed

On Thursday 9th July myself and Mr Clinton had the pleasure of taking some year 9 students to this year's Festival of Speed STEM Day. This was a chance for students to discover where speed meets science – Goodwood's STEM Programme inspires the next generation of innovators by fusing the thrill of racing with hands-on learning. From cars launching off the start line to robotics, to simulator challenges, they immerse young minds in the real-world applications of science, technology, engineering and maths to accelerate curiosity into career ambition. Some of the areas that we looked at during the STEM Trail:

- Kick-off your trail by seeing cars blast off the start line ready for the infamous Goodwood Hillclimb.
- Get up close and personal with the most exciting and powerful road cars in the world, lined up side-by-side.
- Explore Cathedral and Brooklands paddocks for a star-spangled Americana Celebration presented by Bank of America featuring IndyCar, NASCAR, Can-Am and Trans-Am, IMSA and Formula 1.
- Discover the finest concours d'elegance in the world, where the most beautiful cars are presented in exceptional condition.
- There will always be plenty of unmissable moments in the shadow of the iconic sculpture, this year celebrating Singer, and on the balcony of Goodwood House.
- The latest vehicles from the automotive world - see what the future of the motoring industry has in store.
- Presented by Randox. Explore 'Technology for a Better World' with interactive experiences from pioneering scientists and innovators, including robotics and virtual reality.
- Step into the world of one of the most iconic names. Visit McLaren House across the weekend to meet their STEM Ambassadors, who will take you on a journey through McLaren's incredible history.



One of our student's commented that:

'Our trip to Goodwood was an unforgettable experience filled with excitement from start to finish. It was a great opportunity to see some of the best racing cars up close. A highlight for me was seeing Kimi Antonelli in person and having the experience of meeting other female drivers.'

Kimi Antonelli is a 19-year-old Italian Formula One driver for Mercedes, currently leading the 2026 World Drivers' Championship.



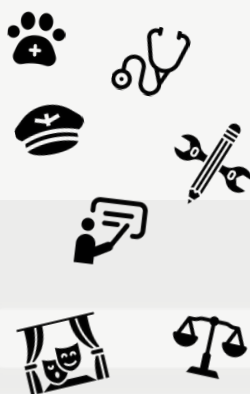
Top 10 jobs teens want in 2026 - taken from the following survey:

Bitesize Careers Survey 2026

For the third consecutive year, almost one in 10 teenagers chose doctor as their preferred profession.

Rank Careers

- 1 Doctor
- 2 Engineer
- 3 Teacher
- 4 Lawyer
- 5 Nurse
- 6 Footballer
- 7 Performer/Arts (New)
- 8 Vet
- 9 Police Officer
- 10 Pilot



The survey of more than 4,500 13-16-year-olds from across the UK, also saw teenagers rank the NHS as the organisation they most like to work for, ahead of Google, Apple and NASA. Gaming companies including EA, Sony and Roblox also featured frequently on the list.

More than half of those surveyed (57%) said they'd prefer to go to university after finishing school, a 10% increase since last year, with 19% saying an apprenticeship would be their preferred route. Eighty-seven percent of teens surveyed said that they were confident that they could get their desired job, a 2% increase on last year.

10 amazing careers in healthcare using AI and Technology:

To find out more please click on the following link:
10 amazing careers in healthcare using AI & Technology - BBC Bitesize

ADVICE ON CAREERS:

Reminder: Year 9 and Year 10 students can use their Unifrog accounts to access a plethora of information on careers and complete quizzes. We hope to offer this out to other year groups during the Autumn term.

If any students would like more advice about careers they can follow this link for helpful advice: [Careers - BBC Bitesize](#)

Are you considering following an apprenticeship pathway but undecided? This Podcast may be of interest: [Careers - BBC Bitesize](#)

Please look at our careers page on the Warblington Website for more information. For more careers advice/support please contact us via:

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