

1. News

Class of 92 university announces first principal

University Academy 92 (UA92) has announced that Professor Craig Gaskell will be taking up the role of Principal and chief executive from September. Professor Gaskell is joining from Coventry University where he was Professor of Higher Education Enterprise and founding Provost of CU Scarborough, Coventry's thriving new campus on the Yorkshire Coast.

UA92 is the brainchild of the Class of '92 team mates Gary Neville, Phil Neville, Ryan Giggs, Paul Scholes, and Nicky Butt and has been developed with Lancaster University. It will take its first cohort of students in September 2019. The first Open Day at UA92 will take place on 21st July 2018 at Lancashire County Cricket Club.

A supplier is being sought for the first ever **National Centre of Computing Education**, which – along with 40 school-led Computing Hubs – will improve teaching of the computing curriculum. It is supported by a new programme that will train up to 8,000 computing teachers on the latest digital skills – enough for one for every secondary school in England. The first training is due to be available in the 2018/19 academic year

The Centre is part of an £84m commitment made in the Autumn Budget.

The Institute of Physics has published a new report on girls' uptake of physics "A" level. http://www.iop.org/publications/iop/2018/file_71495.pdf

- Girls perform as well as boys in GCSE physics, but only 1.9% choose the A-level, compared to 6.5% of boys. In maths, biology and chemistry A levels, the differences between boys and girls are smaller: biology 9.5% girls/5.6% boys; chemistry 5.6%/6%; maths 8%/12.3%.
- Despite an overall small increase in A-level physics entries, the proportion of girls taking physics A-level has remained around 20% for the past three decades.

Youth volunteering charity [vInspired](#) is to run a new UK-wide reward card scheme for 14–30 year-olds.

- The Inspired card will offer a range of discounts for shops, events, attractions, work experience and skill-building classes; points will be earned for volunteering and taking part in social action initiatives. The

scheme is similar to the 2007 government-backed Youth Opportunity Card, which was abandoned due to technological difficulties.

- The card is part of a newly created programme that digitally matches young people to volunteering opportunities that best suit their interests and location and the skills they are hoping to develop.

<http://card.vinspired.com/>

T-Levels announcement: The DfE have recently announced the first 52 colleges/providers who will deliver the T-Levels technical qualification. T-Levels are intended as vocational alternatives to A Levels - and are being introduced to simplify the process of vocational training in England. A key element of T-Levels is to prepare young people for employment through extended work placements across a range of industries.

Education Select Committee questions CEC

Former Skills Minister, Robert Halfon and other committee members questioned the Careers Enterprise [Company raised serious concerns](#) about the impact and purpose of the CEC and its emphasis on inputs, particularly questioning its significant investment in research and staff salaries, when government money should be directed to front line services. Also see

<https://www.tes.com/news/careers-and-enterprise-company-under-fire-mps>

2. Apprenticeships

Bury Council Apprenticeships

Bury Council has advertised 28 Apprenticeship vacancies including two Higher Apprenticeships in Data Analysis and Human Resources. The other vacancies cover a wide range of occupations including customer service, leisure, street lighting electrician, highways maintenance and building control. Most roles start at £14,238pa and the closing date for applications is 15 July; the Apprenticeships start on 24 September. The vacancies can be found at:

<https://www.greater.jobs/>

Not Going to Uni

Another source of vacancies other than Higher Education is:

<https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/>

The site also has case studies, articles on new careers and opportunities, and an advice centre.

Also updated is the Parent's Guide to Apprenticeships:



Parent-Guide-Apprenticeships.pdf

Apprenticeships & Skills Minister Anne Milton has announced that **16–24 year-old care leavers** wanting to take up an apprenticeship will get a one-off **£1,000 bursary payment** from August 2018.

Apprenticeships within GM Police: The closing date for the Business Administration and Customer Service apprentice vacancies has been extended until **midnight on Sunday, 17th June**. Applications are made online – [click here](#).

Any queries can be directed to the Apprenticeship Coordination Team at GMP: apprentice@gmp.police.uk / Damar Training: policeapprenticeships@damartraining.com or 0161 480 8171.

3. Events

Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust (MFT) is holding its popular annual health event for young people on:

Tuesday 26th June 2018, from 10.00am to 3.00pm in the Nowgen Centre, 29 Grafton Street, Manchester, M13 9WU

The event will be hosted by the Trust's Group Chairman, Kathy Cowell OBE DL and the Trust are planning to include information about the many different careers in the NHS, opportunities for young people to get involved in employment and volunteering at MFT plus practical advice on health and wellbeing.

Also, if there are any particular health services/topics your students would be interested in, please let the team know (via e-mail donna.beddows@mft.nhs.uk or telephone 0161 276 8661) and they will do their best to include these in the planning for the event.

Free conference for teachers and adviser supporting 6th/college learners progressing into Higher Education.

University of Greenwich (Greenwich Campus), on Friday 29 June, 10:00 – 15:15
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/teachers-and-advisers-conference-greenwich-campus-tickets-41700993795>

The Conference aims to provide free professional development for teachers and advisers supporting 6th form/college learners progressing into higher education. Focusing on the rapidly changing education and careers landscape, the event will be a great opportunity to receive up-to-date information and inspiration directly from sector leaders and practitioners and participate in stimulating workshops.

a.m. 'University Applicants Attitudes and Perceptions', Nick Hillman - Higher Education Policy Institute

p.m. 'Access, Success, and Progression', Chris Millward - Office for Students Workshops (choice of two)

1. Introduction to Creative Careers Coaching
2. Universities as a Resource: Response to the New Careers Strategy
3. The Future of Women in STEM
4. UCAS References: Do They Matter?



CMC season is here and the Ideas Foundations are hosting a **Creative Media Camp with BBC in Manchester!**

The 5-day project allow students to work on a REAL business problem from a brand, alongside tutors and mentors from creative agencies. They'll be able to create ideas, design and produce pieces of work that they'll then pitch back to the brand. It all replicates what life is like for people who work within the creative industry especially Advertising and Marketing.

The 5-day project will be hosted at Manchester Metropolitan University from the 23rd-27th July.

Students can sign up by using the link > www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CMC-BBC

Also attached is a digital poster for the project. You can download it, print it off and pass it on to your students. Poster > [click here.](#)

Bury Careers Event 2018

Arrangements are well under way for the next Bury Careers Event on Wednesday 26 September with 40 exhibitors booked on so far. Invitations will be posted out to the parents/carers of all Year 10 & 11 pupils in Bury at the beginning of September.

Myerscough College Advice mornings

Myerscough College's June Advice mornings are fast approaching and you can just turn up on the day. The date and times are:

Witton Park Campus Advice morning: Saturday 23rd June 10:00am – 12.30pm
Bilsborrow, Preston Campus Advice morning: Saturday 23rd June 9.45am – 12:30pm

For more details check the college website: <http://www.myerscough.ac.uk>

4. Higher Education

The Guardian has published its 2019 University League Tables

<https://www.theguardian.com/education/ng-interactive/2018/may/29/university-league-tables-2019>

- Institutions are given scores for: student satisfaction with their course, teaching and feedback; student to staff ratio and spend per student; average entry tariff; value added; continuation; career after 6 months;
- Cambridge, Oxford, St Andrews, Loughborough and Durham occupy the top five places, followed by Bath, Imperial College, Warwick, Lancaster and Leeds.
- However, the top institutions in terms of value added – which compares degree results to entry qualifications, and is a measure of effective teaching – are UEA, Bournemouth, St Andrews, Surrey, Nottingham, Leeds Trinity, Goldsmiths, UCL, Coventry and Essex.

5. LMI

The Edge Foundation has published the first in a series of **Skills Shortage Bulletins**, designed to help fill the gap left by the demise of the UK Commission on Employment & Skills (UKCES).

- The bulletin has been supported by a Skills Shortage Analysis Group bringing together the key organisations and academics with an interest to share plans, research data and messages.
- It collates key data from: the DfE, British Chambers of Commerce, CBI/Pearson, Open University and the construction sector; this first edition also has a specific focus on Engineering.
- The second bulletin will cover the digital sector, and the third will look at creative industries.

http://www.edge.co.uk/sites/default/files/documents/final_skills_shortage_bulletin_web_2.pdf



Tuesday 19th June Foster Carers Pathways - contact Vilma O'Shea for further information



Wednesday 26th September: Bury Careers Event 2018 will be at the Elizabethan Suite at Bury Town Hall.

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