



The Hollyfield School e-bulletin
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“Pupils’ behaviour is exemplary, and they demonstrate exceptional attitudes to learning” Ofsted 2025

Head’s line...

Dear Hollyfield Community

I hope you are all enjoying the warm weather and lighter evenings. We have had another busy week in school and it certainly feels like we're fitting a lot into this short half term.

Well done and congratulations to our key stage three and four drama students who have been rehearsing and performing their production: Britney's Lock. I know many staff are looking forward to seeing the performance and thanks to all the parents who have and will come along to watch, I am sure it will be wonderful. Well done to our Y11 food students who have been sitting their practical exam this week.

Our Y12 students visited Surrey Sports Park to meet with different universities and continue with the process of considering what they will study at post-18. It is an exciting time and I know Y12 and their parents will be talking through their options and preparing for next year's applications.

This week we have been celebrating national careers week with assemblies linked to careers taking place all week. Next week is national science week, Y7 students have visited the science show at Surbiton High School and all students will have science week assemblies. However, the real treat has been the arrival of the Hollyfield School Chicks. As parents will be aware, they hatched last week and we have seven surviving chicks who are all healthy, happy (and very loud!). Students have been enjoying meeting them and learning about them in their science lessons.

Year 7 Parents' Evening is on Thursday 19 March. Once again, this will be an in-person event. We strongly encourage all parents and students to come along to the evening and bookings can now be made. To book your appointment, please visit <https://thehollyfieldschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/>, further information is available in the parentmail sent on Monday to all Year 7 parents. Year 8 parents' evening is on 23 April and will be an online event with Year 10 parents' evening (in person) on 7 May. Further details will be sent nearer the time.

Looking ahead, towards the end of term, we have some key, whole school events: Activities Day on Wednesday 18 March and Culture Day on 26 March, these prove to be very popular events for everyone. Just a reminder that Year 11 parents will have received information about our Record for Achievement Ceremony on 22 May, this is a wonderful event where we celebrate the achievements of our Year 11 students and their time with us. Please do not forget to book your tickets – further information can be found [here](#).

The Easter holidays are approaching so it is timely for me to remind parents that, as always, the last day of term (27 March) is a non-uniform day and we will have an early closure for students. The students will be asked to donate £1 to charity on this day. We return to school on Monday 13 April. As always, this will be a late start for students. Students should arrive to school at 10:30am where they will go to registration and lessons will begin with period 3 at 10:55am.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend when you get there.

Regards.

Amy Jackson, Headteacher



Term Dates

Autumn Term 2025
 1 September to 19 December
 (Inset Day – 1-2 Sept, 6-7 Nov & 5 Dec)

Half Term
 27 October - 7 November

Christmas Holiday
 22 December - 2 January 2026

Spring Term 2026
 5 January – 27 March
 (Inset Day – 23 Feb)

Half Term
 16-20 February (see above)

Easter Holiday
 30 March – 10 April (Bank Hol 3 & 5 Apr)

Summer Term 2026
 13 April – 17 July (Bank Hol 4 & 25 May)

Half Term
 25 - 29 May

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- 9/3- Fulham Memories Session
- 11/3–Y8 Strand Hotel Workplace Visit (9.30am-3pm)
- 13/3 – Y7-9 Rpt emailed Home
- 16/3–Y13 Rpt emailed home
- 18/3 – Activity Day
- 19/3–BTEC Level 3 Results published
- 19/3–Y7 Parent Consultation evening-4.00pm
- 20/3– Y11 Rpt emailed home
- 23/3-17/4–Y13 Final Trial Exams

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“Pupils achieve very well in their examinations. This is because the school delivers an ambitious and balanced curriculum, underpinned by the highest expectations for all pupils. This includes the popular and successful sixth form“ Ofsted 2025

OTHER NOTICES

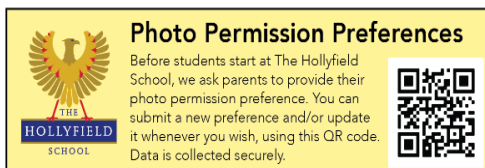
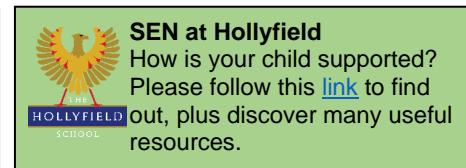


Photo Permission Preferences
Before students start at The Hollyfield School, we ask parents to provide their photo permission preference. You can submit a new preference and/or update it whenever you wish, using this QR code. Data is collected securely.



Free School Meals
Is your child eligible for Free School Meals?
A small percentage of eligible students do not claim them. We email parents frequently to let them know. During the term, eligible students can claim a nutritious hot meal, drink or delicious dessert every day. If they are entitled, make sure your child is claiming theirs. If you need further assistance, please contact us.



SEN at Hollyfield
How is your child supported? Please follow this [link](#) to find out, plus discover many useful resources.

Reporting your child's absence

When reporting your child's absence from school on the dedicated absence line - 0208 339 4518 preferably before 8.30am on the morning of your child's absence from school. Please leave their name, spelling out any unusual names, year group and the reason for their absence and your details. Alternatively, you can email the school attendance@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk.

Valuables in school

The school policy and guidance with regard to pupil possessions is clear that they are brought into school at their own risk. The Hollyfield School does not accept liability for any items that may be lost, damaged or stolen. While theft is taken extremely seriously and thoroughly investigated, the school is not in a position to cover the cost of any item stolen.

Of course, with respect to the last point, steps and measures are put in place to mitigate against such circumstances, especially during PE and Games lessons, where pupils' items are locked in the changing rooms. While this is standard procedure, there may be some extenuating circumstances where this cannot always be guaranteed. Therefore, I would urge your son/daughter not to bring expensive items into school.

Medical Condition(s) and Individual Healthcare Plans

Can we please request that you complete the following [medical information collection form](#) if your child has any medical conditions, no matter how small. If your child has a new diagnosis we ask you to also complete this form even if you have already done so for a different medical condition to ensure we have the most up-to-date information. Once complete, this will form part of your child's Individual Healthcare Plan which will be sent to you for approval, the communication will come from noreply@medicaltracker.co.uk. Please allow emails from this address.

Changed your address/email/phone number????

If you have changed your contact details, please email the school office on office@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk stating your child's name and form and the change of details. It is important to keep these details up to date in case of an emergency. Don't forget to update your Parentmail account with your new details.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle with them to school every day, it is even more important during hot weather. Our water fountains can be used to refill bottles as necessary during break and lunch, it is not possible to drink from the fountains direct and we do not have bottles or cups to give out to students. Alternatively, bottles of water can be purchased (and refilled) in the cafeteria, please ensure your Parentmail account has enough funds to enable this.

Surbiton Hill Road Entrance for cars

If you drive/collect students to or from school the visitor's car park/Surbiton Hill Road entrance **should not be used to drop off students**. This causes congestion for people entering the site and staff access, cars travelling on Surbiton Hill Road and is potentially dangerous for pedestrians.

Dinner Money Top Up

Please ensure funds are available 24 hours before they are required when topping up your child's dinner money on Parentmail. If you add funds on the day they are to be used we will not be able to see the credit instantly until the system has processed it, therefore creating a delay in your child buying food at the canteen.

Contribution to the School Fund

Standing Order Contributions to School Fund

If you already donate to the school by standing order, please consider setting up a direct debit donation on our new platform Enthuse and cancelling your current standing order with your bank. This will maximise your donation as gift aid will be claimed automatically, and reduces administration time for the school. Links to the Enthuse donation platform for both Main School and 6th form can be found [here](#).

All contributions received are very much appreciated and directly benefit all students within the school. We value each and every pound donated to provide a better education experience for our students.

If you would like to help contribute to the school fund to provide additional facilities to the school and students, please click [here](#) for more information. We acknowledge that not all of our parents can make a commitment on a monthly basis. Having listened to those parents we also understand that some would like to make a contribution whenever they can. A donation payment link is available in your ParentMail account. We are grateful for any contribution you can make, regardless of the amount. Every penny will be spent improving students' experiences. Like the monthly contributions, your donation will go into the school fund. It will be used in accordance with the guidance given to schools regarding parental contributions.

Open Door

Ms Jackson holds Parent Clinics on Thursday afternoon during term time. These are from 3.00pm-4.30pm for parents/carers to speak directly to her regarding any unresolved concerns/ suggestions. Please contact Louise Sutton to arrange an appointment on 0208 339 4500 or email lsutton@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk.

SAFE HANDS/PASTORAL SUPPORT

Once again, for your information, the key contacts are:

School - Get in touch with the Designated Safeguarding Team

Ms Patel: spatel@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk

Mr Buckman: nbuckman@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk

Single Point of Access 020 8547 5008.

SCHOOL HEALTH DROP- IN

WHEN: Tuesday Lunch time 11.40 -1.10PM
WHERE: Room A12 (Top floor of ALBURY)

Come along for a **CONFIDENTIAL** chat with your School Health Practitioner about anything that is worrying you....




The Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

Parent Webinars on:

- > Worries and anxiety
- > Screen time and social media
- > Understanding changes in the adolescent brain
- > Sleep Difficulties
- > Friendship difficulties and bullying
- > Self-harm and suicidal thoughts
- > Low mood and depressive feelings

[Click here to book](#)



[Click here to view workshops and book](#)

Balancing the Energy Books

There is no question that there are greater demands placed on students within mainstream secondary schools compared to primary. Lesson pace, sensory overload, academic pressure, personal accountability and social masking can take a heavy toll on many young people with additional needs causing them to become exhausted and unable to contribute to activities or basic activities at home.

Spoon Theory, created by Christine Miserandino, aims to contextualise our personal energy usage that we need to get through each day. What may take one 'spoon of energy' for a neurotypical individual, such as taking public transport or getting ready in the morning, may take a neurodiverse person two or three 'spoons' leading to a deficit at the end of the day.

Spoon Theory aims to identify the major energy draining activities but most importantly, the activities that can be implemented to refill their reserve throughout the day, leading to improved energy management and resilience.

[Link](#) to find out more.



HOLLYFIELD PTA NEWS

Dear Parents & Carers

We have kicked off our planning for Hollyfest 2026. We reviewed all the feedback from last year and have a solid foundation for organising the event in July.

Over the coming weeks we'll be spotlighting the key volunteer roles needed to support the event.

First up is a role that requires support early in the planning and so we're keen to find someone as soon as possible. If you have a friend (or friends) you want to share a role with, that's fine too.

Sponsorship

Distribution of activity:

From: March-July

Pre-event: 90%

On the day: 5%

Post event: 5%

Needed at regular meetings? Some

The Sponsorship lead will coordinate efforts to secure sponsorship and advertising for Hollyfest. This includes reaching out to local businesses, managing sponsor relationships, and ensuring they receive appropriate recognition in the programme and on social media. This role needs to coordinate with the Raffle Manager.

If you're interested or would like to know more, email us at ptahollyfield@gmail.com. If you'd like to read about the other key roles, take a look [here](#).

Many thanks

Hannah & Bryn, co-chairs of The Hollyfield School PTA

One School. One community. One amazing day.

✿ Supporting Our School Through Sherpa Tutors ✿

[Please note: Hollyfield School is not affiliated to and does not endorse any specific tutor service, nor can we quality assure their services.]

We're pleased to share that our PTA has partnered with [Sherpa Tutors](#) as part of their fundraising programme, giving families a simple way to support our school.

When parents register using our referral link, the PTA earns **£5 for every lesson completed** by a student, up to **£100 per family**. These funds are donated directly to the PTA and help support activities, resources, and events for our children.

By taking part, families can benefit from additional learning support while helping to raise valuable funds for our school community.

To join and support the PTA, please [sign up here](#). Thank you for your continued support.

✦ Volunteer Opportunity: Social Media Whizz Wanted! ✦

Hollyfield's PTA is on the lookout for a Social Media Whizz to help us spread the word about our events, fundraising and school community.

If you have a little time to spare and knowledge of all (or even some!) things social media, we'd absolutely love to hear from you. Whether you enjoy creating posts, sharing updates, or just keeping things ticking along, every bit of help makes a big difference.



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@TheHollyfieldSchoolPTA



ptahollyfield@gmail.com



www.hollyfieldpta.org

📅 What you'll do:

- Help manage and update our social media
- Share news, events and PTA activities
- Support our lovely school community

♥ What you'll get:

- A flexible, volunteer role
- A chance to support the school and make an impact
- Lots of appreciation from the PTA team!

Interested or want to know more? Please get in touch — we'd love to welcome you to the team! You can drop us an email at ptahollyfield@gmail.com.

★ Join the PTA ★

We are a group of parent and carer volunteers creating fun and fundraising events that directly benefit the school. Help shape how funds are spent and make a real difference to our children's experience.

Our meetings usually take place on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Our next general PTA meeting will be Tuesday 17th March.

Get Involved:

- Volunteer your time 🕒 at events and stalls.
- Attend PTA events 🎉 — fun and fundraising combined!
- Come to monthly meetings 📅 (usually the 3rd Tuesday).
- Stay updated via:



Get Regular Updates [Join the WhatsApp Community](#) for the PTA



Follow us on Instagram [@hollyfield_pta](#) for the latest news



Drop us an email ptahollyfield@gmail.com to find out more

📅 Coming soon..... 📅

Quiz Night for Adults only - date TBC

After the success of our Year 7 Quiz in November we will be holding an adults only quiz night later this term.

April - We are delighted to share that our school has secured a place in next year's London Marathon! The place has been offered to our staff team and one brave and dedicated runner will be taking on the challenge to raise vital funds for the school in April. Stay tuned—full details will be revealed shortly!

📦 Pre-loved Uniform Store 📦

📅 **Date:** TBC (early next term)

🕒 **Time:** 10:00am to 12:00pm

📍 **Location:** Hollyfield School, The Old Music Building, next to the Dome, Close to the Lamberts Road Gate

[What three words location: [firms.square.energy](https://www.firms.square.energy)]

A big thank you to the volunteers and families who came along to our Pre-loved Uniform Store two Saturday's ago. **We raised just over £100 for the school by selling pre-loved uniforms!**

If your child has lost or outgrown their uniform or PE kit please drop in and see if we can help. Anyone is welcome to take what items they need - it is best the items get used rather than sit in a store or be thrown away! We operate a donation system for those that can afford to contribute and we have a large stock of uniform items. Availability varies.



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📺 Register for Easy Fundraising before starting your online shopping and raise money for Hollyfield School 📺

Please support The Hollyfield School PTA - Surbiton on #easyfundraising, you'll raise FREE donations for us with your everyday shopping.

This is a really simple way to help raise funds for the PTA in order to support the school and students. Easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand.

Follow this link to register and start raising some much needed funding : Select The Hollyfield School PTA, Surbiton: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1>



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THIS WEEK.....



TOP ATTENDERS

The year group with the highest overall attendance so far this year is Year 7 with a total of 96.11%.
The top form group within each year this week is:

7SNE= 95.92%
8RAL = 97.59%
9SCM = 95.56%
10DMI = 97.58%
11AOP = 96.45%

Well done to all these students, keep up the excellent work.

HOUSE POINTS

	 Eagle	 Falcon	 Osprey
Year 7	7569	7951	9523
Year 8	7464	7998	5366
Year 9	7155	6805	8183
Year 10	4569	4883	6777
Year 11	2122	3612	2357
Total	28879	31249	32206

NEXT WEEK

Monday 9 March	Year 12 Retakes (all week) Year 11 Assembly (Science Week) – Dining Hall Year 9 & 10 Assembly (LGBT History and Rights) - Online Yr 9 Fulham Memories Session for International Women’s Day (9.20am -1.00pm)
Tuesday 10 March	Year 7 Assembly (Science Week) – Dining Hall Year 13 Assembly – Common Room
Wednesday 11 March	Year 8 Assembly (Science Week) – Dining Hall Year 8 Strand Hotel Workplace Visit (9.30am-3.00pm)
Thursday 12 March	Year 9 Assembly (Science Week) – Dining Hall Year 11 English GCSE Revision Parent/Carer Mtg (5.00-7.30pm)
Friday 13 March	Year 10 Assembly (Science Week) – Dining Hall Year 7,8 & 9 Reports Emailed Home

FORTHCOMING DATES

10-13 March – Year 11 Back Up GCSE practical Exam
11 March – Year 8 Strand Hotel Workplace Visit (9.30am-3pm)
13 March – Year 7, 8 & 9 Report Emailed Home
16 March – Year 13 Report emailed to parents
18 March – Activity Day
19 March – BTEC Level 3 Results published
19 March – Year 7 Parent Consultation evening - 4.00pm

20 March – Year 11 Report emailed to parents
 23 March – Year 11 GCSE Drama C2 Performance Exam
 23 March-17 April – Year 13 Final Trial Exams
 23 March – Year 9 DTP & Men ACWY Vaccinations
 24 March - KS3 Shakespeare Workshop
 24 March - Year 9 Rosslyn Park 7s Under 14 Rugby Competition
 26 March - Year 7-13 Culture Day
 26 March - Sixth Form External Student Interviews
 27 March – Year 11 Level 2 BTEC Media Exam
 27 March – Year 10 Reports emailed to parents
 27 March – Non-uniform day - £1 donation to charity
 27 March - End of Term – students dismissed from 12.00pm

30 March – 10 April 2026 – Easter Holidays

ACHIEVEMENT POINTS

Achievement and behaviour points are awarded every day at Hollyfield in line with our school policy and are a fundamental part of school life. We want students to be the best versions of themselves and we explicitly teach the behaviour we want our young people to develop through our GO BIG character virtues (Good Communication / Organisation / Bouncebackability/Initiative/Gratitude). Students are therefore rewarded for when they demonstrate these character virtues either in class, around our school environment and even outside of school. The school also gives out termly prizes for great progress, engagement in learning, attendance and also contribution to school life. We also continually try to celebrate the successes of our students outside of school life and encourage all students to be proud of their successes in whatever area they come from.

Behaviour points are given to students in line with our behaviour policy. At the heart of our behaviour policy is restorative approaches which is a strategy the school uses to allow students to discuss their behaviours with one another and also key staff and to move past incidents in a non-judgemental way.

Both of the school's rewards and behaviour policies can be found on the school website and if you have any questions about them please don't hesitate to contact Miss Patel (Assistant Headteacher).

The year group weekly totals are below:

Year 7 443 Year 8 577 Year 9 809 Year 10 450 Year 11 270

The top performing forms per year group in terms of overall achievements were:

7GKU 125 8RAL 126 9VVA 217 10DMI 149 11HBL 79

The top performing students from each year were:

Year 7 Riley B Year 9 Lara K Year 11 Kaia C
 Year 8 Eddie A Year 10 Samuel K

TEACHING & LEARNING

GETTING TO KNOW.....

PE Department

Mr Miller – Head of PE

I have been teaching at Hollyfield for 16 years and have been Head of Faculty for over 10 years now. Hollyfield is a great community school where every day is different and as a department our favourite thing to do is leading extra-curricular opportunities and trips for the students to take part in. Outside of school I enjoy playing golf, padel tennis and when my knees allow it, football still. Other than sport, gardening and growing vegetables is my main way to relax. Myself and Mr Goggin have our fingers crossed for a trophy or two for the red side of North London come this May.

Mr Roberts – PE Teacher

This is my 5th year teaching PE at Hollyfield and I love the atmosphere we have within our department. My favourite sports are football, basketball and Cricket I still play football and cricket competitively to this day. I am a massive Everton fan which the students enjoy making fun of their lack of success. However, I have made up for that at Hollyfield being a part of 2 Surrey Cup basketball trophies in the last few years. Myself and Mr Miller are also a formidable padel tennis pairing.

Mr Goggin – PE Teacher

I've been a PE teacher at Hollyfield for 16 years and enjoy keeping fit. My favourite sports are Basketball and Ice Hockey. My most iconic football World Cup was 1990 and my favourite footballer was Roberto Baggio. As a result I am a Juventus fan and enjoy a yearly visit to Turin with Mr Miller to watch them play. Believe it or not I used to have curtains like David Beckham!

Ms Lui – PE Teacher

I have been at Hollyfield for 3 years now and focus on everything girls related in the department. Promoting women in sport is always at the forefront of my mind! I was lucky enough to watch the Lionesses beat Spain at the Euros Final in Switzerland last year! Even

though I support Arsenal, Lucy Bronze is my favourite player. Outside of work, I enjoy going to the gym, cycling, eating good food, and spending time with my cat.

Miss Grasti – PE Teacher

This is my second year teaching here at Hollyfield and am loving every moment. My greatest achievement so far has definitely been our school cheer team winning their division and grand champs at their cheer comp this year. The girls worked very hard and it's great to see them all getting involved. When I'm not at work, I enjoy getting my nails done or catching up on the Chelsea Women's football matches.

Mr Spencer – PE Teacher

This is my second year as a qualified teacher and since joining in September 2024 I have felt very welcomed and included by all staff across the school, especially from the PE department who are a great team. I personally enjoy all sports around the world but my favourite would be rugby, I am currently playing semi professional rugby for Worthing Raiders which is my home town on the South Coast. I am currently planning my summer season of rugby 7s!

CAREERS

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Careers Briefing 6 March 2026 Mr Poole & Miss Corrighan (Careers team)



National Careers Week 2-7 March

During the week, the school has a series of guest speakers in its year group assemblies:

- On Monday, Year 11 heard from **Stephanie Taylor from Hawk Training**, who talked about the apprenticeship opportunities and the importance of developing employability skills to ensure young people are ready for the workplace.
- On Tuesday, students heard from **David Goodings, a Hollyfield alumnus, talked about his career as a DJ and radio presenter, digital content creator** and his memories of being a student at the school.
- Also on Tuesday, **Year 12 visited Surrey University for the annual University and Apprenticeship Fair**, where they had the opportunity to talk to a wide variety of representatives from universities and training providers about 18+ Choices.
- On Wednesday, **Matthew McAttamney-Greenwood a STEM ambassador** and employee from Drumgrange Ltd delivered an assembly with Year 8 about his career as a Senior Software Engineer.
- On Thursday, **Fiona Henderson from Kingston College** spoke to Year 9s about their future choices now that they have chosen their Key Stage 4 subjects and the different educational pathways they can choose after Year 11 whether it is academic or a more vocational route.
- Finally, on Friday, **Charlotte Hodge, a Naval Architect and a STEM ambassador**, was talking to Year 10 about her job and her career journey.



- In addition to these assemblies, there was a series of careers-based activities in tutor time during the week. Including the launch of the “**My Dream Job “competition for Year 7.** These links may help those students who wish to enter the competition: [National Careers Week 2026 | What’s on offer on Bitesize Careers? - BBC Bitesize](#)
[How can you turn your passions and interests into a job? - BBC Bitesize](#)

Year 11 - Sixth form & college applications for Sept 2026

If students are not planning to attend Hollyfield Sixth Form next year, there is still time to apply to college or an apprenticeship. You need to apply to college to ensure you have a backup plan. **Kingston College, NESCOL, Richmond upon Thames,** and others are still taking applications and have open days, so if you have not applied yet, you need to do so as a matter of urgency as you have to confirm your place for next year.



Kingston College

Kingston College - Wednesday 18 March, 4.30pm-6.30pm

[Register here](#)

Chessington sixth form also offers courses in Childcare and Sports - this is a smaller provision but offers excellent support and small classes. The Childcare students work in the Nursery at the school gaining fantastic experience. The sports academies include Football, Basketball and Sports Coaching. Find out more: [Sixth Form](#)

Apprenticeships

A few weeks ago the school promoted National Apprenticeship week and if students are interested in following this route this is the right time to start searching for opportunities and making applications. Students, parents and carers can look at the [Find an apprenticeship](#) website and look for jobs that will start in Sept 2026. If you are not sure how to apply, speak to Mr Poole, ipool@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk, who is based in Albury.

Way2Work is a local apprenticeship provider who offer apprenticeships in **early years and childcare, teaching assistants, business admin and customer service.** You can check out their website or attend their **next open day: 18th June 2026**

Find out more about what they offer: [Become an apprentice](#) and sign up for the open event: [Way2Work Drop in Session](#)

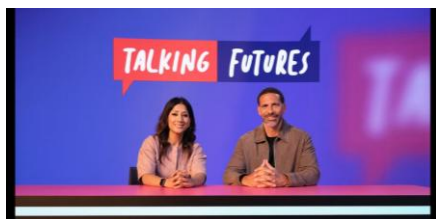


The Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames are offering some interesting apprenticeships for students to be aware of to start in September:

- [Arborist Apprenticeship](#)
- [Business & Administration Apprenticeship](#)
- [Civil Engineering Apprenticeship](#)

For more information on working for Kingston Council please visit: [here](#)

Parents/Carers



Talking futures is a great resource to inform parents and carers about the options available to their children. It has conversation starters, info about the range of options, which include technical qualifications and apprenticeships and more. It is a really good starting point to find out more about what their children can do in this ever-changing education landscape.

NEXT STEPS LONDON which is a collection of guides designed to support young people, parents, and educators as they explore future career pathways across the capital. These resources aim to spark meaningful conversations, build confidence, and provide practical tools for navigating the next stage of the careers journey.

Careers opportunities

We encourage sixth form students and parents and carers to access our **weekly Careers Opportunities bulletin**. All of these opportunities allow students to explore their ideas and look great on uni or apprenticeship applications. Students and parents/carers can access this here: [HF Careers opportunities bulletin 06/03/26](#)

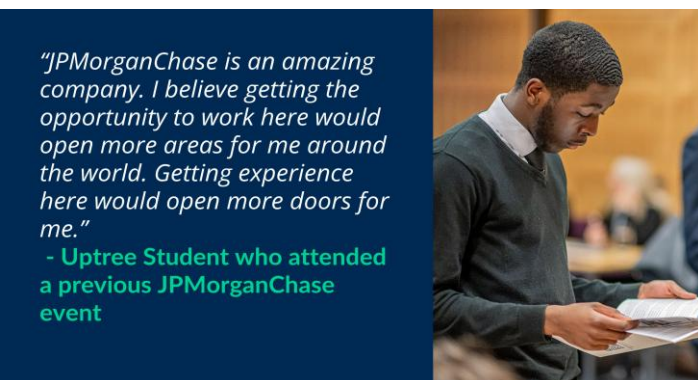
This includes;

- **Work experience**
- **Careers talks**
- **University open days/tasters**
- **Apprenticeships**
- **Unifrog resources and events**
- **and much more**

Students in year 12 will do a work experience placement in the last week of the summer term - 13-17th July so students should be looking for placements now for that week and once confirmed it needs to be recorded on Unifrog placements tool.

JPMorganChase Work Experience Programme.

We're excited to share a fantastic work experience opportunity for students in Years 10-11 in the 2025-26 academic year, hosted by JPMorganChase.



This is for students who might be interested in exploring the world of financial services. The programme combines virtual and in-person experiences, designed to help students build practical skills such as CV writing, interview techniques, and networking. They'll also have the chance to put these skills into practice while interacting with JPMorganChase professionals and peers.

To be eligible to attend, you must be available for all sessions.

- Session 1: Tuesday 4th August 2026 (virtual)
- Session 2: Tuesday 11th and 12th August 2026 (in person)
- Session 3: Thursday 18th February 2027 (virtual)

Students will:

Start with a virtual preparation workshop to help them get the most from the programme

Take part in a two-day in-person experience at a JPMorganChase office (London)

Join a follow-up virtual session to build on what they've learned

Through the programme, students will gain insight into the financial sector and the impact of JPMorganChase's work with clients and communities. This opportunity is ideal for curious, motivated students aged 14-16 who are keen to develop their skills and explore potential careers.

To find out more: [London: JPMorganChase Work Experience Programme 2026 | Event at Uptree](#)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Links to Useful Information

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Important reminders for PE clubs:

- students receive 1 achievement point for attending
- clubs are free and no pre sign is required
- clubs at the school field will have a coach to drop them off and pick them up or students can make their own way home using public transport
- PE kit is not required for clubs during lunchtime
- For after school clubs, students should bring PE kit to get changed after 3.05pm unless they are already wearing their PE kit for their PE lesson that day
- If a student has a repair, they need to attend the repair as the priority

Resilience in Children

If you are interested in further reading around building resilience in children this article is worth a read.

<https://cmom.org/press/the-british-psychological-society-five-ways-to-boost-resilience-in-children/>

LOCAL INFORMATION

Kooth

Kooth is an online crisis messenger service that Children and young people can access for free online mental health support with a professional counsellor - www.Kooth.com.

Mental Health Resource sites

- Mind in Kingston: run daily activities on zoom.
Email RachelDykins@mindinkingston.org.uk for details.
- Childline: [information and advice](#) on a range of topics including feelings, relationships, family and schools. Childline is there to help anyone under 19 in the UK with any issue they're going through. Call: [0800 1111](tel:08001111).
- Anna Freud Centre: 90 resources and strategies <https://www.annafreud.org/selfcare/>.
- Samaritans: Samaritans a safe place for you to talk any time you like, in your own way, about whatever's getting to you. Call: [116 123](tel:116123).
- Shout - Shout is the UK's first free 24/7 text service for anyone in crisis anytime, anywhere. Text Shout to [85258](tel:85258).
- National Domestic Abuse Helpline: We are a team of highly-trained, female advisers. We won't judge you or tell you what to do; we are here to listen. Call: [0808 2000 247](tel:08082000247)/online chat.

Information for adults

Young Minds - Parents Helpline - Worried about a child or young person's behaviour or mental health? Call the free helpline for confidential, expert advice. For more information visit: www.youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/. Call 0808 802 5544.

LOCAL SERVICES

(Please note: Hollyfield School is not affiliated to and does not endorse any specific independent service/activities held outside of school, nor can we quality assure their services.)

Click [here](#) to view organisations who offer a range of services to local families.