



The Hollyfield School e-bulletin
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“There is a distinct sense of community in the school” Ofsted 2020

Head’s Line:

Dear Hollyfield Community

It has been an action-packed week at Hollyfield. We are fast approaching the Year 11 and 13 exams, which officially start on 7 May. There is a buzz around the school as students focus on their forthcoming exams and work through the revision processes set by subject areas.



Passport

Year 11 move onto their passport timetable on the 7 May, which is an integral part of preparing them for their exams. All Year 11 students receive a new timetable with sessions specific to their exams. This ensures that they receive expert teaching up to each exam. Students have their passport assembly today, where they receive their new timetables. These will be sent home to parents on Tuesday next week.

Early Close: 24/5

We will have an early close on Friday 24 May due to the Year 11 Record of Achievement ceremony. For students in Year 7 – Year 10 and in the sixth form, the school will close at 12.00pm. Year 11 are expected to remain on site.

Industrial Action - Trains

If your child travels to school via train, they will be affected by the upcoming industrial action. This is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 7 May, with a significantly reduced service running on a limited number of lines due to strike action, with large parts of the network closed. This continues between Wednesday, 8 to Saturday, 11 May, with a revised service due to industrial action. If your child is in Year 11 and has exams in the morning, it is extremely important that you arrange alternative transport to school on those days.

First aid:

Please can parents and students ensure they follow the correct first aid procedures? If your child is ill, they must go to first aid to be assessed. If our First Aid Officer believes they need to be sent home, he will contact parents to inform them. Students should not call their parents or ask them to collect them without a conversation with the First Aid Officer.

If your child has an injury which requires them to be sent home or needs specialist care, please ensure your child is taken to A&E/GP or a walk-in clinic for assessment. If Mr Hopkins recommends that your child be taken to A&E to be assessed, it is important that they go. Students should not be sent back to school for Mr Hopkins to treat unless they have been taken to the recommended appointment.

Mental Health assemblies next week

Next week the school will deliver a number of mental health assemblies. These will be delivered to all year groups.

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2023

5 September to 21 December
 (Inset Day – 4-5 Sept & 1-3 Nov
 - except Y11 & Y13)

Half Term

23 October - 3 November (see above)

Christmas Holiday

22 December - 5 January 2024

Spring Term 2024

8 January – 28 March
 (Inset Day – 19 Feb)

Half Term

12-19 February (see above)

Easter Holiday

29 March – 12 April (Bank Hol
 29 Mar & 1 Apr)

Summer Term 2024

15 April – 19 July (Bank Hol 6
 & 27 May)

Half Term

29 - 31 May

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- 6/5 – Bank Holiday
- 6-24/5 –Y7, 8, 9 End of Year Exams
- 7/5 – Y13 Report emailed to parents
- 12/5– GCE Coursework Deadline
- 14-15/5 – Y6 Interviews (4.00-6.00pm)
- 14/5 - Y7 Performing Arts Scholars Trip –
- 22/5 – Y8 Performing Arts Scholars Trip
- 23/5 – Y12 Devising assessment Performance
- 24/5 – Early Closure – 12.00pm

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Year 10 parents evening

Year 10 parents' evening took place on Thursday, 2 May. Parents' evenings are crucial events as they allow the teaching staff to give feedback about progress, attainment and behaviour. This was an extremely well-attended event. Thank you to all the parents who attended.

Kingston's Efficient Homes Show, Hollyfield School on Saturday 18 May, 10am - 3pm

Whether you're looking to save some money, add value to your property, gain new skills, learn about career opportunities or protect the planet, Kingston's Efficient Homes Show has something for everyone.

'Imagine my Journey to School' Lab

An exciting, interactive activity involving live GIS maps, aimed at students in Years 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13, will be hosted by Urban World Matters. It will be of particular interest to students keen on the sciences, geography and planning although all students are welcome to attend. Places are limited, so register your interest on the [School Journey Lab via a Google Form](#).

Exhibition, Roundtable Discussions, Short Talks & Information

30 businesses, Universities, Colleges and other organisations are already signed up to help you refurbish your house, cut your energy bills, discover renewables, get around town in a healthier way, start a new career and much much more.

It is open and free to everyone; you can book [free tickets to Kingston's Efficient Homes Show](#).

Kingston & Richmond Youth Council

Please find the Kingston & Richmond Youth Council's second newsletter [here](#), it is a wealth of information on young people's emotional well-being.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Amy Jackson
Headteacher

OTHER NOTICES

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 office@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 Health Care Plans

Please can we remind all parents to complete a MHCP for any student with a medical condition if you have not already done so. Also, if there are any changes to a current plan please complete and submit a new MHCP so we can update our records. You can [print a form](#) and return it to school.

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

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.

IN SAFE HANDS

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

School! Get in touch with the Designated Safeguarding Team

Mrs McGeoch: smcgeoch@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk

Ms Patel: spatel@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.....





HOLLYFIELD PTA NEWS

HOLLYFEST 2024

Is currently being planned! Watch this space for more details!

Breaking news! You can book your early bird tickets here!

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hollyfield/>

You can also sign up to an **estate agent board** (donation to the school for each board) and buy your **raffle tickets** at the same place! <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hollyfield/>

Next PTA/Hollyfest Meeting Tuesday 21 May

Everyone is welcome! Join us, find out how you can get involved and have fun whilst helping with events and raising funds for the school!

Join us at the Hollyfield, Exam building, next to the Dome, 7:30pm.

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Entering from the top gate off Lamberts Road.

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

Pre-loved Uniform Store Next session: TBC - end of June 2024

At the old Music Building, Next to the Dome, Close to the Lamberts Road Gate

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Anyone is welcome to pop in and take what items they need.

If your child has lost or outgrown their uniform or PE kit please drop in and see if we can help. We have a large stock of items of uniform (particularly trousers) and PE kit including some shoes, football boots and trainers. **Availability varies.**

In an emergency situation, students can speak to the team at the school office to ask for access to the Uniform Store in the old music building.

We operate a donation system for those that can afford to contribute.

Everyone Welcome - it is best the items get used, rather than sit in a store or be thrown away!

Any donations of uniform too small for your child would also be appreciated! These can be dropped at the collection point at the entrance to Albury

Easy Fundraising

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>

There are lots of ways of finding out about the PTA and what we are up to - website, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and two email addresses.... they are all linked at the foot of each page....



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www.hollyfieldpta.org

THIS WEEK.....




TOP ATTENDERS

The year group with the highest overall attendance so far this year is Year 8 with a total of 93.77%. The top form group within each year this week is:

7SNE = 98.01%
 8NMA = 98.55%
 9LCA = 94.16%
 10KEM = 95.08%
 11RLO = 94.08%

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

HOUSE POINTS

	 Eagle	 Falcon	 Osprey
Year 7	11717	11815	12262
Year 8	9798	9526	9130
Year 9	8493	8865	8100
Year 10	7121	5395	5173
Year 11	1616	4619	2034
Total	38745	40220	36699

NEXT WEEK

Monday 6 May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7 May	Year 13 Assembly – Common Room Year 7 Assembly (Mental Health Awareness) – Dining Hall Year 11 Passport Begins Year 7,8 & 9 Surbiton Trophy Training (Alexandra Park Tennis Court) (1.10-3pm) Year 13 Reports emailed home
Wednesday 8 May	Year 8 Assembly (Mental Health Awareness) – Dining Hall Year 8 & 9 Reach Out - (Exam Centre) (6.00-8.00pm)
Thursday 9 May	Year 9 Assembly (Mental Health Awareness) – Dining Hall Year 8 & 9 Reach Out Trip (9.20am - 2.00pm)
Friday 10 May	Year 10 Assembly (Mental Health Awareness) – Dining Hall Year 11 GCSE Biology Exam (Exam Centre) – (8.30-11.00am)
Sunday 12 May	GCE Coursework Deadline

FORTHCOMING DATES

6 May – Bank Holiday
 6-24 May – Year 7, 8, 9 End of Year Exams
 7 May – Year 13 Report emailed to parents
 7 May – Year 11 Passport begins
 12 May – GCE Coursework Deadline

14 May - Year 7 Performing Arts Scholars Trip - Operation Mincemeat (12.45-5.30pm)
 14-15 May – Year 6 Interviews (4.00-6.00pm)
 22 May – Year 8 Performing Arts Scholars Trip – Hadestown (5.00-10pm)
 23 May – Year 12 Devising assessment Performance
 24 May – Early Closure due to Year 11 Celebration event – 12.00pm

27 - 31 May 2024 – Half Term

6 June – Year 10 Tate Modern Trip
 10-28 June – Year 10 Trial Exams
 17-28 June – Year 12 End of Year Exams
 21 June – Year 13 Prom
 24 June – Year 7, 8, 9 Report emailed to parents
 28 June – Public exams end
 28 June – Year 11 Prom
 2 July – Year 10 Sussex University Trip
 3 July – New Year 7 Induction Day
 4-6 July – Ilex Theatre Performances – 7.00pm
 9 July - Sports Day
 10-11 July – Activities Day
 10-11 July – Year 10 Geography Field Trip, Seaford
 11 July – Art & Design Exhibition – 4.00-7.00pm
 13 July - Hollyfest
 15 July – Year 10,12 Report emailed to parents
 15-19 July – Year 12 Work Experience Week
 19 July - End of Term – students dismissed from 12.00pm

15 August – A2/AS Results Day
 22 August– GCSE Results Day

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 1244 **Year 8** 876 **Year 9** 791 **Year 10** 661 **Year 11** 129

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

7CNE 206 **8FKE** 190 **9HRO** 151 **10EBE** 111 **11DMI** 85

The top performing students from each year were:

Year 7 Stanislav F

Year 9 Altynai N

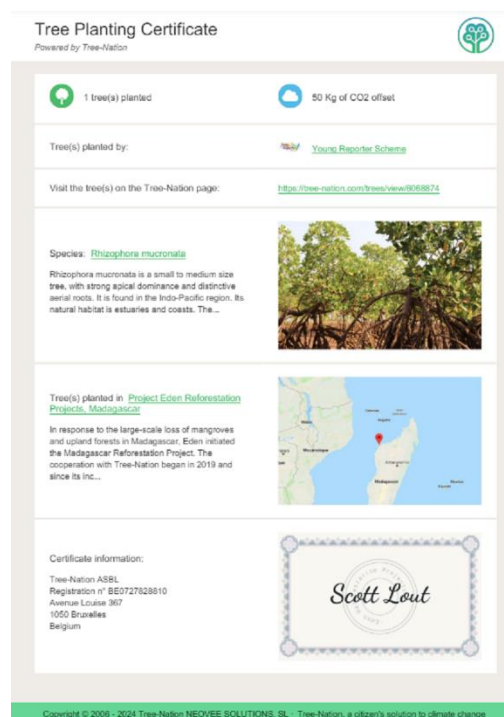
Year 11 Wojciech K

Year 8 Elliot TC

Year 10 Callum B/Beau B/
Sami T/Anzhelika Y

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Emily S (Year 10), Amelie J (Year 10), Kye B (Year 12) and Edria J (Year 12) for their success within the Young Reporters Scheme. Over the past 9 months they have written a wide range of articles published on the Young Reporters website (www.youngreporter.co.uk), covering an exciting range of local and national news events and will receive a Letter of Recognition for their dedication. A Rhizophora Mucronata tree in the name of Hollyfield School and Sixth Form has been planted in Madagascar by the Young Reporters Scheme and will offset 50Kg of CO₂.



GETTING TO KNOW.....

Computing Department

Mrs Assam

Mrs Assam, a dedicated and accomplished professional, has been an integral part of Hollyfield School for a remarkable 19 years. Her journey began in Pennsylvania, USA, where she obtained a Computer Science degree and excelled as a programmer. However, driven by a passion for education, she made the bold decision to transition into teaching. In 2005, Mrs. Assam joined Hollyfield School as an IT teacher, contributing her expertise and nurturing the minds of countless students. Recognising her exceptional skills, she was appointed as the Head of the Computing Department in 2013, coinciding with the introduction of the Computer Science curriculum. Building on her success, Mrs. Assam assumed the role of Head of the IT & Business Faculty in 2020, showcasing her versatility and leadership qualities.

Beyond her professional accomplishments, Mrs. Assam's vibrant personality shines through her diverse interests. She finds joy in Latin Jazz Music, embracing its rhythms. Additionally, she channels her passion for nature through her love for gardening, tending to vibrant

blooms with unwavering dedication. Mrs. Assam also has a deep appreciation for the great outdoors and the serene beauty of the sea, often seeking solace and inspiration in their presence. Her love for hot weather complements her active lifestyle, as she enthusiastically participates in Zumba classes, staying energised and vibrant. Furthermore, Mrs. Assam is a keen gardener, spending most of the Spring/Summer evenings outdoors in her garden.

Mr Blakley

Mr Blakley's journey at Hollyfield School is a testament to his unwavering commitment to education and his multifaceted talents. As a student, he embarked on his educational voyage from Year 7 to 13 within the halls of Hollyfield. Afterward, he ventured to university to pursue his passion for Web Development and Design, gaining invaluable skills in the field. Eager to contribute to his previous school, Mr Blakley returned to Hollyfield as an IT Technician, dedicating almost four years to supporting the school's technological infrastructure.

Driven by a desire to inspire young minds, Mr Blakley pursued a PGCE at King's College London. Returning to Hollyfield as a PGCE student, he has since established himself as a respected Computing Teacher and the esteemed Head of Year 7. His extensive knowledge and expertise in the field allow him to guide and mentor students effectively.

Beyond his role as an educator, Mr Blakley is a qualified gymnastics coach, specialising in elite acrobatic gymnastics outside of school hours. His commitment to physical fitness and nurturing young talents extends beyond the classroom. Furthermore, his passion for innovation led him to pursue training and achieve the distinction of being a Raspberry Pi Certified Educator, amplifying his ability to integrate technology into his teaching practices. Mr Blakley's dedication to holistic education and his diverse skill set make him an invaluable asset to the Hollyfield School community.

Mr Bonehill

In 1983, when he was 6 years old, his Dad bought the family a BBC Micro Computer. It really captured his imagination. He used it regularly until he was around 11! He would follow instructions for creating blocky animated images and simple games. He's been programming ever since.

He also learned to play the clarinet from around the age of 8. He followed both passions, programming and music. He joined several bands that got signed to record labels. The most successful band was twice nominated for an Ivor Novello award. They lost on both occasions, once to Elbow and once to Lily Allen! Perhaps teaching was inevitable! He studied Maths and Science at A Level at John Taylor High School in Staffordshire. He went on to study Computer Science at the University of Southampton. He completed his PGCE there too. He loves teaching, when he's at work, he's happiest in the classroom. He also enjoys his role as a senior leader. He loves working with the most challenging students, he finds it the most rewarding aspect of his work.

He now has two boys of his own, Ray 15 and Rocco 12, they are both very different from each other but equally awesome. He loves being at home and spending time with his family.

CAREERS



Careers Briefing - 3 May 2024 Mr Poole & Miss Corrighan (Careers team)

Year 11s

[Way2 Work](#) is a local apprenticeship provider in the Kingston area who offer a range of apprenticeships. They are having open events in June for year 11s and parents/carers to attend. See flyer in the bulletin for more details but the dates are:

- **Thursday 18 June Afternoon session: 2pm to 5pm Heatham House in Twickenham**
- **Friday 21 June Morning session: 9am to 12pm Guildhall in Kingston**

You can start an apprenticeship at various stages but students who leave at 16 could apply to do a Level 2 apprenticeship. Another good place to find local vacancies is on: [Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK](#).

All Year 11s should by now have a plan about where they want to study next year or whether they are going into an apprenticeship. If students do not have any applications for college and need some support they should see Mr.Poole or Miss Corrighan in the LRC who can help them apply for colleges and apprenticeships.

Year 10



We are organising an aspirational visit to **Sussex University on 2 July**.

This trip is an important part of the careers provision as this visit is an opportunity to visit a campus based university and gain an insight into higher education. Even if students do not want to go to university it is recommended that they attend to find out more about future options so they can make informed choices. It will include a tour, chat

with student ambassadors and talks about university life etc.

A letter was sent out about the trip: [Sussex University trip](#) but we want to make sure everyone has the opportunity to go on the trip so we have included the letter. The trip costs £17.00 and payment and the medical form needs to be returned ASAP. Please contact Mr Poole ipoole@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk if you have any questions.

Year 10 Students can start to think about post 16 options including [Hollyfield Sixth form](#) & colleges. There are some open events this term you can attend:

- [Nescot College](#) - offers a range of vocational courses including Animal Care, Construction, Media, Hair & Beauty and much more. **Open event: Wednesday 22 May, 2024 16:30 - 19:30**
- [Esher College](#) - **Open Evening on Monday 1 July 2024 4.30 – 8.00pm** This is the only open event for students starting in 2025. There are also tours that take place but look on their website for more information

- [Kingston College](#) Open event on 21st June 2024 11.00-14.00 - more open events in the Autumn Term in the evenings and on the weekends.

If you want to apply to Esher College applications open on July 2nd otherwise most college applications should be made from late September and October onwards.



Career Opportunities bulletin for sixth formers

Year 12 will be on work experience w/c 15th July so can look at work experience OR university summer schools. Please see the weekly bulletin below with details of work experience, university tasters, summer schools, apprenticeships, careers talks and more. This is collated each week for YOU!

[3rd May 2024 Sixth Form Careers opportunities](#)

Careers in Focus

Labour Market Information (LMI) is important in planning your future career. For the full picture of the London Labour Market please see this brilliant website: [London LMI](#) and [Unifrog](#) This week we are using information from the [Success at School](#) website.

Animal Welfare

Are you an animal lover? Do you feel strongly about animal welfare issues? If you are a naturally caring person and would enjoy working with a range of different species of animals, then a career in animal welfare could be right up your street.



What is animal welfare?

Animal welfare is all about protecting and looking after animals that are sick or have been mistreated. Animal welfare is a wide-ranging area and there are [many different roles within the sector](#). You could be employed as an animal care worker, looking after animals in rescue centres, kennels or animal sanctuaries. Or you could work for the RSPCA as an animal collection officer or as a care assistant, helping veterinarians at an animal hospital.

What animal welfare jobs can I do?

Jobs in animal welfare are really diverse and there is something out there to suit all animal lovers. Whether you enjoy spending time outdoors, or would rather work inside, the animal welfare sector will have something to meet your preferences. Some animal welfare jobs include:

Animal behaviourist

Working as an [animal behaviourist](#), your job will be to understand and train animals either as part of an animal captivity programme or in a domestic setting. This role will require you to have in-depth understanding of animal psychology as your job will involve identifying behavioural issues and implementing training programmes. In order to work as an animal behaviourist, you'll need to have a degree in animal behaviour or animal welfare.

Kennel worker

As a kennel worker, your job will mostly involve working with dogs. Some of your main duties will be grooming, checking for signs of ill health, cleaning the kennels and feeding the dogs. You'll also be responsible for providing companionship to the dogs, taking them for walks and playing with them. Most kennel workers receive on-the-job training but having a good understanding of canine health and diet will certainly help you learn the ropes quicker. If you're more of a cat person, you could work in a cattery instead - your role would have similar duties. The animal care and welfare assistant intermediate apprenticeship is available in this area.



Vet

Vets make sure animals are healthy and happy and treat them medically when they are ill or injured. They work in veterinary practices (where you take your cat or dog), zoos and safari parks, research facilities, farms and even in the military - wherever animals are to be found, in short. [To become a vet](#), you need a degree in veterinary medicine and you'll have to train and gain experience in the role.

Veterinary nurse

Veterinary nurses work alongside vets, helping them out in surgery and carrying out routine procedures and daily care of the animals. You'll need a level 3 diploma, which you can gain at college or via an apprenticeship in the role, training over 18 months to three years.

Zookeeper

Zookeepers look after animals in zoos and are responsible for the health, safety and welfare of the creatures in their care. They work in safari parks, aquariums and sometimes even in the wild. Anything from tigers and giraffes to birds and fish would come under a zookeeper's care. Take a look at our article on [how to become a zookeeper](#).

Zoologist

In this role, you could be involved in [researching](#) animal behaviours or applying knowledge and understanding to resolve animal welfare issues. Despite the name, not all zoologists work in zoos, although many do. You could be working in [agricultural environments](#), animal sanctuaries, welfare organisations or in schools, teaching children. In order to work as a zoologist, you'll most likely need to have a master's degree or doctorate in zoology or a similar subject.

How can I start a career in animal welfare?

In order to work in animal welfare, you don't necessarily need to have any qualifications.

However, like most jobs, having GCSEs in [English](#) and [maths](#) will be beneficial.

You can train for many roles through an apprenticeship. If you plan on working as an animal behaviourist, vet, zoologist or in any role that involves medicine or surgery, you will need to have a degree in animal welfare, zoology or veterinary medicine.

One way of improving your career prospects in the animal welfare sector is to apply for [work experience opportunities](#). Although many work experience placements are voluntary, the knowledge and skills that you'll learn will make you more attractive to employers. Contacting local animal welfare organisations is a good place to start when looking for work experience.

You might also want to try contacting the following larger organisations:

- [The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals \(RSPCA\)](#)
- [The People's Dispensary for Sick Animals \(PDSA\)](#)
- [Blue Cross](#)
- [The Dogs Trust](#)
- [Cats Protection](#)

This information was taken from the Success at School website: [Animal Welfare](#)

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Way2Work Open Day Event 2024

You are invited to attend Way2Work's apprenticeship open day

100% pass rate

93% of apprentices progressing into a higher apprenticeship, employment or further training

Thursday 18 June
Afternoon session: 2pm to 5pm
• Heatham House in Twickenham

Friday 21 June
Morning session: 9am to 12pm
• Guildhall in Kingston

What is covered on the day

- Types of apprenticeships
- Experiences of past apprentices
- Benefits of an apprenticeship
- Skills you will develop
- How to sign up
- Employers you can work for

Way2Work
Apprenticeships



Please reserve your ticket for the event on Eventbrite as spaces are limited!
Scan the QR code




At Way2Work we deliver apprenticeships in:

Business administration	Customer service
Marketing, digital and IT, sales and distribution, human resources, property	Social services, PA roles, fitness technology, aerospace, finance
Early years educator or early years practitioner	Teaching assistant
Day nurseries, private nurseries	Primary, secondary and special schools

Contacts and social media:

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LinkedIn: Achieving for Children Way2Work
Twitter: Way2WorkJobs
Instagram: [afc_way2work](https://www.instagram.com/afc_way2work)





GENERAL INFORMATION

Links to Useful Information

[Term Dates 2023-2024](#)

[Uniform List](#)

[Extra-Curricular Activities](#)

[Severe Weather Procedure](#)

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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-psycological-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.



Counselling and Therapy

Morag Shrafeddin is a qualified Counsellor with a Masters from Roehampton University in Integrative Counselling and Psychotherapy specialising in work with Children, Adolescents and Families. She also works in Fulham as a School Project Manager with the school counselling service Place2Be.

Morag is dedicated to supporting children and adolescents with their emotional well-being and personal growth. With a compassionate and client-centred approach, she aims to empower children and young people to overcome challenges and thrive in their lives.

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For More Info:
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