



**HEBBURN**  
Comprehensive School

# Careers Newsletter Dec 2021

## Our Aim:

At Hebburn Comprehensive School, we recognise that we have a critical role to play in preparing young people for the next stage of their education or training. We have high expectations for all pupils, including the most vulnerable and those with special educational needs and disabilities, ensuring that every pupil is stretched and acquires the skills and attributes that employers require and value.

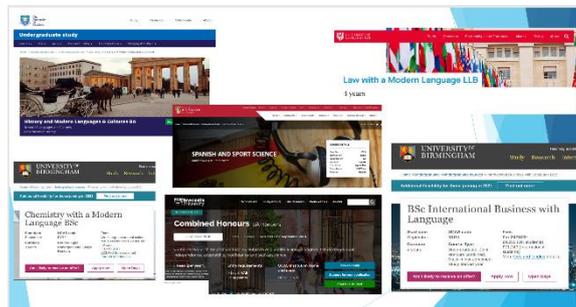
Through our comprehensive careers programme (Y7 – Y11), we encourage all pupils to have high aspirations and consider a broad and ambitious range of career paths, often providing opportunities for contact with real employers, giving pupils first-hand experiences of where different choices could take them in the future.

## Careers day 2021

As part of our continuing commitment to helping pupils understand the role of the school curriculum in choosing a career pathway, we held our first Careers Day in October this term. In each lesson pupils were educated on the career pathways available to them within each subject area.

### Where can Geography take you?

**YOUR TASK:**  
**BACK OF BOOKS**  
Write as many job titles as possible you can think of that are associated with Geography!



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| <p><b>Salary: £61,000</b><br/>Hours: 40 per week<br/>Skills: Strategic, time management, planning, communication, creativity</p> <p><b>1</b></p>           | <p><b>Salary: £19,200</b><br/>Hours: 40 per week<br/>Skills: Critical, work with technology, research, attention to detail</p> <p><b>2</b></p>                | <p><b>Salary: £33,000</b><br/>Hours: 35 per week<br/>Skills: Working with technology, planning, problem-solving, attention to detail</p> <p><b>3</b></p>                  | <p><b>Salary: £55,700</b><br/>Hours: 35 per week<br/>Skills: Strategic, management, planning, problem-solving, cooperation</p> <p><b>4</b></p>                    | <p><b>Salary: £49,990</b><br/>Hours: 40 per week<br/>Skills: Analytical, decision-making, communication, research, problem-solving, presentation</p> <p><b>5</b></p> | <p><b>Salary: £40,040</b><br/>Hours: 37 per week<br/>Skills: Negotiating, customer care, communication, problem-solving</p> <p><b>6</b></p>            |
| <p><b>Salary: £22,000</b><br/>Hours: 40 per week<br/>Skills: Observation, critical thinking, statistics, computer, attention to detail</p> <p><b>7</b></p> | <p><b>Salary: £15,360</b><br/>Hours: 40 per week<br/>Skills: Planning, working with technology, problem-solving, evaluation, adaptability</p> <p><b>8</b></p> | <p><b>Salary: £14,070</b><br/>Hours: 40 per week<br/>Skills: Innovation, working with technology, communication, problem-solving, attention to detail</p> <p><b>9</b></p> | <p><b>Salary: £44,200</b><br/>Hours: 40 per week<br/>Skills: Strategic, analytical, communication, problem-solving, attention to detail</p> <p><b>10</b></p>      | <p><b>Salary: £46,800</b><br/>Hours: 37 per week<br/>Skills: Planning, communication, strategic, working with technology</p> <p><b>11</b></p>                        | <p><b>Salary: £22,070</b><br/>Hours: 42 per week<br/>Skills: Time management, communication, problem-solving, attention to detail</p> <p><b>12</b></p> |
| <p><b>Salary: £16,000</b><br/>Hours: 40 per week<br/>Skills: Communication, research, computer, problem-solving</p> <p><b>13</b></p>                       | <p><b>Salary: £33,800</b><br/>Hours: 37 per week<br/>Skills: Planning, research, working with technology, communication</p> <p><b>14</b></p>                  | <p><b>Salary: £13,200</b><br/>Hours: 40 per week<br/>Skills: Planning, research, working with technology, communication</p> <p><b>15</b></p>                              | <p><b>Salary: £48,500</b><br/>Hours: 35 per week<br/>Skills: Strategic, time management, communication, problem-solving, attention to detail</p> <p><b>16</b></p> | <p><b>Salary: £51,000</b><br/>Hours: 35 per week<br/>Skills: Strategic, communication, problem-solving, attention to detail</p> <p><b>17</b></p>                     | <p><b>Salary: £16,800</b><br/>Hours: 40 per week<br/>Skills: Strategic, communication, problem-solving, attention to detail</p> <p><b>18</b></p>       |



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| <p><b>Government Intelligence (MIS / GCHQ)</b></p> | <p><b>Journalist</b></p>                     | <p><b>International Athlete</b></p> |
| <p><b>Tour Manager</b></p>                         | <p><b>Airport staff Cabin Crew Pilot</b></p> | <p><b>YouTuber</b></p>              |
| <p><b>Game Translator</b></p>                      | <p><b>Finance</b></p>                        | <p><b>Fashion Buyer</b></p>         |

Having a second language can lead to a successful, well paid career in any of these sectors - and not a teacher, interpreter or translator in sight!

Have a look at this...

## CAREER ADVICE



### Meet our careers advisor

Introducing Mr Atkinson, our careers advisor. Mr Atkinson will be in school every Thursday and, as well as doing year 11 interviews, he is available before school, breaks, lunchtimes and after school in the Open Zone for all year groups. He can advise on career pathways, applications, courses, apprenticeships and lots of career related information.

If you would rather email him, including parents, he can be contacted on [AtkinsonT@hebburn.net](mailto:AtkinsonT@hebburn.net)

You can also speak to our Head of Careers, Mrs A Spark



## Spotlight on staff careers

### Miss Studholme – Teacher of Geography

**A level** - Geography, Biology, Psychology

**Degree** - BSc Geography at Newcastle University. I chose it because I love researching the physical world, how things work. Geography love also runs through the family. A massive pull was my amazing geography teacher encouraging me to love the subject.

#### Experiences

I travelled Tanzania and volunteered at a local school and climbed Kilimanjaro when I was 17. This gave me amazing life skills and sparked a love of teaching and travelling. I took a gap year after university to explore the world and travel, so I could get a sense of the physical geographies in real life. I then came home due to the pandemic and worked as a volunteer for covid patients and then worked at the clerical bank for the NHS. I did some admin work for Laing O'Rourke. I did my PGCE in Newcastle and started my first job here as soon as I qualified.



Find out what  
some of our past  
pupils are doing  
now!

## Alumni

At Hebburn Comprehensive, we highly value our connection with our former students. We want to celebrate the achievements and experiences of our alumni with students, staff and the local community. If any former pupils want to share their career journey with our pupils, please contact us via [careers@hebburn.net](mailto:careers@hebburn.net) with Alumni in the subject line.

### Lee Dowling

**Job/Occupation:** Barrister and owner of a law firm

**Dates attended Hebburn Comp:** 1994-1999

**Post 16:** A-levels, Law Degree at Durham Uni, Masters  
Bar Practice Course

#### Employment History:

Solicitor  
Legal Advisor Solicitor Barrister



#### Why become a Barrister:

“One of the best things I enjoy about my job is that no 2 days are the same and I am involved in many cases, each of them as unique as the clients I represent. The work Barristers do very often concerns very important events and changes in people’s lives and so can have a huge effect on clients. When you win a case or things do go well for your client it’s very rewarding. You don’t always get what the client wants or win and it’s just as important to finish your day knowing that you have done the best you can for the person you’ve represented whether or not it ultimately went your way.”

## Frankie Charlton

**Job/Occupation:** I'm currently a PhD student, Postgraduate researcher in Molecular Biology and Virology from the University of Leeds



**Dates attended Hebburn Comp:** 2006-2011

**Post 16:** St Joseph's Sixth form for my A-levels, then to the University of Leeds for a BSc in Medical Microbiology, and then a Master's by Research (MRes) in Molecular and cellular biology

### Employment History:

Bath ASU, a company just outside of Bath that manufactures chemotherapy drugs for healthcare providers nationwide

Public Health England's COVID 'Megalabs' during the early stages of the pandemic

### My greatest achievements:

- o graduating top of my year at University for my course
- o publishing the research I did during my Master's degree in a peer-reviewed journal



# Amazing Apprenticeships

**THE  
ASK  
PROGRAMME**  
APPRENTICESHIPS  
TRAINEESHIPS  
T LEVELS

We are proud to say that our school is a development school with the ASK programme who will be delivering small group support, workshops and presentations to our pupils about apprenticeship, traineeships and T level opportunities. In addition they will be providing support around CVs and applications.

## Career Events

# YOUR NEXT STEPS LIVE

Supported by:  South Tyneside College

Explore your career and training options,  
meet employers and build your future.



**THURSDAY 21ST OCTOBER**  
**3:30-7:30PM**

📍 Temple Park Centre, South Shields, NE34 8QN

👉 [sttpn.com](http://sttpn.com)



Some of our year 11 pupils were given the opportunity to attend the above event on 21<sup>st</sup> October. Pupils were invited to explore their careers and training opportunities, meet employers currently hiring and build their future at Your Next Steps Live.



Next Steps Live Event

## Useful websites

### **Colleges**

[Gateshead college](#)

[Newcastle college](#)

[South Tyneside college](#)

[Tyne Met college](#)

[Sunderland college](#)

### **Sixth forms**

[Harton Sixth Form](#)

[St Joseph's RC VA Sixth form](#)

[Whitburn C of E Academy](#)

[Newcastle Sixth Form College](#)

[St Wilfred's RC College](#)

### **Apprenticeships:**

[National apprenticeship service](#)

[UCAS](#) – Advanced level/Higher apprenticeship finder

[Rate my Apprenticeship](#)

[Find an apprenticeship](#)

[Apprenticeships](#) - Government website

### **University:**

[UCAS](#): - University applications and information

[Durham University](#)

[Newcastle University](#)

[Northumbria University](#)

[Sunderland University](#)

[Teesside University](#)

### **Careers information**

[National Careers Service:](#)

[UCAS](#) – find career ideas

[icould – real stories to inspire your career choices](#)

[South Tyneside Training Provider Network](#)

### **Labour Market information**

[The Labour Market North East](#)

[National Guidance Research Forum](#)

[North East Local Enterprise Partnership](#)