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The Careers Newsletter

May 2022

Welcome to the May issue of the PRS Careers Newsletter and I hope you all had a nice Easter. This is the month when Year 11's begin their exams and start looking towards the future, so good luck to you all, your journey starts right here. It's very quiet on the events front but there is still plenty to look forward to. There is a few open days this month so try and check them out if you can and we have a local apprentice opportunity at a local football team and an opportunity to work at a famous authors very own museum. This is the final edition of the newsletter this side of summer but we will be back in October. Have a great summer see you soon.

In this month's issue, the focus is on the variety of careers that are linked to history. Don't forget, if you want to have a chat about career guidance, then come and see Mrs Redrup in the Sixth Form area or me, Mr Stone, in B25 in the SEND Department.



InvestIn is a UK based organisation that provides students aged 12-18 with an immersive experience of their dream career. InvestIn offers a chance to experience their dream career before they have left school. They provide students with once in a lifetime industry experience and exclusive inside advice on how to succeed choosing their career with confidence.

On Wednesday May 4th at 7pm InvestIn are presenting a webinar entitled Uncover Your Child's Future in Forensic Science which looks at the key skills required to pursue a career in forensics, the range of roles that are available and the steps students need to take to get there. For more information and to register go to the website: investin.org.uk

Up and coming events



Morgan Sindall Construction are offering a Virtual work experience between 23rd and 27th May. To register go to www.s4snextgen.org/students/Take-Part

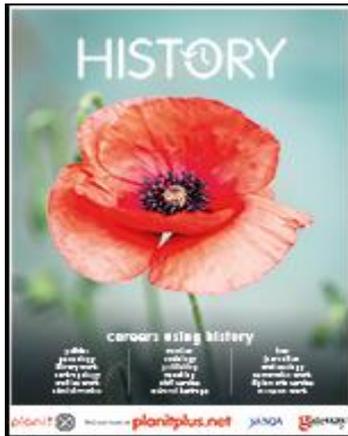


Wycombe Wanderers Sports and Education Trust are looking for a Level 2 Community Activity Coach Standard Apprenticeship. The apprentice will be responsible for assessing WWSET qualified football coaches and PE specialists in planning, preparation and delivering high quality sessions. For more information go to findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk. The closing date is 30th May 2022

TotTown Day Nursery are looking to recruit apprentices to support their staff team. The nursery is located in a quiet cul-de-sac close to Desborough Recreation Ground and Park. For more information visit the website at www.tottownnursery.com

Kingswood are looking for an Outdoor Activity Instructor Apprentice. This involves leading outdoor activities using a range of specialist equipment. For more information go to findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk. The closing date is 18th July 2022

Focus on....



Our careers focus in this month's newsletter is History and the diverse career opportunities that are available to you. These include the media, teaching, working in historic houses or on historic sites, working in record offices, archives or libraries. You may be interested in working in museums, galleries, conservation or in archaeology.

There are many levels in which there are jobs and opportunities in working in museums. A history degree will obviously be important when applying for certain roles but there are opportunities that do not require a degree and give you the chance to learn on the job. Most museums offer work experience or volunteering opportunities. You may want to work in historic houses or on heritage sites. The National Trust maintains a large number of heritage sites across the country and it offers different types of roles such as in conservation, visitor information and gardeners etc. The National Trust runs an apprenticeship scheme for horticultural and grounds worker called 'careerships'. It also has a volunteering section. For more information visit The National Trust website (see below).

My Story



Lynne Minett

Lynne studied History to a degree level and is now Head of Learning at The National Railway Museum in York.

Working in record offices or archives could involve working at a local level as well as a national level. The National Archives has a work experience scheme and your local record office may be able to offer you work experience. Libraries also take work experience students and you can find out more from The Library and Information Society (see below) Teaching history in schools may be your path of interest. You can do this by taking a PGCE course after gaining your history degree or by the Teach First training programme.

Career opportunities in the media could include journalism as well as broadcasting or working in film. The National Training Advisory called Creative Skillset runs a series of workshops for those who are seeking a career in broadcasting. Talking of working in broadcasting, you may want to become the next Indiana Jones by studying archaeology. For the best point of call for anything archaeological, your best source is The Council for British Archaeology. There are work experience and volunteering opportunities available. Have a dig around!

Her degree covered a broad range of history, from the Medieval period to the 18th and 19th century as well as European and American History. Her dissertation was about Elizabeth I. She says that studying history has given her good grounding in all areas that are particularly relevant to the jobs she has gone on to be involved in. At the National Railway Museum, knowledge of 18th and 19th century is relevant as it gives her the contextual background she needs to bring the museum to life. The skills she has developed as a historian include presenting data and reading data, analysing historical facts and understanding different views and perspectives. She loves history but didn't know it was going to be a career for her until towards the end of her A-Levels. Her advice is to keep your options open! Lots of careers have different pathways in to them and the transferable skills you learn from history are always relevant.

The Roald Dahl Museum is currently recruiting part-time museum assistants. For more details visit roaldahl.com/global/jobs/museum

Useful websites

museumjobs.com
nationaltrustjobs.org.uk
teachfirst.org.uk
Creative Skillset screenskills.com
nationalarchives.gov.uk
The Library and Information Association
cilip.org.uk
archaeologyuk.org
The Historical Association at history.org.uk
has some excellent ideas for careers in history.

Notes for the Diary

BCA Open Evening
Wednesday 4th May 5.00pm-7.30pm

Aylesbury College Open Day
Saturday 7th May 10am-1pm

**Basingstoke College of Technology
Future Skills Centre Open Event**
Monday 9th May 4pm-7.30pm