

Further Education Events News - April 2026

Register online for upcoming open events. Visit colleges and sixth forms in-person and through their virtual events and video tours.

Further information can be found on the Thamesmead School website:

<https://www.thamesmead.surrey.sch.uk/students/careers/careers-calendar/>

Regular updates are posted on the student Teams page "Careers Advice for Students" and follow us on X @ThamesmeadSch. Students can use the Careers Library in the Resources Centre where college prospectuses and careers information are available.

In Year 11 it is recommended to make at least 2 or 3 applications to Colleges/Sixth Forms as your final decision will be determined by your GCSE results. Please be aware that some Colleges have strict application deadlines, and submitting applications early gives students the best chance of securing a place on their preferred courses.

If you would like to apply for an apprenticeship, please refer to the links at the bottom of this newsletter.

Here is what's happening at our local Colleges and Sixth Forms:

Berkshire College of Agriculture www.bca.ac.uk

Hall Place, Burchetts Green, Maidenhead SL6 6QR

Bishop Wand 6th Form <https://www.bishopwand.surrey.sch.uk/285/welcome-to-the-sixth-form>

Layton's Lane, Sunbury-on-Thames

Brooklands Technical College www.brooklands.ac.uk

Heath Road, Weybridge KT13 8TT and Stanwell Road, Ashford.

Open event:

Wednesday 27th April 2026, 4.30-7.00pm, Weybridge Campus, register:

<https://www.brooklands.ac.uk/event/april-open-event/>

Esher College www.esh.ac.uk/

Weston Green Road, Thames Ditton KT7 0JB

Sign up to their Year 10 mailing list: <https://www.esh.ac.uk/>

Year 10 Open Evening for entry September 2027:

Wednesday 8th July 2026 - <https://www.esh.ac.uk/admissions/open-events/>

Take a virtual tour: <https://www.esher.ac.uk/the-college/college-tour/>

Guildford College <https://guildford.activatelearning.ac.uk/>

Stoke Road, Guildford GU1 1EZ

Open Event:

Wednesday 22nd April 2026, 4.30-7.00pm register:

<https://guildford.activatelearning.ac.uk/events/detail/guildford-college-april-open-event/>

Halliford School Sixth Form <https://www.hallifordschool.co.uk/sixth-form/>

Russell Road, Shepperton

View their prospectus or enjoy the videos recorded by the Heads of Departments. Take a virtual visit:

<https://www.hallifordschool.co.uk/virtual-visit-to-the-sixth-form-at-halliford-school/>

Heathside School Sixth Form <https://www.heathside.surrey.sch.uk/sixth-form/46.html>

Brooklands Lane, Weybridge KT13 8UZ

Open Event:

Thursday 5th November 2026, 5.00-7.30pm for September 2027 entry.

Kingston College <https://stcg.ac.uk/kingston-college>

Kingston Hall Road, Kingston KT1 2AQ

Logic Studio School Sixth Form <https://www.logicstudioschool.org/>

Browells Lane, Feltham TW13 7EF

Merrist Wood College <https://merristwood.activatelearning.ac.uk/>

Worplesdon, Guildford GU3 3PE

Open Event:

Wednesday 6th May 2026, 4.30-7pm register:

<https://merristwood.activatelearning.ac.uk/events/detail/merrist-wood-college-may-open-event/>

Richmond upon Thames College www.rutc.ac.uk

Langhorn Drive, Twickenham

Parents' tour:

Wednesday 13th May, 5.45-7.30pm register:

<https://www.rutc.ac.uk/news-events/events/event/74-parents-tour>

Open Event:

Tuesday 16th June, 4.00-7.00pm register:

<https://www.rutc.ac.uk/news-events/events/event/67-open-event>

Find out more about the differences between A levels and vocational qualifications as well as information on apprenticeships.

Take a look at their new college building with a 360 virtual tour.

<https://www.rutc.ac.uk/about-us/virtual-tour.html>

Salesian College <https://salesian.surrey.sch.uk/college/>

Highfield Road, Chertsey KT16 8BX

Salesian College now offer T-Levels in Education and Childcare and in Digital Production, Design and Development.

Strode's Sixth Form College <https://www.strodes-windsor.ac.uk/>

High Street, Egham

Open event:

Thursday 2nd July 2026, 4.30-7.00pm register:

<https://www.strodes.ac.uk/information/open-days-events/detail/strodes-college-february-open-evening-2nd-july-2026/>

St Paul's Sixth Form <https://www.st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk/Sixth-Form/>

Manor Lane, Sunbury-on-Thames

Three Rivers Academy Sixth Form <https://www.threeriversacademy.org/Sixth-Form/>

Bell Farm Way, Hersham KT12 5EJ

West Thames College www.west-thames.ac.uk

London Road, Isleworth & Boundaries Road, Feltham Skills Centre.

Open event: Isleworth Campus (main campus)

Wednesday 17th June, 5.00-6.30pm register online:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/west-thames-college>

Feltham Campus for Construction, Engineering, Logistics and Motor Vehicle courses.

Tuesday 23rd June 2026, 5.00-6.30pm register online:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/west-thames-college>

Take a virtual tour: www.west-thames.ac.uk/about-us/our-campuses

Woking College www.woking.ac.uk

Rydens Way, Woking GU22 9DL

Summer Open Evening:

Wednesday 10th June 2026, time TBC

Learn more about the courses and the subjects you may wish to study from their dedicated teachers:

<https://woking.ac.uk/meet-the-teachers-and-taster-lessons/>

GCSE Exam Boards for College Applications:

<https://www.thamesmead.surrey.sch.uk/careers/applications-personal-statements/>

Apprenticeships. These websites are a useful resource if you are interested in an apprenticeship:

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com>

<https://www.gov.uk/become-apprentice>

<https://www.ucas.com/apprenticeships>

<https://mitskills.com/apprenticeships/>

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

T-levels. This website is a useful resource if you are interested in Technical Levels:

<https://www.tlevels.gov.uk/>

Springpod Virtual Work Experience programmes:

<https://www.springpod.com/virtual-work-experience> including virtual-to-reality work experiences.

Further Information:

Course Pilot is a nationwide course directory and career guidance tool. Our aim is to assist as many users as possible in finding their perfect course to progress towards their chosen career:

<https://coursepilot.co.uk/>

National Careers Service: <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>

Careers A to Z - Most pages have a video link to watch <https://www.planitplus.net/JobProfiles/>

Prospects - Find out about different types of jobs <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/careers-advice/what-can-i-do-with-my-degree>

Going to Uni <https://www.ucas.com/>

Not Going to Uni <https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk>

Gap year <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/jobs-and-work-experience/gap-year>

Technician careers:

<https://www.technicians.org.uk/>



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