

# Ely College Careers Newsletter

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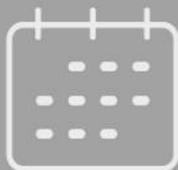
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Welcome to the second issue of Ely College’s Careers Newsletter. The aim of this newsletter is to keep you — students, parents and carers, updated with all things careers.

This newsletter is for **you**, so please get in touch with any questions or topics that you would find useful for future issues. We welcome any feedback and ideas, so, please keep in touch by contacting either **CEIAG@elycollege.co.uk** OR **SNorman@elycollege.co.uk**



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Summer Open Days

Long Road—22nd & 23rd June 17.00-21.00 (TBC)

Cambridge Regional College—24th June 16.30 -19.00

Hills Road—10th July (times TBC)

The Oakes—30th June

### Autumn Open Days/ Evenings

Bishop Laney—20th October

Impington—21st October

Comberton—3rd November

Comberton—TBC

Cambridge Regional College—23rd June

The Oakes—W/C 5th July OR W/C 12th July

### Year 11 Welcome Days

The Oakes—21st June (parents) & 22nd June (students)

Long Road—24th & 25th June

Cambridge Regional College—3 days commencing 28th June

Comberton—29th & 30th June

Hills Road—15th & 16th July



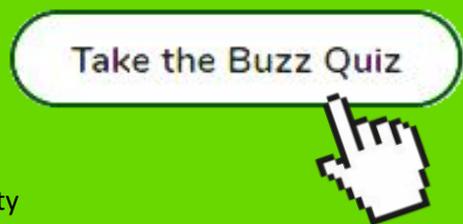
Lots of students are unsure about their future career path and it can often feel scary when somebody asks ‘what do you want to do when you’re older?’ This is where quizzes like the iCould Buzz Quiz can come in handy! Some examples of the questions it asks are...

I generally act quickly	or	I generally act carefully
I'm a good talker	or	I'm a good listener
I prefer to stand out	or	I prefer to blend in
I tend to work best in groups	or	I tend to work best alone or in pairs

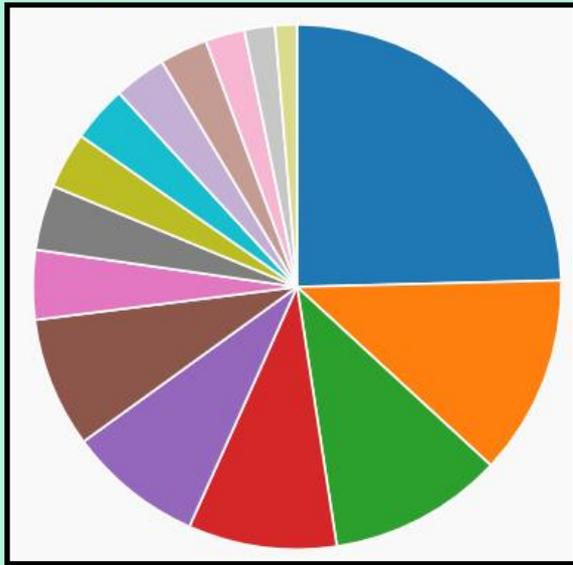
The quiz focuses on big chunks of your personality to put you into a category. It then uses easy to remember animals to categorise you based on your characteristics. Research suggests people tend to prefer jobs and tasks that match their natural strengths, so by doing the quiz, it can give you career ideas based on the answers you give.

It will tell you things such as:

- Your strengths and qualities
- Tips for you
- Popular jobs for your personality type
- Famous people with the same personality



# unifrog



Arts and Media	92
Science and Technology	46
Medicine and Health	40
Plants, Land and Animals	34
Hospitality, Tourism and Sport	31
Law and Public safety	30
Education and Training	16
Construction and Architecture	15
Human services and Admin	13
Sales, Marketing and Publishing	13
Manufacturing and Engineering	12
Transport and Logistics	11
Business and Finance	9
Social services	7
Maintenance, Service and Repair	5

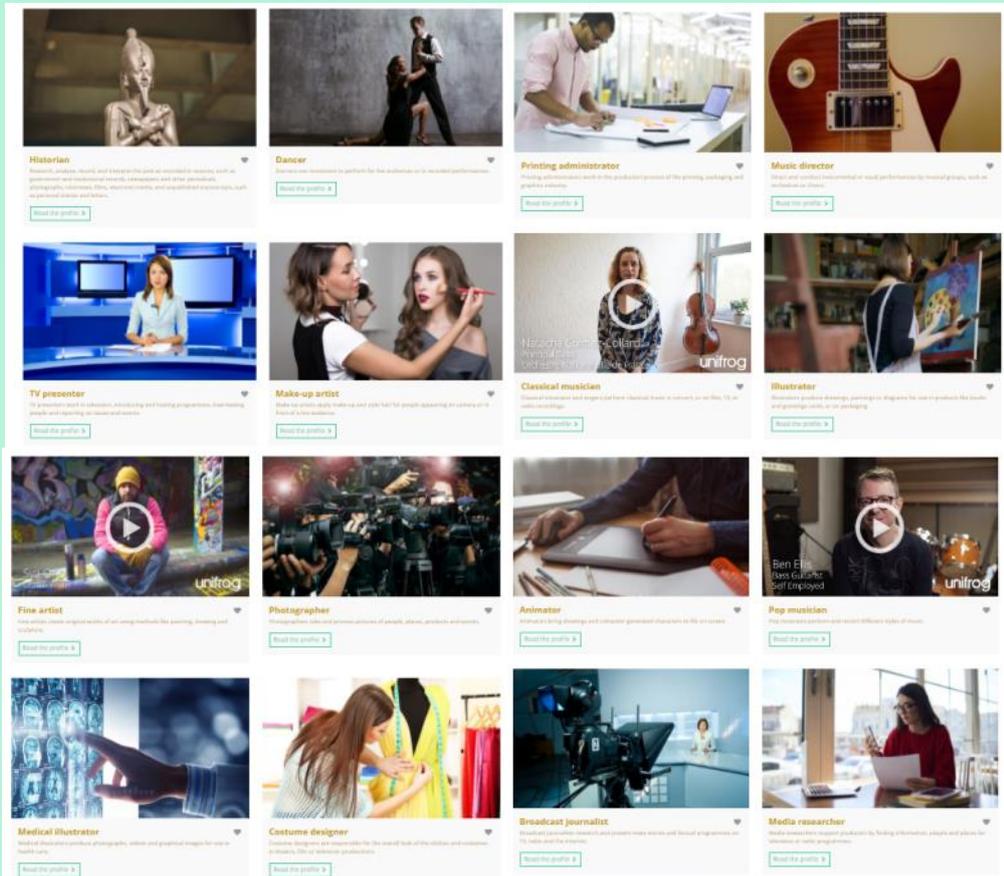
Based on the data taken from each Ely College student's Unifrog accounts, the top 5 Career Areas for the last 12 weeks are:

- 1. Arts and Media**
- 2. Science and Technology**
- 3. Medicine and Health**
- 4. Plants, Land and Animals**
- 5. Hospitality, Tourism and Sport**

Here are just **some** of the examples of jobs in the Arts and Media sector that can be found by exploring the Unifrog careers library tool:

- Makeup Artist
- Dancer
- TV Presenter
- Animator
- Medical Illustrator
- Classical Musician

You can also explore careers based on sectors by going to Prospects ([here](#)) and the National Careers Service ([here](#)).



# WHAT ARE YOUR OPTIONS?

LEVEL  
**4+**

HIGHER EDUCATION QUALIFICATION (UNIVERSITY LEVEL)  
E.G. BACHELORS DEGREE, FOUNDATION DEGREE, DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP

LEVEL  
**3**

"TRADITIONAL LEARNING"  
E.G. A-LEVELS

VOCATIONAL LEARNING  
E.G. BTECS, T-LEVELS

ADVANCED APPRENTICESHIP

LEVEL  
**2**

5 OR MORE GRADE 9-4  
★ GCSEs  
LESS THAN 5 GRADE 9-4

INTERMEDIATE APPRENTICESHIP

LEVEL  
**1**

LEVEL 1 OR 2 COURSE AT COLLEGE & RETAKE ENGLISH AND MATHS

**A-Levels:** a traditionally academic route, usually requires a grade 6 in the GCSE subjects to be able to study the A-Level curriculum

**Vocational Courses:** full-time courses that provide a practical approach by applying learning to real life situation

**T-Levels:** equivalent to 3 A-Levels—80% of the course is in the classroom, 20% in a meaningful industry placement

**Apprenticeships:** employed to do a real job while studying for a qualification, usually one day a week at a college or training centre

**Traineeships:** skills development programme that includes an unpaid work placement, lasting from 6 weeks up to a year

Click on the logos below to view the websites of the local post-16 providers:



# WORK EXPERIENCE

The Covid-19 pandemic ruined a lot of the plans for work experience, so here are just some opportunities that you may want to apply for on an individual basis!



**Monday 5 – Friday 9 July**  
**Monday 12 – Friday 16 July**  
**Monday 26 – Friday 30 July**

One-week Work Experience placements for students at school or college, aged 15 or above, will be available:

**To apply:**  
 Please send a short CV and cover letter to Dale Copley - [dcopley@cambridgeartstheatre.com](mailto:dcopley@cambridgeartstheatre.com)

Tell us:

- Any relevant experience you already have.
- Why you are interested in doing Work Experience at Cambridge Arts Theatre.

Deadline for applications: Monday 19



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Virtual Work Experience gives you a unique opportunity to gain work experience in a company that you might not normally get access to while highlighting the essential skills you might need.

You'll get to see the inner workings of a 'digital transformation' agency, and actively work with different departments on one exciting project, helping them solve problems and complete real-life tasks.

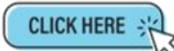
As part of the experience you'll also see lots of tips as well as links through to other LifeSkills content.



**Springpod** is a free careers network for young people looking to discover their future career. It gives you the right tools to connect with leading UK organisations, explore different career paths and build your network even before you leave school.



Immerse yourself in our friendly, diverse and welcoming community for two or three action-packed days. We'll help you see if you've got leadership potential and give you the chance to challenge yourself on some client projects. If you've not chosen a career yet, but you know you want to do something that makes a difference, this is a great place to start.



The Queen Elizabeth Hospital has partnered with Medic Mentor, the UK's largest medical family, to provide free live virtual work experience to any student in the UK wanting to become a doctor, dentist or vet. This work experience programme is completely unique because unlike other virtual work experience programmes, it is LIVE



## Apprenticeships Notice Board

*(Click on each apprenticeship for more information)*

- [Equine Groom Apprenticeship](#)
- [Apprentice Deli/Café Assistant](#)
- [Telecommunications Engineer Apprentice](#)
- [Early Years Childcare & Education Apprentice](#)
- [Hairdressing Apprentice](#)
- [Apprentice Dental Nurse](#)
- [Customer Service and Logistics Apprentice](#)
- [Apprentice Recruitment Consultant](#)
- [Business Administration Apprentice](#)
- [Property Maintenance Operative](#)
- [Apprentice Plasterer](#)
- [Apprentice IT Support Technician](#)
- [Apprentice Early Years Practitioner](#)
- [Apprentice Bicycle Mechanic](#)
- [Optical Assistant Apprenticeship](#)
- [Apprentice Assistant Accountant](#)
- [Estate Agent Apprentice](#)

# Career Guidance Appointments

## Years 10 and 11

While many year 11 students have already made their post-16 applications, **if you have not yet had a career guidance meeting with Miss Norman and would like one, please speak to your form tutor or email [SNorman@elycollege.co.uk](mailto:SNorman@elycollege.co.uk)**

Career guidance meetings for **year 10** students will begin **in the next week**. Please look out for the appointment reminder slip that you can see above. This will tell you when and where your appointment will take place.

Please don't worry about this meeting—it is a chance for you to speak to Miss Norman about your career and post-16 options. After your meeting you will be sent an action plan (you can see the template below):

This action plan will include notes from the meeting, useful links to courses and other websites, from what was discussed in the meeting and some action points to help you on your career journey (if you come up with any in the meeting).

**YEAR 11 NOTICE:** A reminder that you need to accept offers from colleges and sixth forms that have made offers. You can accept as many offers as you want and make a decision when you receive your results. If you have not yet had a guidance meeting with your chosen post-16 provider, please let Miss Norman know.

APPOINTMENT REMINDER

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_



– Career Guidance Action Plan Ely College

Where are you now? <small>(class, research, grades, etc)</small>	Where would you like to be?
↓	
Career Actions : : :	

If you have any questions, please email me at [snorman@elycollege.co.uk](mailto:snorman@elycollege.co.uk)



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