



# CONNECTIONS

*Connecting parents and guardians with careers*

**YC Careers News | Term 2**



### Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

As this half term comes to a close, let's take a moment to reflect on the busy and inspiring experiences shared by students, staff, and visitors at Yeovil College. From all of us at the College, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

### Campus Redevelopment

Yeovil College is currently undergoing a campus wide redevelopment project, and we specifically chose BAM as our contractor because they could deliver this work without any disruption to current students. Teaching and learning is not impacted by the build. There will be no temporary classrooms and buildings will not be removed until the new building is finished, meaning students will seamlessly transition from their current learning environment to brand new facilities. For more information, please read this [brochure](#).

### Peru

We are thrilled to announce the Peru Trek Expedition 2026 with Camps International. In January, there will be an online call discussing Trek details, how to join, and financial and fundraising implications. Please join us online at one of the following events:

- Online parents' presentation 6.30pm Tuesday 4th Feb.
- Online student fundraising meeting 4.00pm Thursday 13th February.

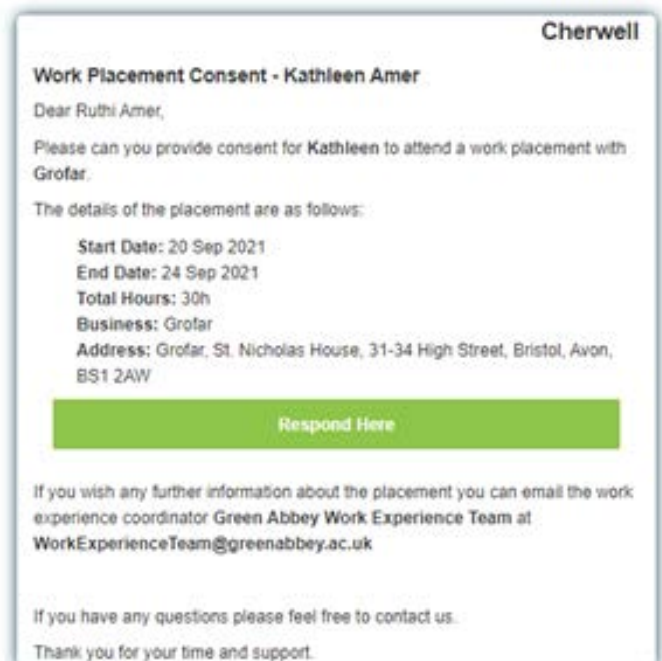
Links to the events will be shared in early January.

### Careers Hub

It has been a busy half term at the Yeovil College Careers Hub! A key role the Careers Hub plays is supporting learners in finding Industry Placements and work experience. For example, our T Level learners work with over 100 employers, such as IQD Frequency, Leonardo, The National Trust, Yeovil District Hospital and Masters Recycling. Learners can record this on Grofar.

### What is Grofar?

Grofar is the online platform learners use during their time at Yeovil College to track their work placement, log allcareers activities, access careers resources and view Labour Market Intelligence. Parents/Guardians may receive an email from Grofar asking for confirmation that they approve the work experience placement. The consent form also asks whether the learner has any additional requirements, health requirements or learning needs that the employer should be aware of. Please do contact the Careers and Work Placement Team if you have any questions or concerns about a work experience placement.



## Half-Term Rewind

Let us rewind everything we have celebrated this half term. Kicking off with National T Levels Celebration Week; Yeovil College took part by sharing T Level success stories across our social media channels, as well as offering [T Truths](#) and [T Treats](#) to our learners. Click the linked words to watch our TikTok videos, including a Week In The Life of an Electrotechnical Engineering T Level [learner](#).

On Thursday 21st November 2024 at Westlands Entertainment Venue, we honoured our incredible Yeovil College University Centre Class of 2024 with a fantastic graduation. Congratulations to our 2024 graduates! Remember, it is never too early for your learner to begin thinking about their post 18 options. Some believe there isn't a University in South Somerset, but ours is right here! Read [here](#) for more details.

## Tutorial Programme

During their time at Yeovil College, learners took part in a weekly tutorial programme focused on Healthy Relationships, with sessions covering respectful relationships, consent, contraception and parenthood, ending relationships, and domestic violence. Our student support team are always available for learners.

## Dates For Diaries

### Parents' Evening -

Thursday 30th January 2025 4:30-6pm.

### Apprenticeship & Careers Fair -

Wednesday 12th February 5-7:30pm.

This fair gives students the opportunity to speak with over 50 local employers and universities from a variety of sectors, focusing on careers, next steps, and apprenticeships.

## Support

If you would like to discuss work experience or next steps for your young person, please contact the Careers and Work Placement Team on [CareersHub@yeovil.ac.uk](mailto:CareersHub@yeovil.ac.uk) or look at resources on our website on the [Careers Hub page](#).

## Resources for the Holidays

To discover more about careers opportunities, next steps and to better understand which careers might suit your young person next steps, as well as develop your thinking a little bit further, there are some fabulous resources available to you:

**The Buzz Quiz** – A quick personality quiz designed to increase your awareness of your natural strengths:

<https://www.northeastambition.co.uk/buzz-quiz>

**National Careers Service** – Explore Careers. Choose from over 800 career profiles to discover what a job involves:

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>

**Research the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS):**

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

**Institute of Apprenticeships & Technical Education:**

<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/occupational-maps/>

**Barclays Life Skills:**

<https://barclayslifeskills.com/>



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