



# CONNECTIONS

YC Careers News | October Edition

## Welcome

Welcome back to Connections, our monthly newsletter where we share careers-based information, useful updates and event news. We hope you have had a strong start to this academic year! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Careers, Employability and Work Placement Team at [CareersHub@yeovil.ac.uk](mailto:CareersHub@yeovil.ac.uk) or the School Connections team at [SchoolConnections@yeovil.ac.uk](mailto:SchoolConnections@yeovil.ac.uk)



## Reminder: Support for Learner Destination & NEET

Schools should have received enrolment data from the School Connections Team, which will support finding learner destinations and combat NEET. Updated data should be released after 13th October, day 42.

We hope this is helpful. If there's individual learner concerns, please continue to contact [SchoolConnections@yeovil.ac.uk](mailto:SchoolConnections@yeovil.ac.uk)



## Apprenticeship Team Offer

Alongside our general school offer, the Apprenticeship team at Yeovil College would like to extend an offer to visit schools this year.

The team visit local businesses and Yeovil Town Centre to provide information on apprenticeships as well as attend assessment days for companies such as Leonardo and Honeywell.

During National Apprenticeship Week in February 2025, the team were very popular with students when visiting schools. National Apprenticeship Week 2026 is in February, but by spring, bigger companies such as Leonardo will have already closed their application window. If you are interested in having the team visit your school, whether for an assembly, workshop or simply an information stand at breaktime/lunchtime in the library, then please contact:

[SchoolConnections@yeovil.ac.uk](mailto:SchoolConnections@yeovil.ac.uk).

## Rotational Business Apprenticeship – opportunity for learners

Yeovil College's successful Rotational Business Apprenticeship scheme is now open for applications! The programme works so that every 7 months, apprentices will work in a new department across Yeovil College, such as HR, Finance, IT, Marketing and more. Apprentices will gain experience in:

- Customer service, HR & communications
- Event planning & coordination
- Social media & marketing
- IT systems & spreadsheets
- Office administration, and more!

Open to School and College/Sixth Form leavers. Apply by Monday 24th November (you can also apply to Yeovil College). Assessment Centre: 2nd December. Apprenticeships start August 2026.

### Hydrogen Lab Opening

Yeovil College has launched England's first Hydrogen Lab. The YC H2 LAB will provide advanced hydrogen training, covering safety, storage, and fuel cells for transport. The official opening takes place on 24th October, with further details to follow.

### Events

#### Somerset Careers Fair

We will be at the Somerset Careers Fair on Thursday 9th October 2025. Every subject will have an interactive stand which students can take part in, as well as general information, careers, university and apprenticeship support, in fact, we have taken over the entire bar!

#### October Open Event

Our first open event of the year will be held on Thursday 16th October, 5-7:30pm! If your students are interested, they can find out more and register [here](#).

#### November Open Event

Thursday 20th November 5-7:30pm. This will be another opportunity for learners to explore our offer, however this open event also marks a milestone in Yeovil College's ambitious £60+ million Big Build project, which includes the development of a Sports Centre Construction Centre, a Hydrogen Lab, and a new teaching Centre – as students will have the opportunity to explore the Sports centre and view and almost complete Construction Centre. All part of a bold vision to fully transform the campus by 2027.

Students can register to attend [here](#).

#### High Needs, SEND and EHCP Support Open Event

Thursday 4th December 2025, 5pm to 6.30 - a focused event for young people with Specialist Needs, High Needs, SEND, or an EHCP, designed to help young people explore tailored study options. Students can register to attend [here](#).

### Football Development Days – October Half Term

Football Development Days return this October Half Term! Perfect for Year 11s interested in Performance Football at Yeovil College - train with our coaches and build your skills. Please share with learners who may be interested.

- Female Development Day: Tuesday 28th October 2025, 10.00am-12.30pm
- Male Development Day: Wednesday 29th October 2025, 10.00am-12.30pm

They can register their interest through this link: [Yeovil College Performance Football Development Day October 2025](#).



### National T Level Week 2025 Celebrations

National T Level Week is 13th-17th October 2025, and we are celebrating everything T Level qualifications have to offer. One successful story we're sharing in this edition is from Jack Hodgson, a T Level in Building Services Electrotechnical Engineering student, previously from Sturminster Newton High School:

*"My T Level has been a really good experience because it gives a nice balance between classroom learning and actual work. The split means I get to learn the theory but also put it into practice, which has helped me build skills and feel more confident about the future. I've also made some great friends along the way, and the lecturers are really supportive, which makes the course even better."*

*"I've been doing my placement with Heritage Electrical Solutions Limited, and it's been a really good experience. The best part is getting to work on listed buildings, which makes the jobs feel a lot more interesting and different. I've learned loads by actually being on site and trying things out, and the team has been really supportive. It's made me feel like this is definitely the career path I want to stick with, and I'd be happy to work with them in the future."*



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