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**Careers events calendar 2020/21**

**Developed by Solihull Careers Hub**

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| **Year-round projects** | | |
| Energy Quest: Energiser Workshop  *Key Stage 3 STEM Workshop* | Booking required. Two workshops run in school focusing on exploration of energy generation, sustainability and technologies | energyquest@bydesign-group.co.uk  or call 01827 316297 |
| Energy Quest: The Bright Ideas Challenge  *STEM Challenge* | Cross curricular competition. Students imagine innovative solutions to power cities of the future. Prizes and resources available | https://www.shell.co.uk/sustainability/society/supporting-stem/bright-ideas-challenge.html |
| Greenpower Electric Car Challenge | Greenpower inspire young people around the world to excel in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths through a unique challenge: to design, build and race an electric car. | https://www.greenpower.co.uk/ |
| Step into the NHS Competition | Students to choose an NHS career that interests them and create a job description and an advert. Students can work on their own or in teams of up to four. | https://www.stepintothenhs.nhs.uk/schools |
| BASE Business and Accounting Competition  *16-17 year olds* | An exciting experience where students take part in team challenges; giving them an understanding of what it’s like to be an ICAEW Chartered Accountant whilst developing their key employability skills. | https://careers.icaew.com/campaigns/base-competition |
| Tomorrow’s Engineers EEP Robotics Challenge | Student teams learn how to build, program and control autonomous LEGO robots to complete a series of short, exciting missions using LEGO® MINDSTORMS® Education EV3 sets. Activities can be run with your team outside the classroom or during lessons. | https://robotics.tomorrowsengineers.org.uk/the-challenge/entering-the-challenge/ |

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| **September** | | | |
| 14th – 20th | National Coding Week  *Upskilling staff and parents* | Opportunity to raise the profile of coding. Children are learning digital skills in school or through coding clubs such as CoderDojo. We therefore would like these clubs to open their doors to parents for a one-off session in which the children will teach the adults some of the skills they have learnt | https://codingweek.org/ |
| 29th – 30th | West National Apprenticeship Show  *Cheltenham Racecourse* | Bringing together employers, colleges and providers with those wanting to find out more about what apprenticeships can offer. | https://www.nationalapprenticeshipshow.org/ |
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| **October** | | | |
| 4th – 10th | World Space Week | World Space Week is the largest space event on Earth. More than 8,000 events in 96 countries celebrated “The Moon: Gateway to the Stars” last year. This year the theme is “Satellites Improve Life.” | https://www.worldspaceweek.org/ |
| 6th – 7th | Yorkshire National Apprenticeship Show  *Doncaster Racecourse* | Bringing together employers, colleges and providers with those wanting to find out more about what apprenticeships can offer. | https://www.nationalapprenticeshipshow.org/ |
| 7th | National Skills Day |  |  |
| 12th – 16th | Digital Leaders week | A chance for schools to invite in employers from the digital sector to raise awareness of the careers within this area. | https://digileaders.com/week/ |
| 13th – 14th | North West National Apprenticeship Show  *Eventcity, Manchester* | Bringing together employers, colleges and providers with those wanting to find out more about what apprenticeships can offer. | https://www.nationalapprenticeshipshow.org/ |
| 27th | National Mentoring Day | Opportunity to raise the profile of mentoring for young people and to encourage more people to sign up to be mentors. | www.nationalmentoringday.org |
| TBC | Love Our Colleges Week | The Love Our Colleges campaign is an opportunity to highlight the brilliant work that goes on in colleges, and the brilliant staff that make it all possible. | https://loveourcolleges.co.uk/ |
| TBC | Rail Week | A dedicated week of activity which aims to address the skills shortage in rail-related roles and inspire a generation of young people through a series of events, visits and talks. | https://www.railweek.com/ |
| **November** | | | |
| 2nd – 6th | Tomorrow’s Engineers Week | Themed week of events and resources on engineering. Downloadable toolkits and resources available. | https://tomorrowsengineers.org.uk/tomorrows-engineers-week-2019/ |
| 16th – 22nd | Global Entrepreneurship Week | Thousands of events and competitions in 170 countries inspire millions to engage in entrepreneurial activity. | https://www.genglobal.org/gew |
| 19th – 21st | World Skills Live  *NEC Birmingham* | The UK’s largest interactive apprenticeships, skills and careers event. This event is divided into four areas, each providing a focus on particular industry sectors:  - Construction & Infrastructure  - Health, Hospitality & Lifestyle  - Digital, Business & Creative  - Engineering & Technology | https://www.worldskillsuk.org/directions/worldskills-uk-live |
| 23rd- 24th | National Careers Leaders Conference  *Derby* | Conference for Careers Leaders | https://www.thecdi.net/Home |
| 27th – 28th | Skills London  *15-24 year olds and their families* | Skills London is the UK’s biggest jobs and careers event provides young people with the opportunity to find inspiration and make that life-changing connection, while enabling organisations to spark a connection with their future talent. | https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/skills-london-2020-school-college-registration-tickets-97729177601 |
| TBC  *Usually last week* | Takeover Challenge | Puts children and young people into real-life decision-making positions in organisations. Children gain a valuable insight and gain experience of a workplace, while organisations benefit from a fresh perspective on their work. | https://www.firstcareers.co.uk/takeover-challenge/ |
| TBC | BIMA Digital Day | Linking industry professionals with schools and Colleges to raise awareness of the opportunities for young people in the digital sector | https://www.bimadday.org.uk/school |
| TBC | Discover Creative Careers Week | A week dedicated to celebrating creative careers. | https://discovercreative.careers/#/ |
| TBC | #iwill campaign | The #iwill campaign wants to make participation in social action the norm for young people under 20. | https://www.iwill.org.uk/ |
| **December** | | | |
| 5th | International Volunteers Day | Opportunity to raise the profile of volunteering, volunteering can also be a good way for people to get into employment through learning the skills needed for the world of work. | https://www.un.org/en/observances/volunteer-day |
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| **January** | | | |
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| 27th – 28th | South West National Apprenticeship Show  *Sandy Park, Exeter* | Bringing together employers, colleges and providers with those wanting to find out more about what apprenticeships can offer. | https://www.nationalapprenticeshipshow.org/ |
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| **February** | | | |
| 8th – 9th | AoC Annual Conference and Exhibition  *ICC Birmingham* | The Association of Colleges annual conference and exhibition for college leaders. | https://www.aoc-services.co.uk/events\_and\_training/aoc-annual-conference-and-exhibition-2020/ |
| 11th | International Day of Women and Girls in Science | International awareness to recognise the critical role women and girls play in science and technology. Each year there is a different theme. | https://www.un.org/en/observances/women-and-girls-in-science-day |
| 8th – 14th | National Apprenticeship Week | An annual week-long celebration of apprenticeships across England and is a time to recognise and applaud apprenticeship success stories across the country. | https://amazingapprenticeships.com/naw2021/ |
| TBC | STEM Club Week |  | https://www.stem.org.uk/news-and-views/news/stem-clubs-week-here |
| **March** | | | |
| 1st – 5th | National Careers Week | A celebration of careers guidance and free resources in education across the UK. The aim is to provide a focus for careers guidance activity at an important stage in the academic calendar to help support young people leaving education. | https://nationalcareersweek.com/ |
| 2nd | National Career Guidance Show | The National Career Guidance Show offers free CPD, in an informal setting, to careers advisers, learning and development managers, teachers and practitioners working across all sectors. Across four shows, over 200 exhibition stands and over 40 seminars provide professionals with unbeatable access to up-to-date information to support their clients, as well as important networking opportunities | https://prospectsevents.co.uk/our-events/national-career-guidance-show/ncgs-london-2020/ |
| 2nd – 3rd | London & SE National Apprenticeship Show  *Sandown Park* | Bringing together employers, colleges and providers with those wanting to find out more about what apprenticeships can offer. | https://www.nationalapprenticeshipshow.org/ |
| 5th – 6th | What Careers Live? What University Live?  *Birmingham* | Explore a range of talks across four different advice theatres. Get more information on student life, choosing your career, working in a certain industry or company, support available and much more. | https://www.whatcareerlive.co.uk/birmingham |
| 10th | UK Career Development Awards  *Leeds* | Dinner and award presentations | https://www.thecdi.net/UK-Career-Development-Awards-2020 |
| 15th - 16th | Central National Apprenticeship Show  *Marshall Arena (formally Arena MK)* | Bringing together employers, colleges and providers with those wanting to find out more about what apprenticeships can offer. | https://www.nationalapprenticeshipshow.org/ |
| TBC | Big Bang Fair |  | https://www.thebigbangfair.co.uk/ |
| TBC | British Science Week | Events, school projects, challenges. Grants, support and resources available. | https://www.britishscienceweek.org/ |
| TBC | Open Doors: Get into Construction | A unique chance for you to see behind the scenes at major ‘live’ construction sites across England, Scotland and Wales. | https://opendoors.construction/ |
| **April** | | | |
| TBC | UK Fin Tech Week | Online events, showcasing the finance sector. | https://www.innovatefinance.com/ukfintechweek/ |
| TBC | English Tourism Week | Opportunity to promote jobs within the tourism sector and invite in local tourism employers/employees. | https://www.visitbritain.org/english-tourism-week |
| **May** | | | |
| TBC | National Skills Days | A great chance for staff, students and parents to show their skills. | https://nationalcareersweek.com/national-skills-days/ |
| **June** | | | |
| 1st – 7th | Volunteers Week | Volunteers’ Week is an annual celebration of the contribution millions of people make across the UK through volunteering. | https://volunteersweek.org/ |
| 23rd | International Women in Engineering Day | International awareness campaign to raise the profile of women in engineering and focus attention on the amazing career opportunities available to girls in this industry. | http://www.inwed.org.uk/ |
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| **July** | | | |
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