

CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This term saw an inspiring range of careers engagements at Wimbledon College, giving students across all year groups the chance to see what their futures might hold. Through hands-on experiences and insights into a variety of industries, they explored opportunities in entrepreneurship, heritage, events, university life, apprenticeships, and the armed forces. Each engagement offered them a moment to reflect on the pathways open to them beyond school.

National Careers Week

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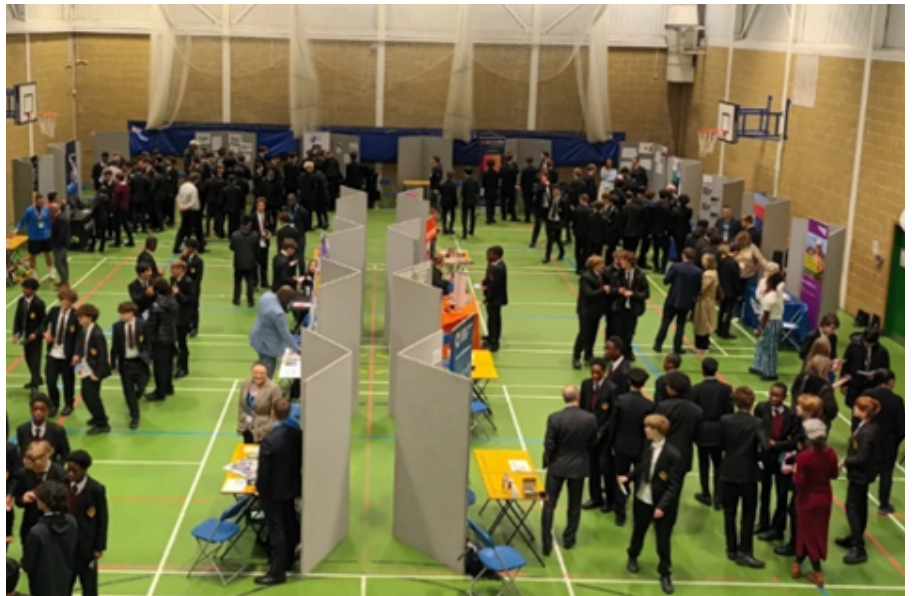
Careers and Future Options Fair

During National Careers Week, students from every year group enjoyed an inspiring **Careers and Future Options Fair**, featuring over 30 stands.

They met professionals from across a wide range of fields, explored exciting opportunities, and discovered just how many paths are open to them.

The fair brought home an important message: the more you know about your options, the better prepared you are to make confident decisions about your future.

A huge thank you to our OWs and to current and former parents who generously shared their time and expertise to make this event such a success.





Figures (Year 7) joined a Leadership and Teamwork Challenge with the **Royal Navy**, focusing on building leadership, teamwork and communication skills. They also learned about different apprenticeships and career paths in the Royal Navy, gaining a deeper understanding of the importance of problem-solving, and resilience.



Poetry (Year 12) students with an interest in property development spent an afternoon at the **Barratt London** Sterling Place marketing suite and show home. They explored the journey of a property from inception to completion, gaining insight into the planning, construction and sales processes. This experience broadened their understanding of the wide range of careers within the property sector, helping them connect their academic learning with real-world opportunities.



Lower Grammer (Year 9) attended a session with creative live events agency, **TFI Lodestar**, through the Power of Events Programme. The talk highlighted the creativity, teamwork, and careers available within the events industry, from production and performance to marketing and logistics, offering students a valuable insight into a dynamic sector.



Poetry (Year 12) A-level History students participated in a **Heritage Careers Day** delivered by the Heritage of London Trust. Part of the day was a Dragon's Den-style challenge, with the winning team earning the opportunity to represent Wimbledon College and deliver a speech at the unveiling of the Hanbury Fountain. The Careers Day allowed students to recognise how the skills and knowledge they are acquiring in history can pave the way for careers in heritage, conservation, and beyond.



Ed Heaver, co-founder of **Serve Legal**, visited our Sixth Form to talk about his career journey. He explored the highs and lows of entrepreneurship and highlighted the possibilities within business and innovation.

Poetry (Year 12) spent the day at the **Surrey University Fair**, learning about many UK universities and apprenticeship opportunities. It was a chance to explore interests and think about next steps.



Thank you to everyone who generously gave their time to help our students explore and prepare for their future careers. If you think you could support our careers programme, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please do get in touch at careers@wimbledoncollege.org.uk



During **National Apprenticeship Week**, all year groups explored apprenticeship pathways in tutor time, gaining a better understanding of the skills, qualifications, and opportunities apprenticeships can offer.

