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# NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

## Opportunities

Do you think you might have some spare time over the Christmas break? Here are some online quizzes, games and opportunities you can take part in to help you learn more about different industries and plan your future...

### Panjango online

Panjango Online allows you to explore a gamified world of work and gives your learning context/purpose by directly linking the curriculum you learn in the classroom to real world challenges.

### UCAS Career Quiz

Find your ideal job matched to your personality and a list of courses previous students studied in order to get there. The UCAS Careers Quiz can help you decide what job you should do.

### Springpod online work experiences

Navigating the world of work can be daunting and stressful. We understand, we've been through it with thousands of students, we feel your pain. Complete the Springpod experiences any time around your studies and begin your career planning now.

### UniTasterDays webinar taster sessions

These impartial videos have one key aim; to support students who are considering university to make informed future subject decisions. They feature guest speakers from a range of different universities, who are always experts in the subject being explored.

### Unibuddy

This is a platform that connects prospective and current students with each other, it's designed to help students learn about university life, and feel confident about their transition to university.

### Apprenticeship Activity Packs

These interactive activity packs have been designed for different year groups to help support students in discovering more about their career options after school or college to ensure that they make the right career choices for them.



## Career of the Week



### Transport Planner

Transport Planners develop strategies to improve travel for people and goods, while considering a wide range of issues such as safety, climate change, the economy, and the environment. They improve and manage transportation systems at local, regional, national, and international levels. Watch the video to learn more.

## Labour Market Fact

0.6% of boys in England who want to become football players make it.

91% of academy footballers end up never playing a single game as a professional.

### Source

So... If playing football professionally is your plan A, what's your plan B?



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Inspired by the spellbinding *Wicked*, only in cinemas from November 22, *Into Film* have created [a new careers resource to help students aged 12-18 unleash their magic upon the world](#). The opportunity offers learners a route to navigating the world of work, and insight into how experience and qualifications drive employability. Like Elphaba and Glinda at Shiz University, you'll develop new skills, a newfound appreciation for teamwork, and an understanding of how to realise your potential.


Whether you're just starting out or taking your learning further, [Swift Coding Clubs](#) are a great way to expand your app development skills. There's so much you can do together. Explore new technologies, build your own apps, network for career opportunities, and more. Assemble your team and you can enter Apple's [Swift Student Challenge](#)!

Unloc and Verizon Business have launched the annual [Young Entrepreneurs Challenge](#) for 2024. Now in its sixth year, the challenge is open to European entrepreneurs aged between 16-25 years old, who can submit their technology-led start-up business concept online. The winner will receive £10,000 (€12,000\*), mentorship and a technology package to launch their business.

## Employer Spotlight

"Wincanton is a leading supply chain partner for British business. A trusted partner to many of the UK's most recognisable brands and influential public bodies.

We have a number of programmes designed to grow a diverse talent pipeline and develop the future generation of Wincanton leaders and technical experts."

Read more about  [Wincanton Careers here](#).

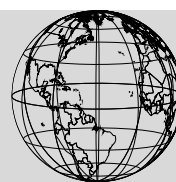
## World Spotlight

**Country:** Netherlands

**Key Links:** [Prospects Guide](#)

**Key Information:**

- The Netherlands is home to two main types of institution:
  1. Research universities - offering research-based qualifications in an academic setting at Bachelors, Masters and PhD level. There are 14 of these.
  2. Universities of Applied Science (UAS) - the country's 40 UAS institutions offer more vocational courses, focused on practical application of training and education in the arts and sciences. UAS courses offer more opportunities for internships and work experience placements.
- The grading system in the Netherlands differs from the UK's familiar system. Programmes are assessed on a 10-point scale, where one signifies very poor work and 10 denotes exceptional achievement.



## Uni Spotlight



"At Leeds, you'll gain new skills & experiences whilst taking advantage of our life-changing opportunities that will be invaluable to you, personally and professionally.

We will challenge you to explore, question and discover. Join the next generation of independent critical thinkers - shaping the world around you." Read more about [University of Leeds Courses here](#).