

Careers Newsletter - Friday 28 March 2025

What Next Sussex - Get Career Confident

What Next Sussex is back for Sussex and is due to be held on 22 May 2025. WNS is a free online careers event for all students and their families. If you are choosing what to do after your GCSEs then join WNS online for an event packed full of information and advice. You will be able to chat to colleges, universities, apprenticeship providers and careers advisors across East Sussex through live typed Chat. You will also get to see video content about different pathways available after GCSE, including options available for students with SEND. Lastly, you will find a lot of information for parents and carers.

Watch the video about the event [here](#)



WHAT NEXT SUSSEX is back for 2025!



Good Afternoon from What Next Sussex

You can register your place by clicking on this link [here](#)

[What Next Sussex 2025 - sign up here](#)

Year 10 Work Experience Update



Congratulations to our Year 10 students who completed their work experience earlier this month. We had almost every student engaged in some form of work experience and the feedback from employers and parents was very positive. Our biggest enjoyment came from our students on the Steps to Success Programme because they were all offered part time jobs for when they turn 16. Congratulations to our students for such a wonderful achievement and thank you to parents and carers for supporting your child with the programme.

We are now looking forward to launching work experience with our Year 9 students later this academic year.

Year 11 Post-16 Applications



A reminder to all Year 11 students to submit their applications through Careers East Sussex. Families of students who apply to colleges/sixth forms/education or training directly could be at risk of losing their child benefit. If you are planning to move out of the county, please do email s.bray@gildredgehouse.org.uk so this information can be sent to the student destinations team at ESCC.

Year 10 Big Futures Careers Fair



All Year 10 students will be attending The Big Futures Careers Fair on 29 April 2025. This is one of the largest Careers Fairs for students in Sussex and will be held at Eastbourne Sports Park. More information to follow.

Year 9 Eastbourne Careers Fair - Thursday 6th March

As part of Year 9's careers day, all Year 9 students attended the Eastbourne Careers Fair at the beginning of March. Students got to experience their first ever careers fair and this visit will support students to start to think about their post-16 options. Thank you to Bexhill College for sponsoring our coach to the Sports Park and thank you to parents for collecting after the event.

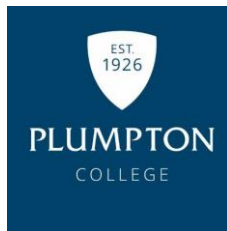


I-Can Careers Fair 2025



Year 9 students attended the I-Can Careers Fair on Monday 7 March 2024. This careers fair was designed to include students who would not benefit from attending a large and busy careers fair such as The Eastbourne Careers Fair or the Big Futures Show. Students got the opportunity to meet post-16 providers, employers, uniformed services, and organisations offering volunteering programmes for young people with SEND. There were lots of hands-on activities and students enjoyed laying roof tiles and having fun with practical activities.

Careers in Land, Agriculture and the Environment



In 2021 there were 6,439 jobs in this sector - 43% above the national average. Average salaries start at £19,000 and rise to £50,000. 692 jobs were advertised in land and environment between November 2021 and October 2022.

Some jobs in this sector are:

Winemaker, Education Officer, Archaeologist, Fisheries Manager, Nature Reserve Manager, Florist, Agricultural Mechanic, Vet Nurse, Landscape Gardener, Tree Surgeon and Environmental Protection Officer

Colleges that offer courses for this sector are:

Plumpton College

[Open for 2025 applications - Plumpton College](#)

For more local labour market information on agriculture and the environment visit [Agricultural and Environmental](#)

