

27 March 2026

Kicks Baller Series

At Brighton and Hove Albion Foundation we have launched our Free Kicks Baller Series for young people ages 14 - 18 years.

Please see the attached poster.

Egg-venture Fun Day at Broadstone Warren, Mon 6 April - Message from Scout Adventures

Families are invited to join us at Broadstone Warren for a fun-filled, Easter-themed day of outdoor adventure. For just £5 per person (free for under 5s), visitors can enjoy a wide range of activities suitable for all ages.

Included in the entry fee:

Egg hunt – follow themed clues around the site to win a chocolatey prize

Crafting – creative, Easter-inspired arts and crafts

Circus skills – try juggling or learn to use a diabolo

Target sports – take aim with archery

There will also be optional paid activities available on the day for those looking for extra adventure, as well as refreshments available to purchase.

The event is open to everyone – members and non-members alike – making it a great opportunity for families to enjoy time outdoors together.

Please see the attached poster.

Sky High/ Fun Abounds Easter Holiday Camps

We are a local Uckfield charity, Fun Abounds / Sky High Trampoline Gymnastics Academy, offering affordable, inclusive Easter Holiday Camps for children of all abilities. The camps provide fun, active sessions and valuable support for families over the break.

<https://portal.iclasspro.com/skyhightga/camps/1?sortBy=name>

Please see the attached poster.

Help Your Child Stay Safe Online - Gov.uk Guidance

[Find practical information from trusted places to help you feel more confident on the steps you can take to protect your child online.](#)

Messages from PCS Careers Team



Varndean Open Day Application Now Open

If your child would like to attend the Varndean Taster Day on **Tuesday 14 July**, please register here: <https://www.varndean.ac.uk/EVENTS/>

FAO Y10 Parents/Carers - Year 10 Taster Day at East Sussex College

Please make sure you sign up for a Taster Day with the link below:

<https://www.escg.ac.uk/whats-on/open-events/>

FAO Y10 Parents/Carers - BACA Taster Day - Message from BACA (More information to follow regarding other college taster days.)

The news from our side is big: we have hit record application numbers this year! The demand for our specialist pathways has been unprecedented, which means several of our vocational courses are now full. However, the momentum isn't slowing down. We still have limited spaces on our A Level and Level 3 Academic pathways, and with our broadest curriculum ever launching this September, we are ready to offer your students more choice, more flexibility and more opportunity than they'll find anywhere else.

We are also taking our "entrepreneurial mindset" global with some truly breathtaking, funded opportunities for our students. We are currently planning funded trips to Tanzania - where students will have the chance to summit Kilimanjaro and work on the front lines of animal conservation, helping release lions and cheetahs back into the wild - and Thailand for mountain trekking through the stunning northern territories, plus more to be announced! We believe in learning without limits and these experiences are a testament to that.

If you have any ambitious Year 11s who haven't quite decided on their "Route to Success" yet, please point them our way. They can join the movement and apply right here.

We are also counting down the days to our Year 10 Taster Day on Friday 10 July!

It's going to be an action-packed, inspiring day where students can truly see what life is like in a college that thinks differently. They'll dive into taster sessions for their favourite subjects, meet our expert industry tutors and get a feel for our world-class facilities, from our award-winning Digital Media suites to our Elite Sports Academies. They will also hear more about our funded international adventures and other unique opportunities that set BACA College apart.

Year 10 students can [grab their spot for the Taster Day here](#).

Considering Joining us at MPCT Military Academies? Message from Learning Curve Group

We have our first Keep in touch day (taster day) this Friday at 13:00-14:30 at our site in Eastbourne which is an opportunity for those who are joining us in August/September or those who are interested in joining the college, to meet with the centre managers and get a feel for what a typical day at the college is like.

Please see the attached poster.

British Army Apprenticeships - Information for Parents & Carers

Please see the attached poster.

Free Webinar - Maximising Every GCSE Mark

Students can sign up here: <https://thedegreegap.com/gcse-exams-webinar>

FAO Year 10 Parents/Carers - Supercurriculum Supercharged Year 10 Workshops - OIC Brighton

Academic Discovery Workshops at OIC Brighton (Thursdays, 4:00–6:00 pm throughout May and June) are beginning to fill up! If your child would like to join, we encourage early registration to secure a spot. Sessions are free and open to all Year 10 students.

- Thurs 7th May [Supercharged Science: Powered by Curiosity](#)
- Thurs 14th May [Global Challenges Lab: Supercharged Solutions](#)
- Thurs 21st May [Brain, Behaviour & You: Psychology Super Charged](#)
- Thurs 4th June [Mathematical Intelligence Lab: Super Charged Problem Solving](#)
- Thurs 11th June [Observatory Mission: Supercharged Horizons](#)
- Thurs 18th June [Future Economies Lab: Business Thinking, Super Charged](#)

FAO Year 10 Parents/Carers - Year 10 What Next? *SAVE THE DATE*

The PCS Careers Team are hosting the Year 10 What Next? Event on **Wednesday 29 April**. Please note this is a change to the originally advertised date. We will send through more information upon our return after the Easter break.

ESC Year 10 Taster Days - Opening Soon

Please see the attached poster.

Students can register for a place via: www.escg.ac.uk/whats-on/taster-days/



Upcoming Key Dates ([PCS School Calendar](#))

- **Friday 27 March** - Last day of term
- **Monday 30 March to Friday 10 April** - Easter break
- **Monday 13 April** - First day of term 5
- **Tuesday 14 to Tuesday 21 April** - Year 10 Mock Exams
- **Thursday 16 April** - Year 9 Vaccinations
- **Friday 17 April** - Year 7 trip to University of Brighton (Selected students)

PCS Vacancies

Current vacancies at PCS are outlined below and can be found on [our website](https://www.swale.at/vacancies) (<https://www.swale.at/vacancies>).

Safeguarding Support Officer

Start date: April 2026

Deadline for applications: Wednesday 1 April

Interview date: w/c 13 April 2026

Teacher of Art

Start date: September 2026

Deadline for applications: Monday 13 April

Interview date: w/c 20 April 2026

BRITISH ARMY APPRENTICESHIPS INFORMATION FOR PARENTS & CARERS



Is your child:

- Interested in a career in the British Army?
- Looking for an apprenticeship in roles ranging from engineering to animal care, chef to construction and more?
- Seeking an exciting career where they will be making a difference?

An apprenticeship with the British Army could be for them!

DID YOU KNOW?



Top apprenticeship employer

The British Army has been named the number 1 apprenticeship employer for the last 4 years.



Gain skills & qualifications

Apprentices develop transferable skills to support their progress in the British Army and as a civilian.



Offer 40+ apprenticeships

You can do an apprenticeship in Medical, HR, Communications, Intelligence, Combat & more.



Free healthcare & benefits

Medical/dental care, 30 days leave, cheaper accommodation and more available for apprentices.



Level 2 to degree level

Apprenticeships range from Level 2 (GCSE level) up to degree level, and are paid for by the British Army.



Travel the world

Whether you're on deployment, adventure training or competing in sports, you can travel the world.



Starting salary of £25,000+

Apprentices are paid a competitive starting salary from day 1 of basic training.



International sports

You can try new sports with dedicated time each week and the chance to compete internationally.

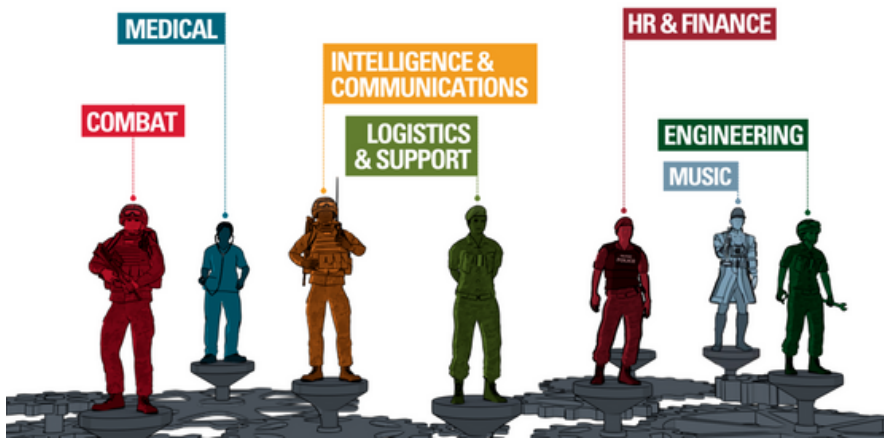


Not all roles are on the front line

There are lots of roles working alongside combat which keep the British Army functioning, such as Engineering and Communication roles.

RANGE OF APPRENTICESHIPS

There are a range of apprenticeships available across 7 different career streams:



SUCH AS:

- PRODUCTION CHEF
- RADIO NETWORK TECHNICIAN
- ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN
- BUSINESS ADMIN
- AVIATION OPERATIONS MANAGER
- VETERINARY NURSING

HEAR FROM PARENTS

“ My advice for any parents whose children are considering applying, would be to stay connected and communicate with their recruitment officer. The support and information that we were given throughout the entire process squashed all concerns, worries and doubts. Our son had a lot of work to do physically before he could go forward with his application and the support and advice that we received was amazing. They helped us throughout the entire process and as a family, this filled us with confidence to move forward and support him with the decision that he had made.

HAZEL



“ When you look at the world, you do worry. But when I speak to Oscar about those worries, he reassures me that he's going to be fine, it's his job and he's confident in what he's doing. When he's talking about Harrogate, the Army and what he's doing, he's completely different - he changes into this grown up. I'm really proud of him.

MANDY



FAQS

WILL APPRENTICES GO TO WAR / BE ON THE FRONT LINE?

Whilst it is not the day-to-day job of all soldiers (e.g. mechanics, chefs, engineers), there can be times personnel are required to serve in combat situations, such as in WW2 or Afghanistan. However, not all roles will be required or close to the front line, and all soldiers are highly trained.

DO APPRENTICES GET TIME OFF AND ANNUAL LEAVE?

Yes. During the training phase, there are weekends and holiday periods built in. Once you have finished your training and have joined your unit, you are free to come and go at weekends as long as you do not have any duties. Soldiers also have annual leave.

DO APPRENTICES HAVE TO SERVE A MINIMUM AMOUNT OF TIME?

During your basic training, you can change your mind within the first 4 weeks. After this point, soldiers are expected to serve for 4 years, including their training, but can hand in their notice after 3 years. The majority of soldiers stay for much longer.

WHAT PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES ARE THERE IN THE ARMY?

Every Regiment and Corps is designed to offer a variety of roles and trades, with a structure in place to ensure promotion and career progression. You can explore the Army Role Finder on the Army Jobs website to learn about the specific progression opportunities.

WHAT DOES LIFE LOOK LIKE AFTER THE ARMY?

Throughout your career, the Army encourage, and will pay, for you to gain qualifications, from apprenticeships to help with your literacy and numeracy skills, through to masters and PhDs, the Army will invest in you. These qualifications will enhance both your Army career and are valued by civilian employers.

HOW DOES A CAREER IN THE ARMY IMPACT ON A FAMILY/PERSONAL LIFE?

Being a soldier can impact personal and family life, such as being away from home, but the Army is committed to supporting you (and your family) wherever your career takes you, whether around housing, children, pregnancy or flexibility, there is lots of support available.

HOW CAN I SUPPORT THEM TO MAKE THE RIGHT DECISION?

Ultimately, we would just encourage families to research as much as possible to make sure the role and Army life is right for your child. Lots of support is also available for parents/carers who are advising their child through our dedicated advisers at our Army Recruitment Centres.



FIND OUT MORE SUPPORT FOR PARENTS & CARERS

There is lots of information and guidance available to help you as a parent/carer to learn more about the variety of British Army apprenticeships and the different careers available.

Explore the websites and resources below:



**ARMY RECRUITMENT
CENTRE**

Visit a careers centre to get support through each stage of the journey

tinyurl.com/army-careerscentre



**ARMY JOBS
WEBSITE**

Visit the Army Jobs website to explore different roles and to ask your questions

jobs.army.mod.uk



**AFC
HARROGATE FILM**

Watch this short film to learn more about the Army Foundation College in Harrogate

tinyurl.com/afcarmy-film



**THE PARENT
PERSPECTIVE
PODCAST**

Listen to The Parent Perspective podcast episode dedicated to the Army

tinyurl.com/army-podcast

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No matter how long you have been serving or how old you are, your Mum still worries about you. The thing to take away is our soldiers are superbly well-trained, well-equipped and they are the most professional soldiers in the world. They are confident in their abilities. It can be a dangerous job, it often isn't - it is no more dangerous than other jobs in our economy. We are extremely proud of our apprentices.

**COLONEL
TERBLANCHE**

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**SEARCH
ARMY APPRENTICESHIPS**

KICKS

BALLER SERIES



FOUNDATION

**FREE TOURNAMENT SERIES
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 14-18**



MIXED | ALL ABILITIES



**Teams of eight competing for
Baller Series glory**



**Tuesdays 5-7pm
14 April - 14 July
(excluding 28 May)**



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Complex, Tongdean
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**REGISTER
NOW!**



Enter as a team or an individual



Premier League
Kicks



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Registered charity in England and Wales (No. 1110978).



YEAR 10

T&STER DAYS

*Experience college life
for a day with our
Year 10 Taster Days.*

Scan here
to register!



EASTBOURNE

25th June, 1st & 2nd July

HASTINGS

23rd, 24th & 30th June

LEWES

25th June, 1st & 2nd July

Choose up to four courses to try, meet expert tutors, explore our campuses, and discover our enrichment and sports academy programmes.

Registration opens: 10am on Wednesday 1st April
Registration closes: 3pm on Friday 5th June

If your school has selected a specific date and campus, this will be allocated upon registration.



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DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

EGG-VENTURE FUN DAY

A **cracking** day of outdoor fun for the whole family at **Broadstone Warren!**


**MONDAY
6TH APRIL
10AM-4PM**

EGG HUNT

AEROBALL

CIRCUS SKILLS

TARGET SPORTS

£5
PER PERSON
(FREE FOR
UNDER 5s)


CRAFTING

Extra adventure available:
Campfire activities, climbing,
Jacob's ladder, leap of faith
and tomahawks.
£2.50 per activity

Food and drinks available
to purchase all day

Open to members
and non-members



Book now:



Scout Adventures Broadstone Warren,
Lewes Rd, Forest Row RH18 5JS

Advance booking is recommended – limited spaces available!



Keep In Touch Days 2026



Considering joining us at **MPCT Military Academies**?

Sessions run from **13:00 - 14:30**

This is a fantastic opportunity to meet other potential learners, meet instructors and experience first-hand how you will learn the MPCT Way.



Friday 27th March 2026



Friday 1st May 2026



Friday 19th June 2026

To book your place please call our Student Services team on 0303 003 3677

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