

SLG CAREERS BULLETIN



Dear Parent/Guardian

17/04/2026

Please see information below that details events linked to Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance.

SLG Career Bulletins are available on the school app and school website. Students can also access this information on their Year Group TEAMS.

Upcoming Careers Events

Year 13 Work Placement

Monday 08 June – Friday 12 June 2026

- Work placement is an important element of the Year 13 Careers programme.
- Pupils must source and arrange their own placement with an employer.
- A list of companies has been shared with pupils on TEAMS

Pupils should begin contacting employers as soon as possible and speak to Mrs McPhilomey if they need support.

Student Finance – Year 14

Student Finance NI opened for applications on **Monday 23 March 2026** for student loans to assist with Tuition Fees for pupils beginning university in September 2026.

- Pupils should visit studentfinancenico.uk to apply.
- The deadline for applications is **Thursday 30 April 2026**.
- Further information will be shared via TEAMS and in Careers class.

Year 14 UCAS Decisions (Firm + Insurance)

Year 14 pupils with all five UCAS decisions should:

- Select a **Firm Choice** (first preference) and **Insurance Choice** (backup) via UCAS.
- Guidance will be provided during Careers lessons.

University & Higher Education

Queen's University Belfast – Offer Holder Events

All Offer Holders should have received an email with registration details – pupils are reminded to register so they don't miss out. There will be interactive taster sessions to show prospective students what a day in the life of Queen's is really like:

- **Dentistry Offer Holder Day – Tuesday 21 April 2026**
- **Pharmacy (MPharm) Offer Holder Day – Saturday 9 May 2026**
- **Social Work Offer Holder Evening – Monday 11 May 2026**
- **Nursing Offer Holder Day – Saturday 23 May 2026**

Queen's University Belfast – Open Days 2026

Students will have the opportunity to learn more about courses, hear first-hand from current students and teaching staff, and experience learning and living in Belfast:

- [Saturday 6 June 2026, 9.30am – 3pm](#)
- [Saturday 3 October 2026, 9.30am – 3pm](#)

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Accessible Learning Support Information Session

Accessible Learning Support at Queen's University are hosting an online Information Session for September 2026 Offer Holders with a disability or long-term condition on **Wednesday 22 April 2026, 6–7pm (Online)**.

Students and their parents/guardians will have the opportunity to:

- Hear about the range of in-course and funded supports available
- Chat with staff from Accessible Learning Support, Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA) Officers and Queen's Accommodation
- Hear from current Queen's students who have accessed support

[Find out more and register online](#)

All Ireland Scholarship Scheme 2026

- 25 scholarships are available for high-achieving students from low-income households in Northern Ireland.
- Successful applicants will receive £5,850 per year throughout their university course.
- Open to top A Level and Level 3 Extended Diploma students who received Education Maintenance Allowance and are starting university in 2026–2027.
- Apply by 4pm, Thursday 27 August 2026.

Find out more and apply: <http://www.ccea.org.uk/.../all-ireland-scholarship-scheme...>

New at QUB: BA Modern Languages with Business

The Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences has hosted an information webinar on the new BA Modern Languages with Business programme. [Watch the recording](#). Key features of the course include:

- A combination of language and business skills
- The option to study a second language
- Global opportunities and placement options
- Flexibility to keep career pathways open
- A highly rated student experience

Work-Related Learning

NHS Allied Healthcare Virtual Work Experience

Upcoming NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience sessions offer students the opportunity to explore crucial elements of Road Traffic Collisions (RTC) whilst being guided through various allied health careers – following two patients from initial presentation to full recovery. Students will gain invaluable perspectives on patient care and the collaborative efforts within the NHS, including careers in:

- Nursing & Midwifery
- Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy & Occupational Therapy
- Dietetics & Radiography
- Prosthetics & Orthotics
- Speech and Language Therapy & Pharmacy

[Sign up here](#)

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Scholarships & Funding

Supporting Communities CAFRE Scholarship – Year 14 Students

Supporting Communities is delighted to offer a 2-year scholarship programme for students currently in Year 14 in the Ballymena area, or students in their final year of the Level 3 Diploma in Agriculture at CAFRE. This fund is specifically for students applying to study the **FdSc Agriculture and Technology** at CAFRE.

Successful applicants will receive **£1,500** per year throughout their foundation degree. Students will also receive a one-off **£1,000** grant at the start of their scholarship to purchase essential IT or technology (e.g. a laptop or specialist software).

Application Deadline: **5pm on 30 June 2026**

[CAFRE Scholarship Fund – Supporting Communities](#)