

SLG CAREERS BULLETIN



Dear Parent/Guardian

20/02/2026

Please find below details of upcoming events and opportunities linked to Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG).

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

Careers Events Next Week:

📍 PREPARATION WORKSHOPS: Room 9 | Period 5 | Students should bring: 📓 Notebook 🖋️ Pen 🍷 Lunch

Tuesday 24 February

Higher Level Apprenticeship Interview Preparation

Wednesday 25 February

MSAT Information & Preparation

Attendance is strongly advised for those applying for HLAs or sitting the MSAT.

Year 13 – Important Information: Work Experience & UCAS Support (June)

Year 13 students are advised of the following compulsory programme taking place in June:

Work Experience

-  Week beginning **Monday 8 June**
- Students are required to complete **3 days** of work experience during this week.
- Students are expected to source their own employer and arrange placement within a suitable business or organisation.
- Further guidance and paperwork will be issued closer to the time.
- Work experience is a compulsory element of the Year 13 Careers Programme.

Students are encouraged to begin considering suitable work experience placements now. Please contact Mrs McPhilomey if there are any issues relating to work placements

UCAS Support

-  One day during the week beginning **Monday 15 June**
- Students will be required to attend school for **one** allocated UCAS support day.
- Students will be informed nearer the time which day they are expected in school.
- This session is designed to support students with their UCAS journey and university applications.

This day is a key step in supporting students as they prepare competitive and informed university applications.

WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES

New placements available in:

- Therapy (Speech & Music)
- Business & Entrepreneurship
- Food & Manufacturing
- Medical Interview Preparation
- Tech, Coding & AI
- Legal Careers

Plus additional placements and free online talks.

 <https://finder.futuresforall.org/opportunity-detail/18C80D39-82C7-470A-5CE5-08DE58C362B7>



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LIVE NI WORK PLACEMENTS

Opportunities currently open include:

- KAINOS Summer Placements
- Seagate – AI Unlocked Insight Day
- CyberFirst NI Experience
- Government Virtual Career Experience
- Food & Manufacturing Insight Events

Deadlines may close early due to demand. Students are encouraged to apply promptly. Please see links below:

[AI Unlocked A Digital Insight Day into Data, AI & Smart Technology with Seagate](#)
[From Learning to Earning – Food & Manufacturing in Northern Ireland with Fermanagh & Omagh District Council](#)
[Defend the Digital World: CyberFirst NI Virtual Experience Northern Ireland Only with CyberFirst NI](#)
[AI Unlocked A Digital Insight Day into Data, AI & Smart Technology – Northern Ireland Only with Seagate](#)
[2-Day Virtual Government Career Experience – Northern Ireland Only with Department for Business and Trade](#)

NATIONAL NO-CODE HACKATHON

Tech Mentor

A one-day immersive experience where students:

- ✓ Work in teams
- ✓ Solve real-life challenges
- ✓ Use AI-assisted thinking
- ✓ Develop innovation & presentation skills

Careers pathways explored:

Software • AI • Data • Engineering • Cybersecurity

 £15 per student

 <https://techmentor.org.uk/national-hackathon-competition>

CAFRE SPRING OPEN WEEK

 7–13 March 2026

For school leavers, career changers and course undecided students.
(See attached information.)

Apprenticeship Opportunities

Heron Bros Ltd

Information is attached regarding a Higher Level Engineering Apprenticeship in Civil and Construction Engineering with Heron Bros Ltd.

Key dates:

- Applications close: **28 February 2026**
- Interviews: **March 2026**
- Offers issued: **April 2026**
- Employment commences: **3 September 2026**

Application Method

Detailed CV to careers@heronbros.com

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HIGHER LEVEL APPRENTICESHIPS

Almac – Applied Sciences (Analytical)

Students will:

- ✓ Earn while they learn
- ✓ Receive structured mentoring
- ✓ Work towards a BSc (Hons) in Applied Pharmaceutical Sciences (Ulster University)
- ✓ Access enhanced wellbeing and pension schemes

Further information available via Almac:

[Almac's Applied Science – Analytical HLA 2026 programme is now open for applications](#)

Dale Farm

- Maintenance Engineering Apprenticeship Programme
- Higher Level Apprenticeship in Food Manufacturing

See attached information

McCauley Trailers

- Higher Level Apprentices (HLA)
- Degree Apprentices
- NVQ Engineering Apprentices

Opportunities are available across engineering pathways with hands-on industry experience. Applications are submitted via CV to info@mccauleys.co.uk

See attached information

Considering courses?
**Discover
CAFRE**
Spring Open Week

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College of Agriculture,
Food & Rural Enterprise

Book now:
www.cafre.ac.uk/events

Discover courses that lead
to sustainable careers in:

EQUINE:
Saturday 7th March

FOOD:
Tuesday 10th March

HORTICULTURE & FLORISTRY:
Wednesday 11th March

VETERINARY NURSING:
Wednesday 11th March

AGRICULTURE & LAND-BASED ENGINEERING:
Friday 13th March



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CAFRE Open Week

**Saturday 7 March -
Friday 13 March 2026**

Study courses
from **Level 2 to
BSc Honours Degree**

Book now

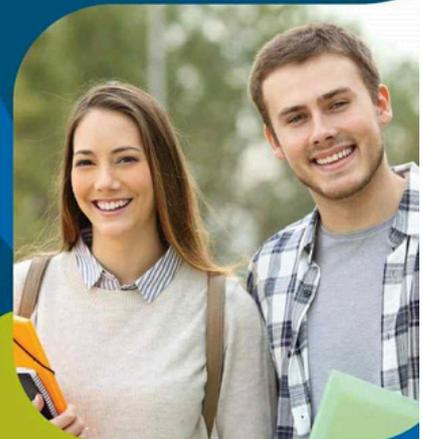


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McCAULEY
TRAILERS

We Are Hiring Apprentices

- ✓ HLA Apprentices
- ✓ Degree Apprentices
- ✓ NVQ Engineering Apprentices
- ✓ And many more

APPLY NOW

Have any questions? Get in touch
info@mccauleys.co.uk or call us
028796519191



APPLY NOW AND BE A PART OF OUR TEAM

SEND CV TO INFO@MCCAULEYS.CO.UK

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YOUR DAIRY COOPERATIVE

WHAT'S YOUR NEXT MOOOOVE???

IF UNIVERSITY ISN'T FOR YOU, WHY NOT JOIN OUR HERD IN FOOD MANUFACTURING?

Our **Higher Level Apprenticeship** Programme is an exciting pathway designed to develop the future talented operations managers at Dale Farm, with the opportunity to springboard onto a degree programme.

Entry Requirements: 3 A Levels , grade C or above

- Paid, permanent role from day one
- Obtain a **HLA qualification** while you work
- Mentoring from experienced production, engineering and technical leaders
- Rotations across all our manufacturing sites



APPLY NOW!

For more information and how to apply, scan the QR code or visit:

dalefarm.com/careers 🔍

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YOUR DAIRY COOPERATIVE

GEAR UP YOUR CAREER



MAINTENANCE ENGINEERING APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME

**COMPETITIVE
SALARY**

3-year training programme will provide:

- **Industry expert training**
- **Mentor support on site**
- **Opportunities for career advancement post qualification**

On completion of the NVQ L3 Food and Drink Maintenance Engineer Apprentice Programme, there's also the opportunity to complete a Higher Level Apprenticeship Programme, equivalent to a Foundation Degree.

Locations: Ballymena, Belfast, Cookstown & Dungannon

Requirements:

- 16 points at GCSE level inclusive of A-C in English, Maths & ICT (or equivalent)
- Demonstrate an interest in electrics/mechanics



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