



## Bucks Bulletin Board

Specsavers is opening eyes to careers in optometry by offering first-hand experience and over £1,000 of financial support through the launch of its [Bright Futures Bursary](#).

Celebrating 10 years of inspiring young people through film, [Into Film Festival](#) is back on 7th-24th November with hundreds of free screenings, Q&As and workshops across the county.

Tech-loving students in Years 9-13 are invited to help build a Microsoft PowerApp for Buckinghamshire Council as part of CloudyIT's new [App-Opportunity](#) project.

## We're so happy to see you

Spent the last few weeks mourning the end of summer? Well that stops now! For us, the autumn term marks the beginning of another year of inspiring young people to gain the skills and qualifications they need to thrive in the workplace. Whether you're just starting your secondary school career or getting ready to sit A-Level exams, Bucks Skills Hub is here to help uncover the path to your dream role – and we think that's something to get excited about.



## Apprenticeships: The support programme you need to know about

The Apprenticeship Support and Knowledge (ASK) project is on a mission to increase students' understanding of apprenticeships and T-Levels, and it's teamed up with Bucks Skills Hub to help reveal the latest opportunities. We'll also be delivering exciting events throughout the year.



## Dates to add to your diary

If you haven't thought about what careers events you're going to hit this academic year, here's your sign to start... Behold, our pick the 2023/24 festivals, shows and campaigns to get fired up for. Ready with a red marker? Let's get planning.

## University: How to ace your personal statement

The UCAS undergraduate application deadlines are fast approaching, which means it's time to make a start on your personal statement. Admissions staff will read a lot of these, so here are three things to consider if you want to stand out from the crowd.

"In a world that's changing really quickly, the only strategy that is guaranteed to fail is not taking risks."

Mark Zuckerberg



## Careers: What does the future of work look like?

An ageing population, society's increasing reliance on technology and climate change is set to have a huge impact on the career landscape over the next 10-20 years but, despite popular belief, it won't be all space travel, hover cars and holograms. In fact, Morrisby predicts there will still be a vast demand for jobs which are already familiar to us. [See for yourself.](#)



## Competitions to enter now

Not only do youth competitions allow you to explore a particular interest, they also look great on CVs and applications to higher education. Feeling up to the challenge? We've rounded up [six of the best.](#)

## Work experience: The benefits from a business' perspective

From a graduate programme in Germany to managing one of the UK's leading telecommunications providers, [we recently caught up with Klaus Allion](#) to find out why he dedicates so much time to empowering Bucks schools' careers leaders and facilitating meaningful experiences for students.