



Burnley Road
Padiham
BB12 8ST

12 September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11, Choosing Post-16 Options & Careers Fair

This year, your child will make decisions about where they would like to study or train for (at least) the next two years. Your child has received information over the past few years about the choices they have this year and they will be supported in school to make their decision by having an **Information, Advice & Guidance (IAG) appointment** this term. Following the IAG appointment, your child will receive a personalised Action Plan via their school email account, which will contain important information and resources. **It is important that you discuss this with your child.**

Overleaf you will find some information regarding some local education and training provider Open Events. **The majority of open events happen during this term.** Please note that event dates, times and locations may be subject to change: check with the individual provider for details. It is recommended that you book in advance for each open event you wish to attend.

It is important that your child attends some, if not all, events to enable them to make an informed decision about their post-16 provision. Parents/Carers are also actively encouraged to attend with your child, so you can see first-hand some of the fantastic opportunities and services offered to young people in post-16 education and training in our area.

In addition, your child will attend the 'Find Your Future' Burnley careers fair. Over 10 Burnley high schools, in collaboration with Burnley Council and the Burnley Bondholders, have come together to arrange an amazing, interactive careers fair for all of our Year 11 students. Over 40 employers, colleges, sixth forms, universities and training providers will be in attendance.

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| Date | Wednesday 8 October 2025 |
| Times | Leave Shuttleworth at 12.30pm, return by 2.30pm. |
| Transport | Transport will be provided to and from school. |
| Cost | £5 voluntary contribution payable via Parentpay |
| Uniform | Your child will be expected to wear full school uniform as normal. |

Shuttleworth College students will be supervised by Shuttleworth College staff at all times. Please note that you must now complete the **medical consent form 3a**, for which you will be sent a link. Without the form 3a, your child will not be permitted to attend this visit.

Students must bring any medication they may need on the day. Photographs may be taken on this trip which may be used on social media channels and/or college websites. We will use existing photograph consent for your child. If you do not wish your child's photograph to be taken you must send a letter to Mrs Kim Turner **before** the trip takes place.

Our school website also has a careers section with a list of links and guidance for students and families. <https://www.shuttleworthcollege.org/curriculum/careers/> You can find a summary of the different types of providers, courses and subjects on offer in the sections 'Encounters with further and higher education' and 'Year 11 support'.

Please note that **application deadlines** vary between providers: some are as early as mid-December. Applications are made from mid-September onwards and interviews and offers for places are given on a conditional basis based on reports and predicted grades. Supported application sessions will be offered in school.

If your child would like to apply for an **apprenticeship**, they should have a completed CV and be prepared to do extra research around their chosen role, industry and local employers. Securing an apprenticeship vacancy has become very competitive and employers expect to see extra effort from applicants who are serious about entering the workplace. CV templates and guidance will be shared in form times and assemblies.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact me on rturner@shuttleworth.lancs.sch.uk

Yours faithfully,



Mrs R Turner
Senior Assistant Headteacher

| Sixth Form/ College/ Training Provider | Course types available | Date | Time |
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| Accrington & Rossendale College https://www.accross.ac.uk/ | T Level Vocational Apprenticeship | Tues 30 September Weds 22 October Tues 3 February 2026 | 5.30-7.30pm |
| Blackburn College https://www.blackburn.ac.uk/ | A Levels T Level Vocational Apprenticeship | Tues 23 September Weds 1 October Sat 15 November | 4.30-7.30pm 4.30-7.30pm 10am-2pm |
| Burnley College https://www.burnley.ac.uk/ | A Levels T Level Vocational Apprenticeship | Weds 17 September Thurs 2 October Tues 18 November Weds 21 January 2026 (Apprenticeships) Tues 10 February 2026 | 5.30-8.30pm |
| Craven College https://www.craven-college.ac.uk/ | T Level Vocational Apprenticeship | <i>Skipton</i> Mon 6 October Mon 17 November <i>Aviation Academy</i> Weds 8, Thurs 9 October Weds 15 October Weds 19, Thur 20 November | 5.30-7.30pm |
| Myerscough College (Multiple sites) https://www.myerscough.ac.uk/ | Technical Apprenticeship | Sat 4 October Sat 15 November Sat 7 February 2026 Sat 18 April 2026 | 10am-12.30pm |
| Nelson & Colne College https://www.nelson.ac.uk/ | A Levels T Level Vocational Apprenticeship | Sat 20 September (A Levels) Weds 15 October Tues 11 November Thurs 5 February 2026 | 10am-2pm 5.30-7.30pm 5.30-7.30pm 5.30-7.30pm |
| Alder Grange Sixth Form https://aldergrange.com/ag6-home/ | A Levels only | TBC | TBC |
| BRGS Sixth Form https://www.brgs.org.uk/sixth-form | A Levels only | Thurs 13 November | 6-8pm |
| CRGS Sixth Form http://www.crgs.org.uk/ | A Levels only | Weds 12 November | TBC |
| St Christopher's Sixth Form https://www.st-christophers.org/sixth | A Levels only | TBC | TBC |
| Training 2000 https://www.training2000.co.uk/ | Apprenticeship only | Weds 28 January 2026 Thurs 29 January 2026 | 4.30-7.30pm |
| North Lancs Training Group https://www.nltg.co.uk/ | Apprenticeship only | <i>Please contact NLTG individually as they do not typically hold a general Open Event.</i> | |