

Dear Year 11,

I hope you are all well and are keeping safe at home. You may now be thinking about your next steps towards college, sixth-form or an apprenticeship and preparing for these where you can.

Our local enterprise group 'The Pledge Cheshire and Warrington' have partnered with local and national companies to bring you a series of live and interactive broadcasts. This is a unique opportunity that allows you to learn more about local employers and the skills that they look for in future candidates when they are hiring. Some of these companies may be familiar to you as they have visited school previously.

The 'Learn Live' events have already started but it is possible to watch previous broadcasts on demand. Links and details of how to access these resources can be found below.

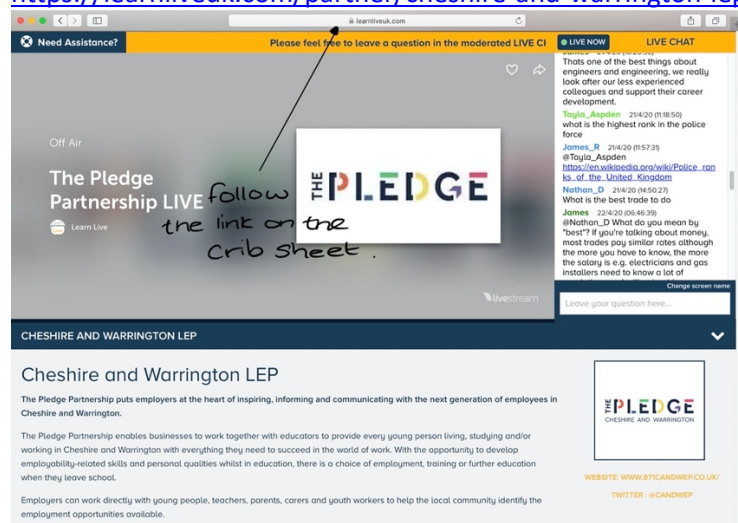
Learn live has a chat facility where students can ask questions of local employers. In terms of safeguarding, families can be assured that this facility is moderated. Student log in with their school email address (which will never be shared) and they then use a screen disguise name to ask questions (please don't use your full name as your screen name). Questions are screened first to see if they are suitable to show online. Learn live have produced a short tutorial video relating to the live chat which can be found here <https://vimeo.com/405789305>. Please watch the short tutorial first.

To find all of the videos that 'The Pledge, Cheshire and Warrington' have broadcast, along with the schedule of upcoming sessions, please head to the Pledge partner page on Learn Live which can be found here <https://learnliveuk.com/partner/cheshire-and-warrington-lep/>. You will need to sign in with your school email address/school postcode and add the number of viewers as 1. Lucy Williams will be the next guest from Higher Horizons, she may already be familiar with some of you as she has already visited school to participate in sessions.

Instructions for using the website.

Website link:

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Need Assistance? Please feel free to leave a question in the moderated LIVE CHAT LIVE NOW LIVE CHAT

Off Air

The Pledge Partnership LIVE

Learn Live

livestream

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WEBSITE: WWW.871CANDWEP.CO.UK/

TWITTER: @CANDWEP

Join us for our upcoming broadcasts!

20th April	11:00am	Pledge Intro – Stacey Rutter
21st April	11:00am	Network Rail – James Richards
23rd April	11:00am	Driveworks – Bridie Mills
28th April	11:00am	Higher Horizons – Lucy Williams
30th April	11:00am	Thrive Creative – Dave Powell
5th May	11:00am	United Utilities – Matthew Newman
7th May	11:00am	Priestley College – Adam Bird
12th May	11:00am	Apprentify – Scott Austin

These broadcasts can now be viewed on demand!

Next session on Tuesday!

Why get involved?

- Are you looking to raise visibility of your business to schools, youth groups and young people in your local area?
- Do you have a skills shortage in your business and struggle to recruit the right people for certain roles?
- Do you want to overcome the misconceptions and myths about which types of role are available within your industry?

The Pledge Partnership will enable your business to:


- The Pledge is fully funded so you will be getting all these opportunities at no cost to your business.
- Headhunt appropriate talent from a pipeline of quality young people within your local area
- Benefit from the ideas and energy of young people
- Give back to your local community

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For more information check out the downloadable Employer Brochure on the resources tab.

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DriveWorks
 Configure & Automate

I will be talking to you about DriveWorks, a software company based in Thelwall, Warrington.

The talk will include a look at DriveWorks software and the many roles found inside a digital company.

I will also be sharing some tips for staying motivated at home and how you can boost your CV and career prospects from your sofa!


The lockdown caused by the Covid-19 pandemic has left students facing the potential of a very long break away from school/college. It is tempting to view this time as an elongated summer holiday and therefore a time to relax, but this newly available time gives enormous opportunity to build your knowledge about academic pathways, e.g. college or university, as well as the opportunity to explore the world of work. Why not explore apprenticeships – they offer the best of both worlds and you get a salary too!

The current lock-down gives a very rare opportunity for students to focus on and build important transferrable skills too:

- Plan your days
- Manage your time effectively
- Set yourselves goals
- Reflect – did you achieve your goals?
- Research – have you developed your knowledge about employers?
- Communications – contacted an employer about work experience?


So, what have you got to lose? Get cracking and learn about the exciting world of work that awaits you!


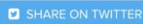
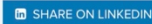

Watch James' second video [here!](#)







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helping life flow smoothly


 Priestley College

ON DEMAND

Previous broadcast available as on demand videos. You need to sign in.

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Add your School email address. Set the number of viewers to 1.

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Middlewich High School

CW10 9BU

School name and post code

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