



# KINGSBIDGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Year 10 Discovery Challenge Week

It was fantastic to see so many of you at the information evening last week. Hopefully you are now feeling fully informed about what is on offer for **Year 10 Discovery Challenge Week 2026!**

For reference, and for those who were unable to attend, we have produced a video of the presentation which can be accessed [here](#). I strongly encourage you to watch as there is a lot of important info covered. The presentation slides and flyers are also available on the website [here](#).

We now need to know your child's preferred option for the week. **Please discuss together and then complete the booking form <https://forms.office.com/e/zUtLTRjry2> by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February.**

Additional important information about each option is included below. Please take time to read through the information and links carefully to make sure you have all the details you need to support a smooth process overall. As a reminder, here are the options of for the week.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Option 1</b>	Dartmoor Adventure Residential		Sector Experience		
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<b>Option 2</b>	Dartmoor Adventure Residential		Own Plan Work Experience		
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<b>Option 3</b>	Own Plan Work Experience (this could be more than one placement)				

### Dartmoor Adventure Residential

If your child opts for the Dartmoor Residential, complete the booking form and to confirm your child's place pay a £50 deposit on Parent Pay. There is a number limit and places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Please contact [Alice.Taylor@kingsbridgecollege.org.uk](mailto:Alice.Taylor@kingsbridgecollege.org.uk) if the cost is a barrier so we can support.

There is a pre-trip meeting for parents/carers and students on Tuesday 9th June. Details to follow.

### Work Experience

For students who are considering organising their own placements ('own plan'), please see below about how to process and secure the placement through **Unifrog**. **This needs to be logged by 24<sup>th</sup> April**. Please remember that Work Experience should **not** be paid work and is ideally different to any part time employment your child may already have.

For those opting for the 'own plan' as their first choice, we will allocate your second choice sector experience if you have not found a placement and confirmed it through the Unifrog placements tool by the deadline.

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## Unifrog Placements Tool

We use Unifrog [www.unifrog.org](http://www.unifrog.org) to manage the administration of the work experience programme – for example collecting information from the employer about their Risk Assessment and Health & Safety policy, as well as getting agreement from yourselves for the placement to go ahead. The process:

1. Students need to agree the placement with the employer first and then get the ball rolling by logging the placement to their Unifrog account. They'll find the Placements tool on their Unifrog homepage - [here](#) is a link to a guide that explains the process. **Please note, the Placements tool can only be accessed from your child's Unifrog account, using their college email address.**
2. The Unifrog system will then email the employer, the parent / carer, and the college, to collect the necessary information and permissions. **It is required that all these steps are completed before a your child starts their work experience, otherwise we cannot authorise their work experience attendance.**
3. When confirming a placement, let them know about Unifrog and to expect an email from them. There is a letter you can give to placements that explains the process and what is expected of them, available [here](#).

For the process to work, **it's essential that your child adds the initial information about the placement accurately.**

Additional resources:

- Unifrog have created a guide about placements which you can find [here](#).
- Plus a guide on how to find a placement, available [here](#).

## Sector Experiences

Our Sector Experiences are designed to give students a taste of the career roles within different industries. We work with local professionals to curate these; some experiences are based on the college site and others involve day trips out. Please find details for each experience [here](#). There are still aspects of these experiences that are yet to be confirmed and more detail will be added as arrangements are secured.

For those opting for a **Sector Experience**, the return of the form indicating your child's first choice will guarantee a place for your child.

Work Sector – live links to fliers with more info	Date
1. <a href="#">Business</a> – Entrepreneurial Challenge, Leadership, Risk and return	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>
2. <a href="#">999 Uniformed Services</a> – First Aid, Police, Fire service	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>
3. <a href="#">Creative Events Sector</a> –Event planning , Marketing, Hospitality	
4. <a href="#">Conservation</a> – Dartmoor Zoo field trip, The National Trust Ranger experience	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>
5. <a href="#">Construction</a> – Building, project management, architecture	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>

Our aim for this week is to create equitable opportunities for all students to consider their possible career pathways through personal development and a meaningful encounter with the world of work. If you or your child have concerns about any element of the week, please get in touch with the appropriate staff member listed below, Mrs Heselman, Miss Thomas or Alice Taylor who can work with you to overcome any barriers.

Thank you so much for your support.

Yours sincerely,



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**Assistant Principal**  
**Discovery Lead**

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