

Careers Newsletter - Pause. Plan. Progress!

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Welcome to the April Edition of the Eton Academy Careers Newsletter!

As we enjoy the half-term break, this is the perfect moment to hit “pause” and take a mindful look at where we are. Before diving into Term 3, let’s take time to review our journey so far, evaluate our progress, and make a plan for intentional action.

Whether you’ve discovered new strengths, faced unexpected challenges, or are still figuring things out, this break is a golden opportunity to reflect and reset. In this edition, we’ll guide you in turning your insights into action, setting goals, and preparing for a powerful final term. Let’s finish the year strong, together!

Topic of the month: Passion to Project- Make It Happen!

Starting a project might sound big or scary, but it doesn’t have to be. If you know what matters to you, have a clear idea of what you want to achieve, and you’re willing to stay consistent—you *can* make it happen.

Work Smart: Simple Steps to Start Your Own Project

- **Start with something you actually care about**
Whether it’s gaming, art, mental health, or sustainability—choose something that excites you. If you’re not interested, you won’t stick with it.
- **Write it down**
Keep it simple: What’s your goal? What’s one small thing you can do this week? You don’t need a full plan, just a starting point.
- **Use free tech tools**
 - Want to promote your idea? Use Canva to create posters or social media posts.
 - Need to organize tasks? Try Google Keep or your phone’s Notes app.
 - Want to share updates? Record a quick video on your phone and upload it to YouTube Shorts or your school platform.
- **Don’t do it alone**
Ask one friend to join you. Whether it’s for ideas, support, or just to keep you accountable, having someone else makes it easier to keep going.
- **Keep it manageable**
Choose one goal at a time. If it takes 10–15 minutes a day, that’s enough to start. You don’t need to do everything at once.
- **Talk to a teacher or mentor**
Ask for advice or feedback. Teachers can help you shape your idea or connect you with school resources you might not know about.



- **Show your progress even if it's not perfect**

Share updates on your idea, even small ones. It keeps you motivated and lets others know what you're working on.



The job of the month: Exploring the World of Entrepreneurship

Being a successful entrepreneur isn't just about making money, it's about solving problems, taking risks, and turning ideas into something real. It's where passion meets action, and where your mindset can shape your future.

To explore more, watch this video: [6 Tips on Being a Successful Entrepreneur](#)

Skills to Learn: The Power of Reading in a Digital World

Reading isn't just a school task, it's a life skill. It helps you think critically, communicate better, and stay curious in a fast-moving, tech-driven world. Whether you prefer screens or pages, reading can still shape your future, if you make it work for you.



5 Smart Ways to Make Reading Work for You



Start Short & Smart

Build the habit by reading blogs, articles, or short stories—every page counts.



Go Digital

Use apps like *Libby*, *Wattpad*, or *Kindle* to access books on your phone or tablet anytime.



Follow Your Curiosity

Pick topics you enjoy, like fashion, gaming, mental health, or business. Passion leads to progress.



Try Audiobooks & Podcasts

Not into reading? Try listening. Apps like *Spotify*, *Audible*, or *BBC Sounds* make it easy to learn on the go.



Share What You Learn

Post a quote, write a short review, or discuss with a friend. Talking about what you read helps you remember and connect.

Success Story: Two Brothers, One Side Hustle, £8 Million Later

Michael and Jake Lebhar began their business journey at just 16 and 14 years old, starting with a simple side hustle, selling gym equipment online while still in school. That idea grew

into Lebbro Industries, now a booming £8 million business, with products sold on Amazon and Walmart, including pet toys and kitchen tools.

Their success came from:

- Asking experienced business owners for advice
- Staying confident despite their age
- Setting clear goals from the start
- Focusing on long-term growth, not just quick profit
- Expanding across multiple platforms to build its brand



Their journey shows that with passion, consistency, and smart strategy, young people can turn small ideas into global success.

Explore more about their inspiring story here: [My brother & I started side-hustling at 16](#)

17 July **Mark Your Calendar: Global Days to Remember This April**

April 21 – World Creativity and Innovation Day

Recognized by the UN in 2017

Encourages creative thinking to improve the world and support sustainable development.

April 22 – International Mother Earth Day (Earth Day)

Recognized by the UN in 2009

Focuses on harmony with nature and the environment.

April 23 – World Book and Copyright Day

Recognized by UNESCO in 1995

Promotes reading, publishing, and intellectual property rights.

April 23 – English Language Day

Recognized by the UN in 2010

Celebrates linguistic diversity and the role of the English language in global communication.

April 25 – World Malaria Day

Recognized by the WHO (World Health Organization) in 2007

Raises awareness about malaria and highlights the need for continued global efforts to eradicate the disease.

April 26 – World Intellectual Property Day

Recognized by WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organization) in 2000

Promotes awareness of the importance of intellectual property rights in fostering innovation and creativity.

April 28 – World Day for Safety and Health at Work

Recognized by the International Labour Organization (ILO) in 2003

Promotes global efforts to improve safety, health, and well-being in the workplace.



April 30 – International Jazz Day

Established by UNESCO in 2011

Celebrates jazz as a tool for unity, peace, and dialogue.

Make an Impact: Start Your Own Initiative!

This April, as you think about the important international days coming up, imagine how you can turn those days into real change. Whether it's World Creativity and Innovation Day or Earth Day, pick a day that speaks to you, and start planning your own project.

Take out your sticky notes , open your notebooks , or fire up a new digital note on your phone. Brainstorm! Ask yourself:

- *What problem can I solve?*
- *How can I make a positive impact in my school, community, or even globally?*
What small step can I take right now to start this project?

Your project could be the spark for something bigger, something that inspires others to act and make a difference. The world needs innovative ideas, creative thinking, and passion-driven action, and it all starts with you!

Free Events in April: Don't Miss Out!

Tradeoffs in AI and Access - April 16

The event, hosted by The Chronicle of Higher Education, examines the pros and cons of AI tools in improving college access for first-generation and lower-income students, focusing on how AI can democratize support while addressing biases and the risk of losing personal connections. [Register here](#)

How to Build a Startup: Free Webinar on Entrepreneurship - April 20

This free event is perfect for students looking to start their own ventures. You'll hear tips and strategies from successful entrepreneurs and learn the key steps to take when launching a startup, focusing on product development, marketing, and financing. [Register here](#)

Did You Know? This April's Bonus Days Off Have a Surprising Story!

This April, you'll enjoy not just one, but two bank holidays:

- **Good Friday on 18 April, and**
- **Easter Monday on 21 April**

But have you ever wondered why we have bank holidays in the first place?

The idea dates back to 1871, when Sir John Lubbock, a British banker and politician, introduced official public holidays to allow people to rest, recharge, and step away from daily routines. These became known as bank holidays, because banks and most businesses would close, giving everyone a well-earned break.

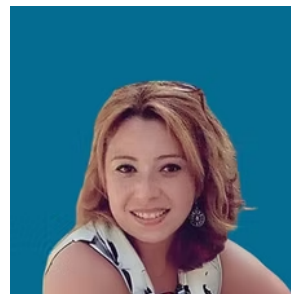
Today, bank holidays are more than just days off. They remind us of the importance of balance, well-being, and using our time intentionally, whether that's to relax, reconnect with others, or prepare for the term ahead.

As you enjoy your long weekend, take a moment to reflect and recharge. It might also be the perfect time to pause, plan, and progress toward your Term 3 goals.

Warm regards,



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