

Careers Café...

In this section of the newsletter, we bring students, parents and carers information on careers and the world of work.

Monthly Key Skills Focus

Each month this year, we will focus on a different employability skill. These are the skills that you need for the world of work – and they are pretty important for life as well! By developing employability skills, you will improve your chances of getting a job and thriving in your career. There are lots of different ways to develop them – including in lessons or extracurricular activities at school, in a Saturday or holiday job, doing projects in your own time or work experience.

This Month's Skill: Initiative

Look at a selection of job adverts and you'll often come across something along the lines of "must be able to work independently and in a team."

While employers want to know that you can work well with your colleagues, they also like to see that you are motivated, proactive and can be trusted to use your own initiative – for example, by keeping your employability skills up-to-date with the latest developments in your area of work.

Show that initiative is one of your key skills by doing a free online course to learn a new skill or forming a new group or club.



Focus on a career in the music industry



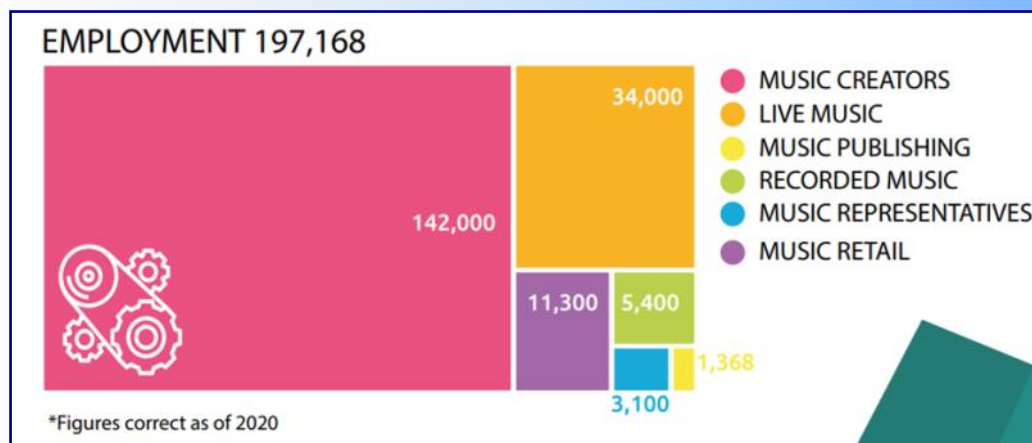
The creative sector is a key generator of economic growth for the UK and is respected across the world.

UK music industry has created a [resource pack](#) to help people who wish to work in the music industry. This is a comprehensive resource, packed with information on accessing potential career paths within the industry. At [Education & Careers Resources - UK Music](#) there is a wealth of information, such as a course directory, job profiles and links to employer websites. Below are some possible roles within the music industry:



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- Digital Marketing Manager
- DJ
- Instrumental Teacher
- Live Event Technician
- Music Producer
- Orchestra Musician
- Royalties Assistant
- Session Musician
- Sync Assistant
- Project Co-ordinator
- Music Data Administrator
- Songwriter
- Composer for Video Games
- Studio Maintenance Engineer
- Music Recording / Mixing Engineer



Source: [UK Music Careers Information Pack 2020.pdf](#) (ukmusic.org)

Gatwick's Expansion

The [Crawley Observer](#) reports on the 800 new construction jobs which would be created by the middle of the 2020s if the Gatwick expansion plans go ahead. These would include professional level management roles as well as electrical engineers, plant operators, ground workers, concrete placing specialists, steel erectors, cladding and glaziers, building management system and fitout specialists. In addition, around 17,600 extra local jobs that could be generated at Gatwick by 2038. The airport is currently staging a public consultation on its proposals to bring its 'emergency' Northern Runway into routine use.

Work Experience Opportunity in Commercial Law

Hogan Lovells First Steps to Law Programme, is a free opportunity open to students. You will get to experience what it is like to work on a project that mirrors the skills their teams have and the work they do in the real world. Build skills in gaining commercial awareness, critical thinking, spotting issues, legal research, drafting emails and communication.

Whether you already have an idea about what you want to do when you leave school or are still exploring, the Hogan Lovells First Steps to Law Programme will give you a taste of what a career in commercial law might look like for you!

- Gain practical skills and experience to better prepare you for the world of work. Programmes are self-paced so you can learn on your own time.
- Learn more about what you will actually do on the job by completing a series of hypothetical tasks based on real life scenarios.
- Gain a certificate to share and add to your resumé. You'll stand out on your application and have something tangible for your interview.

Follow the link for more information and to [enrol](#).