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# Here at BMet we offer a wide range of services to support school leavers in making the right decision for post 16 education.



Our schools engagement team can offer a wide range of services including, assemblies, apprenticeship workshops, application surgeries, mock interviews, careers talks and enrichment workshops to name a few. We are also happy to create a bespoke package for events and visits for your school. Throughout the academic year we hold a variety of events at our colleges to give your students an insight into college life and explore the wide variety of options available to them. This booklet provides you with all the dates of our upcoming events and ways your school can engage with BMet.

BMet Colleges include Sutton Coldfield College, James Watt College, Matthew Boulton College, Erdington Skills Centre and Botanical Gardens in Birmingham. As well as Stourbridge College, Kidderminster Academy, The Art & Design Centre and The Centre of Sporting Excellence.

To book places on any of our events or if you would like further information please either complete the enclosed form, or email the schools engagement team at **[schools@bmet.ac.uk](mailto:schools@bmet.ac.uk)**.



A young woman with long dark hair tied back, wearing a blue denim jacket over a white lace-trimmed top, is smiling and looking towards the right. In the background, there is a wall with several colorful posters or notices pinned to it. A red tilted box containing the text 'Careers Advisor Events' is positioned in the upper right area of the image.

## Careers Advisor Events

Our Careers Advisor events are designed to give an insight into BMet and to find out what's new for 2019/20. You will also get the opportunity to network with BMet staff and other local careers advisors.

# Big Bang

The importance of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) is integral to the UK's success. The UK is the sixth biggest economy in the world. Whilst we make up only 1% of the world's population, we produce 10% of the world's top scientific research.

STEM education is a major priority for schools, and this event will enable pupils to take part in a host of activities to give them a greater understanding in the applications of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

This event includes many practical workshops and will help pupils recognise how the science, design & technology, computer science, engineering and mathematics studied at school can lead to rich and varied career pathways.

## **Big Bang workshops may consist of:**

- Micro Biological Horrors - avoiding these in your everyday environment could save your life.
- Glitter Bug - you call that washing your hands? Investigate the bacteria found on your hands and use UV light to see how good/bad you are at washing them off!
- Imitation Game - learn cryptography techniques and solve cypher challenges.

- Balloon Kebabs - can you pierce a balloon with a wooden skewer without popping it and explain how it works?
- Pop Rockets - make your own mini rockets.
- Non Newtonian Fluids - a liquid that behaves like a solid whilst still being a liquid.

# Aspire to Be

Choosing a career is one of the most important decisions a young person will make in their lives. We live in a world that is constantly demanding change and flexibility. Where some occupations are becoming defunct, others are growing and being created, with a demand for new and innovative skills. It is important that we support young people to think carefully about the career choices they make, by providing relevant information and an insight in to the different careers that they can choose. More importantly, we must support them to choose qualifications and pathways that give them the flexibility that employers require in an ever changing labour market. During the Aspire to Be days, students will be able to partake in practical workshops which will give them an insight into different career pathways.



# Foundation Learning Event



BMet offers a wide range of courses for students who need extra support to learn, who need to enhance their skills before moving up a level, or who have a learning difficulty. All courses offer progression routes onto higher level qualifications, employment or voluntary work.

Foundation learning is the name given to courses at entry level and level 1 and offer an opportunity for students to continue their education at their own pace. We offer personalised programmes all aimed around students' individual needs, with lots of support so students can get the most out of their course.

Our foundation learning taster events are aimed at students who have a learning difficulty and those learners who are predicted GCSE grades 3 and under. This event will give students an insight into college life and a taster of the foundation learning course, sessions will include fun team building activities as well as exploring essential life living skills.



# Year 10 Taster Days

Our Taster Days are designed to give students in year 10 an insight into the wide variety of courses available at our Colleges. Taster days provide an opportunity to spend a day experiencing subjects of choice and will make it easier for the student to make a decision about their plans for future study and career aspirations. We will provide FREE lunches for all pupils and teaching staff attending.

# Apprenticeship Event

At BMet we have hundreds of employers waiting for new apprentices. We work with some of the biggest employers in the country to offer apprenticeships in business, engineering, health and medical, retail and many others.

Our event offers the opportunity to hear from our employers and current apprentices who will talk about their training and qualifications, and how positive they are about their future career prospects.

There's no better way of finding out about studying at BMet than joining us at one of our events. Students get to see our amazing facilities, meet our tutors and find out more about our wide range courses.

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• **Matthew Boulton College -  
Wednesday 6th March -  
4:00pm – 7:00 pm**

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• **Sutton Coldfield College -  
Wednesday 13th March -  
4:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

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• **James Watt College -  
Wednesday 13th March -  
4:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

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## Forthcoming Open Events

- **Saturday 20 October 2018, 10am – 1pm**
- **Saturday 24 November 2018, 10am – 1pm**
- **Wednesday 6 February 2019, 4pm – 7pm**  
(excludes Birmingham Botanical Gardens)
- **Saturday 15 June 2019, 10am – 1pm**

## Careers Open Events

Guest speakers talking about sector specific careers tailored to each college's subject offer

- **Sutton Coldfield College -  
Wednesday 10 October 2018 4pm – 7pm**
- **James Watt College -  
Wednesday 3 April 2019 4pm – 7pm**
- **Matthew Boulton College -  
Wednesday 3 April 2019 4pm – 7pm**



**Applications  
opening 1st  
October 2018**

\* We will state when enrolled what the minimum attendance requirement is.

### **Online Bookings**

Students can now apply online and book a time to come and see us through our new online feature. Save time by picking an appointment slot that suits!

Terms and conditions apply: some courses are excluded from online appointment booking. Where online booking is not available, applicants will be contacted by admissions with an appointment date/time.

## **FREE Travel Support**

Students (16 – 18 year olds) can take advantage of FREE travel on public transport when studying at James Watt College and Erdington Skills Centre. This will give them unlimited bus travel across Birmingham and the West Midlands, which they can use not only to get to college but also to visit friends at weekends and much more.

Passes are awarded termly. They must be 16-18 years old, and studying a full-time course to qualify for their first pass. The college will renew their pass if they maintain a good attendance record\*.



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# BMet Engagement Opportunities

If you would like our schools team to come into school to deliver any of the activities below, please tick and provide details.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Careers fairs         | <input type="checkbox"/> Assemblies/presentations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Application surgeries | <input type="checkbox"/> Apprenticeship workshops |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mock interviews       | <input type="checkbox"/> Enrichment days          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Taster days           | <input type="checkbox"/> Parents' evenings        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Options evenings      |   |



Details of event (Include date & time)

**Contact details:** to make sure our records are correct and up-to- date, please provide us with your current contact details:

**Name**

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**Job title**

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**Address**

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**Telephone**

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**Email**

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Please return this form using the **enclosed prepaid** envelope or email **[schools@bmet.ac.uk](mailto:schools@bmet.ac.uk)**



# James Watt College

## Booking Form



Contact name

Name of school

Address

Telephone

Email

Event	Target Audience	Date	Time	Location	Number of Places to be booked
Careers Advisors Event	Careers Advisors	16/10/2018	8.30am - 10.00am	James Watt	
Careers Advisors Event	Careers Advisors	23/10/2018	10.00am - 12.00pm	Erdington Skills Centre	
Aspire to Be	Years 9, 10 & 11	30/01/2019	9.30am - 2.30pm	Erdington Skills Centre	
Aspire to be	Years 9, 10 & 11	13/02/2019	9.30am - 2.30pm	James Watt	
Foundation Learning Event	Years 10, 11 & 12	28/02/2019	AM/PM	James Watt	
Rail Event	ALL	26/03/2019	9.30am - 2.30pm	James Watt	
Year 10 Taster Day	Year 10	24/06/2019	9.30am - 2.00pm	James Watt	
Year 10 Taster Day	Year 10	26/06/2019	9.30am - 2.00pm	James Watt	
Year 10 Taster Day	Year 10	28/06/2019	9.30am - 2.00pm	James Watt	
Careers Advisor Event	Careers Advisors	08/07/2019	2.30pm - 4.00pm	James Watt	

To book places for your students on any of the above events, please return the booking form to: **Student Engagement Team** James Watt College, Aldridge Road, Birmingham, B44 8NE. Or email [Schools@bmet.ac.uk](mailto:Schools@bmet.ac.uk)

# Matthew Boulton College



## Booking Form

Contact name

Name of school

Address

Telephone

Email

Event	Target Audience	Date	Time	Location	Number of Places to be booked
Careers Advisor Event	Careers Advisors	17/10/2018	8:30 am – 10:00 am	Matthew Boulton	
Greater Birmingham Professional Services Academy Event	Year 9, 10 + 11	19/12/2018	9:30 am – 2:30 pm	Matthew Boulton	
Aspire to be	Year 9	23/01/2019	9:45 am – 2:15 pm	Matthew Boulton	
Foundation Learning/ ESOL Event	Year 9 – 13	12/02/2019	9:00 am – 12:00 pm 12.00pm – 3.00pm	Matthew Boulton	
Big Bang	Year 9	12/03/2019	9:00 am – 12:00 pm 12.00pm – 3.00pm	Matthew Boulton	
Year 10 Tasters	Year 10	24/06/2019	9:30am – 2:30pm	Matthew Boulton	
Year 10 Tasters	Year 10	25/06/2019	9:30am – 2:30pm	Matthew Boulton	
Year 10 Tasters	Year 10	26/06/2019	9:30am – 2:30pm	Matthew Boulton	
Year 10 Tasters	Year 10	27/06/2019	9:30am – 2:30pm	Birmingham Botanical Gardens	
Year 10 Tasters	Year 10	28/06/2019	9:30am – 2:30pm	Matthew Boulton	
Careers Advisor Event	Careers Advisors	09/07/2019	2:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Matthew Boulton	

To book places for your students on any of the above events, please return the booking form to:

**Student Engagement Team**

**Matthew Boulton College, Jennens Road, Birmingham, B4 7PS**

**Or email [Schools@bmet.ac.uk](mailto:Schools@bmet.ac.uk)**





# Sutton Coldfield College

## Booking Form



Contact name

Name of school

Address

Telephone

Email

Event	Target Audience	Date	Time	Location	Number of Places to be booked
Careers Advisor Event	Careers Advisors	18/10/2018	8:30 am – 10:00 am	Sutton Coldfield	
Aspire to be	Year 9	31/01/2019	9:45 am – 2:15 pm	Sutton Coldfield	
Foundation Learning	Year 9 – 13	14/02/2019	9:00 am – 12:00 pm 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Sutton Coldfield	
Big Bang	Year 9	13/03/2019	9:00 am – 12:00 pm 12:00pm – 3:00pm	Sutton Coldfield	
Year 10 Tasters	Year 10	24/06/2019	9:30am – 2:30pm	Sutton Coldfield	
Year 10 Tasters	Year 10	26/06/2019	9:30am – 2:30pm	Sutton Coldfield	
Year 10 Tasters	Year 10	28/06/2019	9:30am – 2:30pm	Sutton Coldfield	
Careers Advisor Event	Careers Advisors	10/07/2019	2:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Sutton Coldfield	

**To book places for your students on any of the above events, please return the booking form to:**

**Student Engagement Team**

**Sutton Coldfield College, Lichfield Road, Sutton Coldfield College, B74 2NW**

**Or email [Schools@bmet.ac.uk](mailto:Schools@bmet.ac.uk)**

- Birmingham Botanical Gardens Westbourne Road, Birmingham B15 3TR
- Erdington Skills Centre Edwards Road, Erdington, Birmingham B24 9EW
- James Watt College Aldridge Road, Great Barr, Birmingham B44 8NE
- Matthew Boulton College Jennens Road, Birmingham B4 7PS
- Sutton Coldfield College Lichfield Road, Sutton Coldfield B74 2NW



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