



# YOUR FUTURE NOW

The Newsletter for your pathways  
beyond Magna Academy Poole

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## MAGNA ACADEMY SUPPORTS THE FUTURE OF THE NHS



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In our first lockdown, people across the country took part in a mass round of applause for nurses and other front-line NHS staff in praise of their work during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Clap For Our Carers initiative saw residents applauding from their doorsteps, windows and balconies at 8pm on Thursday night, with some venturing into the streets, and motorists joining in by tooting their horns.



This pandemic has reminded many of us how precious the NHS is to us and has focused our minds on the amazing work that our healthcare professionals do in our society not only during the emergency of this pandemic but every single day.

Jobs in the NHS can be very challenging, but these jobs also offer very rewarding futures. At Magna Academy we want to provide our students with comprehensive details about working for the NHS, highlighting the many different clinical roles, advertising work experience opportunities, hearing from people who currently work for the NHS and providing support materials and guidance for those who have the aspiration to study Medicine.

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## LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION

As well as supporting our students with advice and guidance about which future pathways they wish to pursue, we want to ensure that students also have Labour Market Understanding to inform their choices.

Understanding Labour Market Information (LMI) is becoming more and more important as the world changes, students need to be aware of where different job roles are needed around the country and what types of jobs will be in demand in the future.

The NHS is the country's largest employer and the fifth largest employer in the world. In Dorset, this sector has exponentially grown over the past years and is predicted to expand further in the future, offering a great variety of career opportunities. It employs 55,000 people (16% of the workforce) contributing £1.6 billion (8.8%) to the overall Dorset economy.

Labour Market Information suggests that there will be continued demand for people to work in the NHS as we move further into the twentieth century. Although places to study Medicine are still very competitive, the UK currently has a shortage of 40,000 nurses, making it highly likely that employment can be found in that field.

Dorset's demographic profile, with its more aged population, means a higher proportion of local people are working in health and social care (16% compared to 13% across England) and this is set to create a variety of interesting and rewarding opportunities within the sector.



## MEDICAL MAVERICKS

In addition to all the resources on Magna Futures Online, as an academy we have invested in an online portal called Medical Mavericks. Medical Mavericks inspires the next generation of healthcare workers and scientists by exciting students about their possible futures and equipping students with the knowledge about the qualifications to study to apply for healthcare roles.

Gaining work experience in healthcare can be challenging, so Medical Mavericks has online virtual work experience through a series of videos followed by quizzes to test what students have learnt. Furthermore, there are some online courses that students can complete and students have access to their own dashboard to build up a portfolio of what they have completed within the portal.

Further great news is that parents have their own section of the portal too! We hope that our students sign up to Medical Mavericks to gauge their interest in a future career in healthcare.

Here's what you need to do to create an account:

1. Click on the links below to go to the registration page
  - a. Students <http://bit.ly/Magna-Acad-student>
  - b. Parents <http://bit.ly/Magna-Acad-parent>
2. Create your own account- students must use their school email address.



3. When you have created your account you will automatically be taken to a page where you must click the enrol button!
4. You can then watch a short video on how to use the Medical Mavericks portal and access all of your courses through your Dashboard.
5. You can access the portal at home or at school any time over the next year. New content is being added each half term too, so there are plenty of reasons to come back!
6. In the future when you want to sign in just head [https://academy.medicalmavericks.co.uk/users/sign\\_in](https://academy.medicalmavericks.co.uk/users/sign_in)

During the Live Guinea Pig Show, Tom from Medical Mavericks carried live medical procedures on himself. He also talked through the many different career pathways in healthcare and explained what qualifications are needed to do those roles.

If you missed this fantastic opportunity, [you can access the presentation here.](#)

## MAGNA FUTURES CLASSROOMS

All your NHS and Healthcare resources are now ready and waiting for you in Google Classroom.



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## ALLIED HEALTHCARE PARTNERSHIP

Learn about a range of many different careers in healthcare. You will find full details by looking up the Futures room in Google Classrooms. You can register with Speakers for Schools to join one of these live sessions: <https://www.speakersforschools.org/>