



## ***The Business Partnerships Team 2025***



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*We are well into the 25/26 academic year, and we want to thank all the employers and stakeholders who have supported us so far. We're excited to continue working with you in the new year to create fantastic learning opportunities for our students and our wider community.*

*Wishing you a happy, healthy, and restful festive season – from all of us in the Business Partnerships Team!*

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## Green Lab Launch & Awards



On Thursday 13th November, [Merton College](#) proudly opened our brand-new Green Labs – with the ribbon cut by the Mayor of Merton, Cllr Martin Whelton.

From E-Charging Points to Solar Panels and VR tech, these labs are built to inspire innovation, sustainability, and future-focused learning. Local employers and partners got hands-on, exploring the labs and experiencing our workshops first-hand.

The night also celebrated our incredible employers at the [South Thames Colleges Group](#) Employer Awards 2025. Guests were welcomed by Cllr Martin Whelton and Peter Mayhew-Smith, Group Principal & CEO, recognising employers who give students real-world experience, careers advice, and opportunities to shine.

👏 Congratulations to all our winners and nominees – together, we're shaping the future! Here's to green innovation, strong partnerships, and celebrating excellence!







We welcome all employers to tour our advanced facilities across the Group to experience our environment, witness our operations up close and discover new opportunities for collaboration.

To schedule a visit, contact [business@stcg.ac.uk](mailto:business@stcg.ac.uk)

## LSIP

**South London Partnership and Merton College proudly co-hosted the South London Skills Summit 2025 on Thursday 20 November.**

The summit brought together around 100 key partners, stakeholders and employers to explore progress on the South London annex of the Local Skills Improvement Plan (LSIP) and to showcase the innovative programmes shaping skills provision across the region.

Throughout the day, attendees heard from a range of guest speakers and took part in facilitated group discussions focused on the skills South London needs both now and in the future. Insights gathered during the summit will play an important role in informing the upcoming refresh of the South London LSIP.

The event was catered for by our talented Level 2 Hospitality and Level 3 Catering students, who prepared an outstanding culinary experience for all guests.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended, contributed and helped make the day such a success.





## Other News

Thank you to those employers who supported Green Skills Week 2025! 🌱

We are deeply grateful for your generous donation we received which is already making a real difference for our students. Your support helps empower young people to build vital green skills, inspiring them to make informed choices for a more sustainable future. Together, we're equipping the next generation with the tools and confidence to lead the way in tackling climate challenges. ❤️

Thank you to:

Caitlin Longley, Creative Bricks for the Eco Lowie bricks.

H&E Smith Limited, for the Eco Glazed slip bricks

Anthony McCorkell, for the Wondergrip Gloves

If you would like to donate construction samples, please do let us know at [business@stcg.ac.uk](mailto:business@stcg.ac.uk)





*1 - Toby Costin from CREW Energy was a guest speaker on the 18th Nov insight day. He is working closely with the curriculum team and has offered work experience on CREW Energy projects around Wandsworth.*

*If you would like to offer an insight day to our students contact [business@stcg.ac.uk](mailto:business@stcg.ac.uk)*

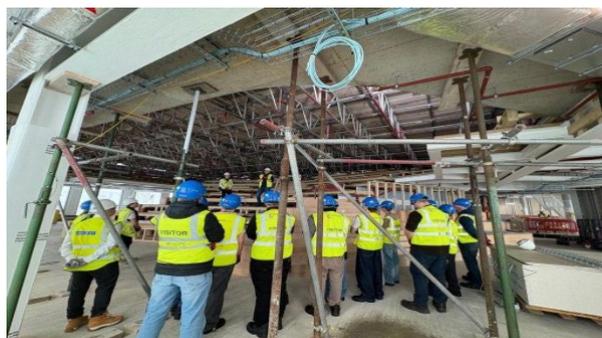
## Overbury visit

Kingston College Electrical students had a great start to the half term with an exciting site visit to the impressive new Unilever building. Over two mornings, two groups of Level 2 Electrical students were welcomed by Overbury, the company managing the building's internal fit-out, who provided excellent hospitality throughout.

The visit began with an engaging overview of how large-scale construction projects come together and how those starting their careers in the electrical sector play a vital role in the process. Students heard from representatives from Overbury as well as two of their subcontractors, Bancroft, the electrical contractor, and Kinley the AV contractor.

Once the students and staff were fully equipped with PPE, the group headed onto the site to explore a range of floors at various stages of completion. They also had the opportunity to see what will become the server room. At each point, the Bancroft and Overbury teams explained the progress of different phases and how each element connected within the wider project.

**Mia Fotheringham, Social Value Co-Ordinator for Overbury** said - “We have greatly enjoyed our collaboration with Kingston College, providing their electrical students with valuable on-site experience in our industry. We not only offered practical exposure but also gave the students concrete information and contacts regarding how to apply and secure employment upon completion of their college course.”





## National Apprenticeship Week, Monday 9th – Friday 13th of February 2026

⚡ Employers & Social value partners – we need your help! ⚡

Join us during National Apprenticeship Week 2026 (9th to 13th Feb) to support activities like:

- 🎤 Guest speaker sessions
- 🧠 Skills and employability workshops
- 🤝 Mock interviews & mentoring

 Careers Q&As

Your time = real impact. Let's inspire the next generation together! ✨

Want to get involved? Contact me at: [charlotte.howard@stcg.ac.uk](mailto:charlotte.howard@stcg.ac.uk) 

**#ApprenticeshipsWork**  **#SocialValue**  **#FutureTalent**  **#EmployerPartners** 

## **Upskill Your Workforce and Recruit New Talent with STCG**

South Thames Colleges Group is here to support your organisation to upskill existing staff and to assist with the recruitment and training of new employees. We are pleased to confirm that the following courses will have new cohorts starting in the new year.

### **Kingston College**

Level 3 Business Administration – (Hybrid delivery)

Level 5 People Professional (CIPD) – (Hybrid delivery)

Level 3 Engineering Technician

Level 3 Mechatronics Technician

Level 3 Engineering Fitter

Level 4 Engineering Manufacturing Technician

### **South Thames College, Wandsworth**

Level 3 Assistant Accountant (AAT)

Level 4 Professional Accounting Technician (AAT)

### **Carshalton College**

Level 2 Carpentry and Joinery

Please contact Rebecca Dalton, Business Partnership Manager, directly at [Rebecca.Dalton@stcg.ac.uk](mailto:Rebecca.Dalton@stcg.ac.uk) to arrange an initial discussion about how STCG can support you with accessing funding, recruitment and onboarding for your workforce development needs.

Looking towards to your September 2026 recruitment plans, please reach out to the team if are interested in learning more about the apprenticeships across our group that we have on offer. [business@stcg.ac.uk](mailto:business@stcg.ac.uk)

### **Carshalton College**

Level 2 Carpentry and Joinery

Level 3 Electrical Installation and Maintenance

Level 3 Plumbing and Domestic Heating Technician

### **Kingston College**

Level 2 Motor Vehicle /Autocare Technician

Level 3 Business Administrator (hybrid)

Level 3 Engineering Technician

Level 3 Mechatronics Technician

Level 3 Engineering Fitter

Level 3 Laboratory Technician

Level 4 Engineering Manufacturing Technician

Level 5 HR People Professional (CIPD) (hybrid)

Level 6 Chartered Management Degree (CMDA)

### **Merton College**

Level 4 Digital Product Manager (online)

### **South Thames College, Wandsworth**

Level 3 Assistant Accountant (AAT)

Level 4 Professional Accounting Technician (AAT)

Level 3 Civil Engineering

Level 4 Civil Engineering Senior Technician

**Creative Industries Centre**- did you know that you can rent our facilities? Please see below for more information.

**BigHead Recording Studios** - <https://stcg.ac.uk/kingston-college/facilities/bighead-recording-studios>

**Penny School Gallery** - <https://stcg.ac.uk/kingston-college/facilities/penny-school-gallery>

UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS:

L1 & 2 Art & Design Interim Exhibition: 10th - 17th January 2026

L3 Photography Interim Exhibition: 24th -31st January 2026

L3 Art & Design Interim Exhibition: February (dates tbc) 2026

Access & Foundation Interim Exhibition: 7th - 14th March 2026

Richmond Printmakers: 18th April - 1st May 2026

Staff Show: 16th - 29th May 2026

The Summer Show: 15th - 27th June 2026

*Main Event: 17th June 3-7pm*

**TV Studio** - <https://stcg.ac.uk/kingston-college/facilities/tv-studio>

**Explore our Adult short evening courses** - <https://sites.google.com/view/evening-courses/home>

**Follow us on Instagram!** [https://www.instagram.com/kingston.college\\_creatives/](https://www.instagram.com/kingston.college_creatives/)

*Speak to Lauren Mason [Lauren.Mason@stcg.ac.uk](mailto:Lauren.Mason@stcg.ac.uk) about hiring the gallery*

## **Term dates 2025-26**

### **Spring Term**

**Monday 5th January 2026 – Friday 27th March 2026**

Half term: Monday 16th February 2026 – Friday 20th February 2026

Easter break: Monday 30th March 2026 – Sunday 12th April 2026

### **Summer Term**

**Monday 13th April 2026 – Friday 3rd July 2026**

Half term: Monday 25th May 2026 – Friday 29th May 2026

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STCG will be closed over the Christmas period from Monday 22nd December 2025 to Friday 2nd January 2026

Have a great Christmas!



With best wishes from Sharon, Charlotte, Rebecca Maggie and Kathryn