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NHS flu and COVID vaccine programmes to begin on 11 September

As the summer draws to a close we want to ensure all our residents stay healthy and well over the autumn and winter period. This is why we are pleased to support the early introduction of the NHS COVID and flu vaccination programmes.

Millions of eligible people across the country will now be offered a COVID vaccine from 11 September, in line with the latest expert guidance on the new COVID variant.

This change follows an announcement by the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) on the risks presented by the new BA.2.86 variant and pre-emptive measures the NHS has been asked to take.

The adult COVID and flu vaccination programmes had been due to start in October to maximise protection over the winter months, but now those most at risk, including adult care home residents, will be vaccinated from 11 September.

The NHS has been asked to bring the programme forward and will be working quickly to ensure as many eligible people as possible are vaccinated by the end of October.

We want to encourage everyone who is eligible to get your protection against both COVID and flu as soon as possible once invited – it will help protect you and those around you this winter.

Find out more



Additional £9.1 million invested to improve Cornwall's road network

We've just announced an additional £9.1 million of capital investment into maintaining and repairing Cornwall's roads.

We already invests around £40 million a year in maintaining and improving the 7,250 kilometres (4,530 miles) road network, which ranges from busy A roads to narrow rural roads.

This £9.1 million of capital funding means that an additional 78km of roads will be programmed in for resurfacing – equivalent to the distance between Camborne and Liskeard.

We have also received specific funding of £5 million from the Department for Transport, who recognise that this is a national issue, to deal with potholes. The money will be used to repair potholes and to fund wider surface treatment.

Find out more



Could you be a foster carer?

Is the house a bit quiet these days? Have your children left home? If you're missing the bustle of a busy home and want to do something fulfilling with your time, we want to hear from you.

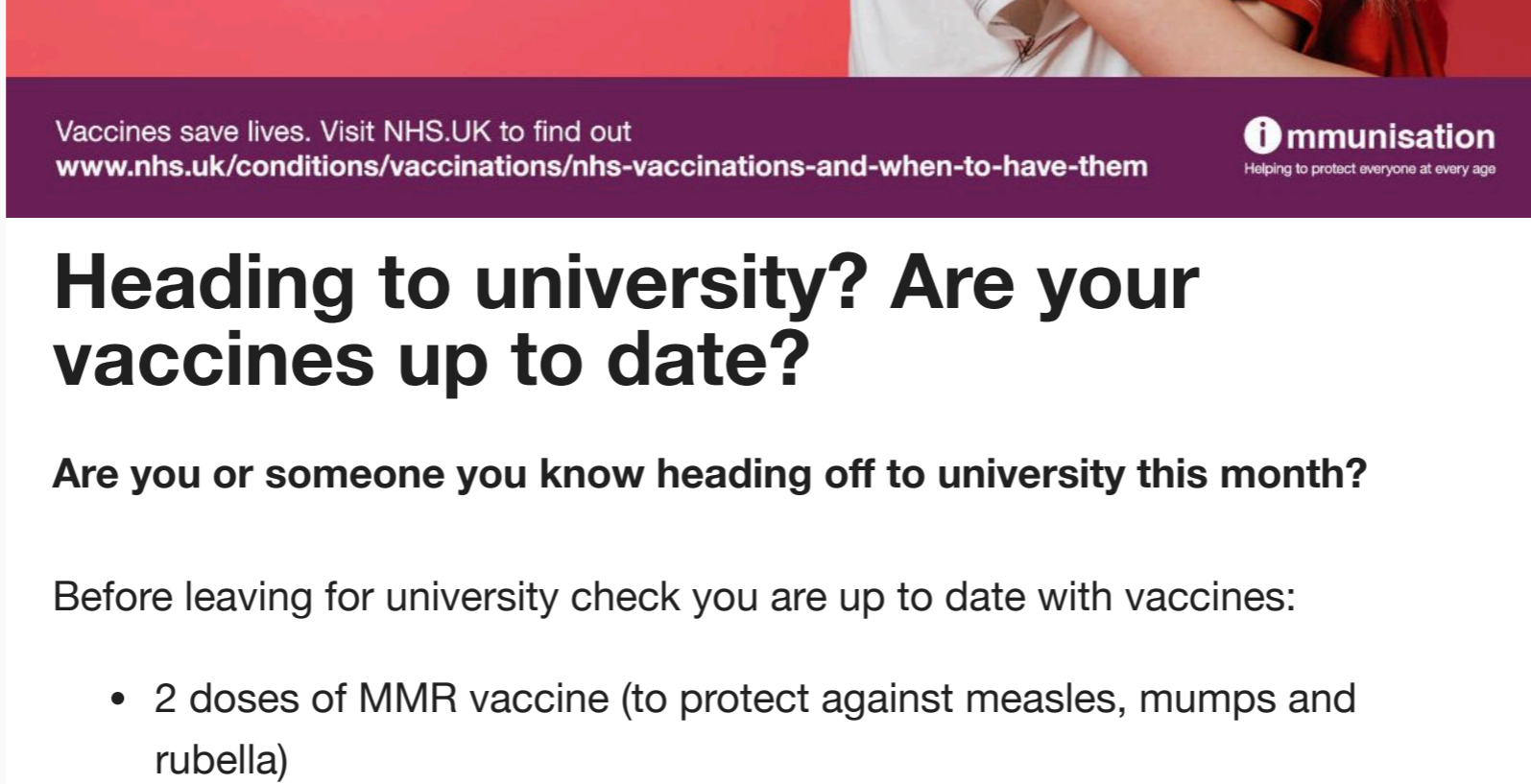
Thirty children a week need a place to call home. You'll be offering these babies, children and young people some stability and can help them realise their potential.

There are many different ways to foster – from full time fostering to looking after children whilst their guardians are taking a break. Why not take that first step and call us for an informal chat to find out more.

Fostering isn't always pretty, but it's pretty amazing.

Call 01872 323638 or visit our website.

Find out more



Heading to university? Are your vaccines up to date?

Are you or someone you know heading off to university this month?

Before leaving for university check you are up to date with vaccines:

- 2 doses of MMR vaccine (to protect against measles, mumps and rubella)
- 1 dose of MenACWY vaccine (to protect against meningitis and septicaemia)
- Know the signs and symptoms of meningitis and septicaemia
- Know how to seek medical advice

Once you get to university you should:

- register with a GP as soon as you can - don't wait until you have a problem
- arrange with your GP to catch up on any vaccines you have missed

Vaccines save lives.

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Supercharge your Career with Skills Bootcamps this September

Ready to take the next step in your career?

Train4Tomorrow Skills Bootcamps offer a wide range of free, flexible courses for adults in Devon and Cornwall.

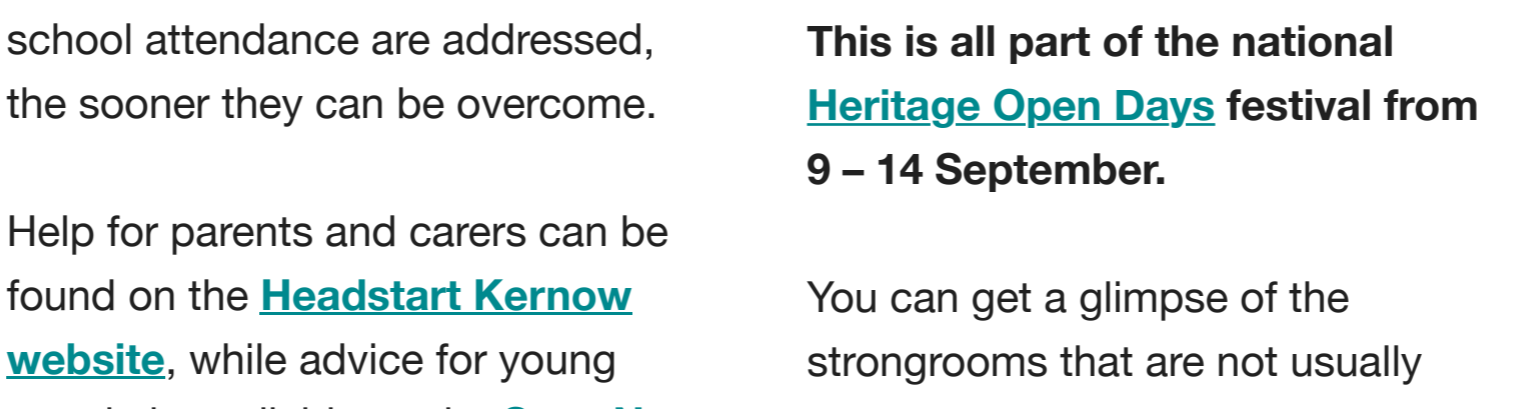
Our courses, starting in September cover the region's most in demand sectors; digital, green, health and social care, construction, technical and professional.

The training is free and open to adults aged 19 or over, who are returning to work, self-employed, employed full-time or part-time or returning to work. Plus, to help boost your career, learners are guaranteed an interview with a local employer upon completion of the course!

So, whether you want to improve your leadership skills, retrain as a chef, or learn new digital skills, we have a range of courses open to help you to reach your next goal. Check out the full course list here.

Applications are open right now for courses starting in September and beyond, head to www.Train4tomorrow.org.uk to find out more and apply today!

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There are lots of reasons why children and young people struggle when starting or returning to school.

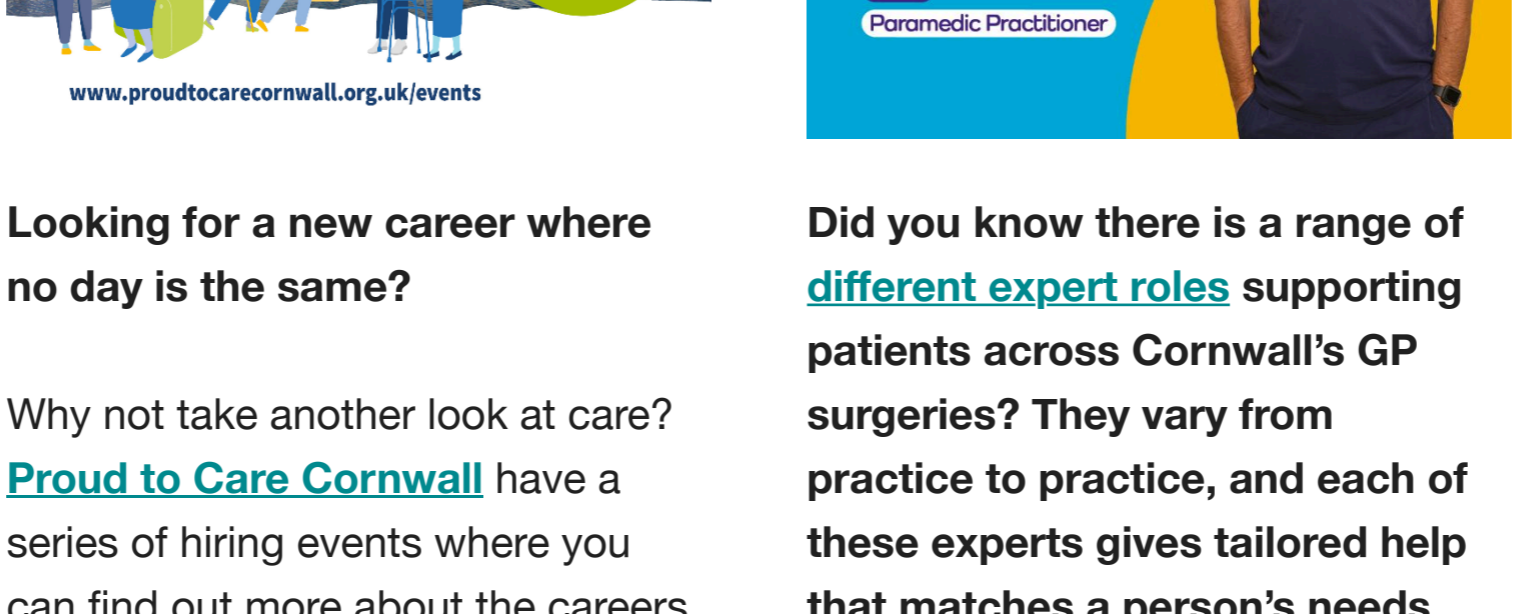
But equally there is plenty of support, advice and guidance available. The sooner barriers to school attendance are addressed, the sooner they can be overcome.

Help for parents and carers can be found on the Headstart Kernow website, while advice for young people is available on the Start Now website, which is run by young people for young people.

Kresen Kernow, home to the world's largest collection of documents, maps, books and photographs about Cornwall's history, is opening its strongrooms for exclusive behind the scenes tours.

This is all part of the national Heritage Open Days festival from 9 – 14 September.

You can get a glimpse of the strongrooms that are not usually open to the public with free guided tours, but booking is essential.



Looking for a new career where no day is the same?

Why not take another look at care? Proud to Care Cornwall have a series of hiring events where you can find out more about the careers available - and could even get a conditional job offer on the day!

The first event is in Penzance on 7 September at St Johns Hall, 10-5pm. Why not come along and have a chat?

Did you know there is a range of different expert roles supporting Cornwall's GP surgeries? They vary from practice to practice, and each of these experts gives tailored help that matches a person's needs.

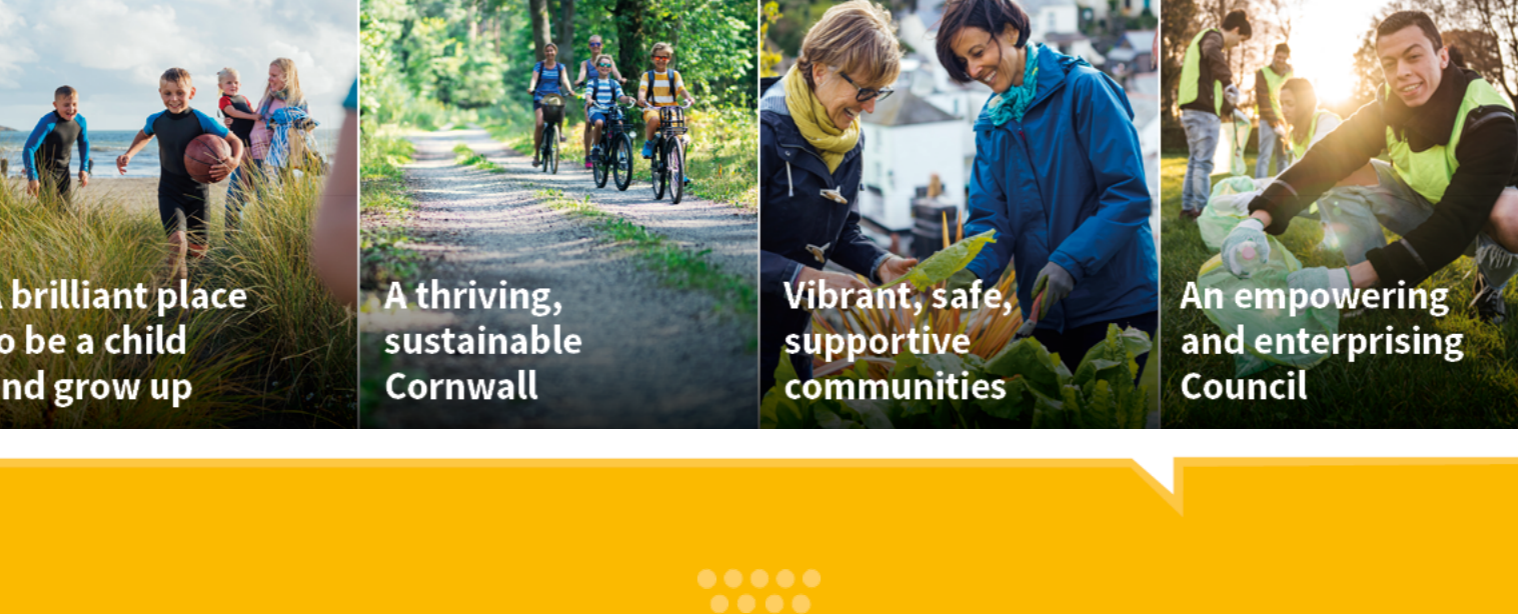
We are keen to know your views on local health and care services; good, bad, or anything in between! Please fill in our survey: letstalk.cornwall.gov.uk/integrated-carestrategy/survey/tools/ics2

News in brief

[Truro Cathedral](#) is holding a service of reflection for those affected by suicide on Sunday, 10 September at 2pm to mark World Suicide Prevention Day. The service is a collaboration between the Cathedral, Cornwall's Suicide Liaison Service, and members of the County's Multi Agency Suicide Prevention Group. All are welcome, of all faiths or none

[South West Water](#) has confirmed that they will lift the hosepipe restrictions in Cornwall and Upper Tamar on 25 September. Since the restrictions have been in place, there have been positive developments due to the collaboration of customers, South West Water's investments, and recent rainfall.

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