



# Holy Family Catholic School



## March Careers Newsletter

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This Month's newsletter will focus on the Royal Navy.

### Why join the Royal Navy?

The Royal Navy makes you part of something special. Part of a team. Protecting our nation's interests, all over the world.

### Serving Your Country

Joining the Royal Navy isn't just about being willing, it's about being ready. You'll be given the skills you need to respond to diverse situations, from knowing how to use weaponry, to understanding radar systems. Few careers come with this much responsibility. Fewer still make such a difference to our everyday lives, every day.



Welcome to the next edition of the Careers Newsletter, this month will look at various roles within the Royal Navy which is part of the British Armed Forces.

### Roles in the Royal Navy

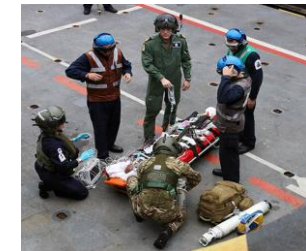
- Warfare Specialist
- Warfare Specialist (Submarines)
- Air Engineer Officer
- Air Technician
- Aircraft Controller
- Cadet Deck Officer (RFA)
- Cadet Marine Officer (RFA)
- Catering Services (Chef)
- Catering Services (Chef) Submariner
- Communication and Information Systems (RFA)
- Cryptologic Technician
- Dental Hygienist



<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers/role-finder>

### Navy Medical Services

Wherever we go, we need the medical support that will keep us healthy. You could be the only Medic on a submarine, or a Biomedical Scientist on board a ship in the Gulf. There's more to medicine in the Navy. From primary care in conflict zones, to specialising in radiation, you'll experience things you wouldn't as a civilian



## Skills Builder

### What skills do you need for the Royal Navy?

First and foremost, being disciplined and organised are very important. If you cannot be disciplined and follow rules, you are putting yourself and your teammates in danger.

Regardless of the Navy Role you are applying for, there are a set of core skills and qualities you will need to demonstrate throughout the selection process, and those include being disciplined, organised, being able to follow rules and procedures, kit upkeep and personal administration, maintaining fitness levels, team working skills, communicating effectively, learning large job relevant information and also working with a diverse organisation where everyone is treated with dignity and respect.



## Entry Requirements

There are two distinct routes into the Royal Navy. You can either join as an officer, or as a rating. If you already know which level, you're eligible for, you can take a closer look at life in the Royal Navy, and the different roles that are available. Alternatively, you can browse based on your qualifications and discover what opportunities are open to you.

**Qualifications:** Certain Officer roles require you to have specific vocational degrees, however the minimum academic standard for entry as a Royal Navy Officer is 5 GCSEs A-C (9-4) which must include English language and mathematics at grade B/6 or above, and 96 UCAS points gained from A Levels or accepted equivalents.



## Navy Life

### Serving at sea

Your days will be split into shifts known as 'watches'. 'On watch' is when you carry out your duties and 'off watch' is when you can relax, socialise, watch a movie, play video games, or use the onboard exercise facilities. In that respect, it's not that different to an everyday job, except the view from your 'office' will change every day. It's important to remain healthy in the Navy and fit for duty. So, you'll receive free healthcare services ashore and at sea, provided by highly trained doctors, dentists and nurses working in modern, well-equipped clinics and hospitals.

You'll find everything you need to play sport and keep fit on base, plus special interest clubs for activities such as dragon boat racing, skiing, scuba diving and sailing. Ships and submarines have gym equipment too plus other avenues for exercise. Exploring the world is one of the biggest bonuses of working with the Navy engaging with communities from overseas as well as personnel from other Navies. The experience you share will last a lifetime, as well as the friendships you make along the way.



### Parents & Guardians

With a family member in the Naval Service, families and friends can experience unique pressures, situations, and circumstances. Concerns are natural and everyone goes through them – even the families of long-serving personnel. But with extensive benefits, a dedicated welfare team (Naval Service Family and People Support (NS FPS)) and a far-reaching support network, help is always a click, tap or phone call away.

<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers/navy-life/families/information-for-families>

### Videos of Navy Life

<https://youtu.be/sME606xsT54>  
[https://youtu.be/hE1vmlKn\\_wM](https://youtu.be/hE1vmlKn_wM)  
<https://youtu.be/M0gMo-sHz1Y>  
[Made in the Royal Navy. on Vimeo](https://vimeo.com/123456789)  
<https://youtu.be/w2seAW0KZaw>  
<https://youtu.be/4lf8FXL1nAc>  
<https://youtu.be/4nQWafYKAi8>  
[Peregrine Trophy | Royal Navy \(mod.uk\)](https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers/navy-life/families/information-for-families)



## The future of the British Armed Forces (Navy)

The future of the Royal Navy and how it could further embrace autonomous technology, including drones, has been unveiled.

Led by a design challenge for young engineers from UK Naval Engineering Science and Technology (UKNEST), the Royal Navy will develop a Future Autonomous Fleet programme that could shape how it operates over the next 50 years.

Stemming from the design challenge, the future vision envisages drones based in the stratosphere to be launched at a moment's notice; uncrewed fast attack crafts housing smaller autonomous boats; aircraft carriers propelled by both sea-based biofuels and wind power; and an underwater flagship at the centre of the fleet. Other conceptual ideas include the increased use of artificial intelligence to assist with low-level planning and underwater transport units carrying anything from munitions to food. Although in the conceptual phase, the Royal Navy is on track to implement one of these futuristic visions into reality over the coming decade – The Persistent Operational Deployment Systems (PODS).

<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/What-We-Do-Preventing-Conflict-mod.uk>  
<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/news-and-latest-activity/news/2021/march/22/20210322-defence-review>



## What are the roles and responsibilities of the Navy?

In times of peace and conflict, the Royal Navy is key to Britain's prosperity and success. We help to stabilise the seas, keeping the maritime trade that's the lifeblood of the UK economy flowing. We act as a guardian and a diplomat, as a humanitarian force for good, and a peacekeeper on the global stage.

## What is the safest role in the Navy?

Most of the safest jobs in the marines are mainly occupy administrative roles. The same as with Army Branch, they are about Human Resources, Clothing Repair, Finance, Law, and so on.

## Britannia Royal Naval College

The College's contribution to defence today is as relevant as ever, through Initial Officer Training, enduring leadership training, and support to Defence Diplomacy outputs through the training of international officers. Underpinning all aspects of training at BRNC remain the aim to deliver courageous leaders with the spirit to fight and win.

<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/our-organisation/bases-and-stations/training-establishments/brnc-dartmouth>

## Useful Websites

<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/our-people/skills-and-disciplines>  
<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/our-people/diversity-and-inclusion>  
<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/our-people/expertise-in-extreme-environments>  
<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers/royal-marines>  
<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers/roles-and-specialisations>  
<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers/whats-right-for-me/levels-of-entry-an-introduction>  
<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers/navy-life/a-day-in-the-life>

