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Learners Guide 2020-21

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After year 11 you have choices about what you can do, but you do need to stay in education or training until your 18th birthday. You could:

- study full time at school or college;
- get an apprenticeship;
- do a training course or
- work or volunteer, if you still study part time.

Deciding what to do can be difficult, visit **KentChoices.info/Advice/Year11** to explore your options.

If you want to find out about school and college courses in your area, use **Kentchoices**. Then, when you are ready, use it to apply, track your application and stay in touch with the schools or colleges you have applied to.

Your school will give you your KentChoices login code.

If you need to speak to someone about your options, your school will be able to help, visit the virtual open events schools and colleges are holding and talk to your family or friends.

If we do go into lockdown again, use the KentChoices website to keep up to date. The Education People will stay in touch with you until you turn 18 in case you ever need help. The links below explains how we do this. You can contact us on KentChoices@theeducationpeople.org

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We wish you all the best for the future.

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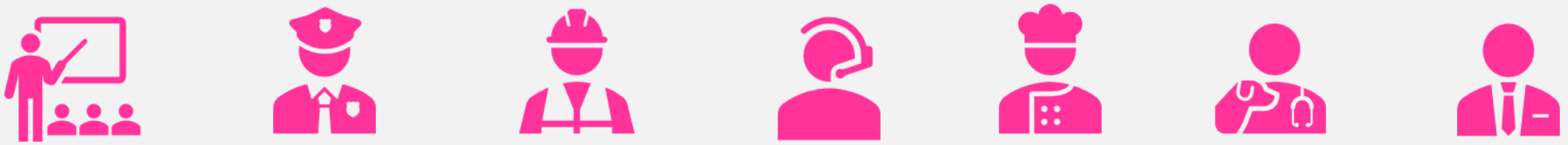
It's Your Future – Your Choice!

When you are in Year 11 it's time to start thinking about your future.

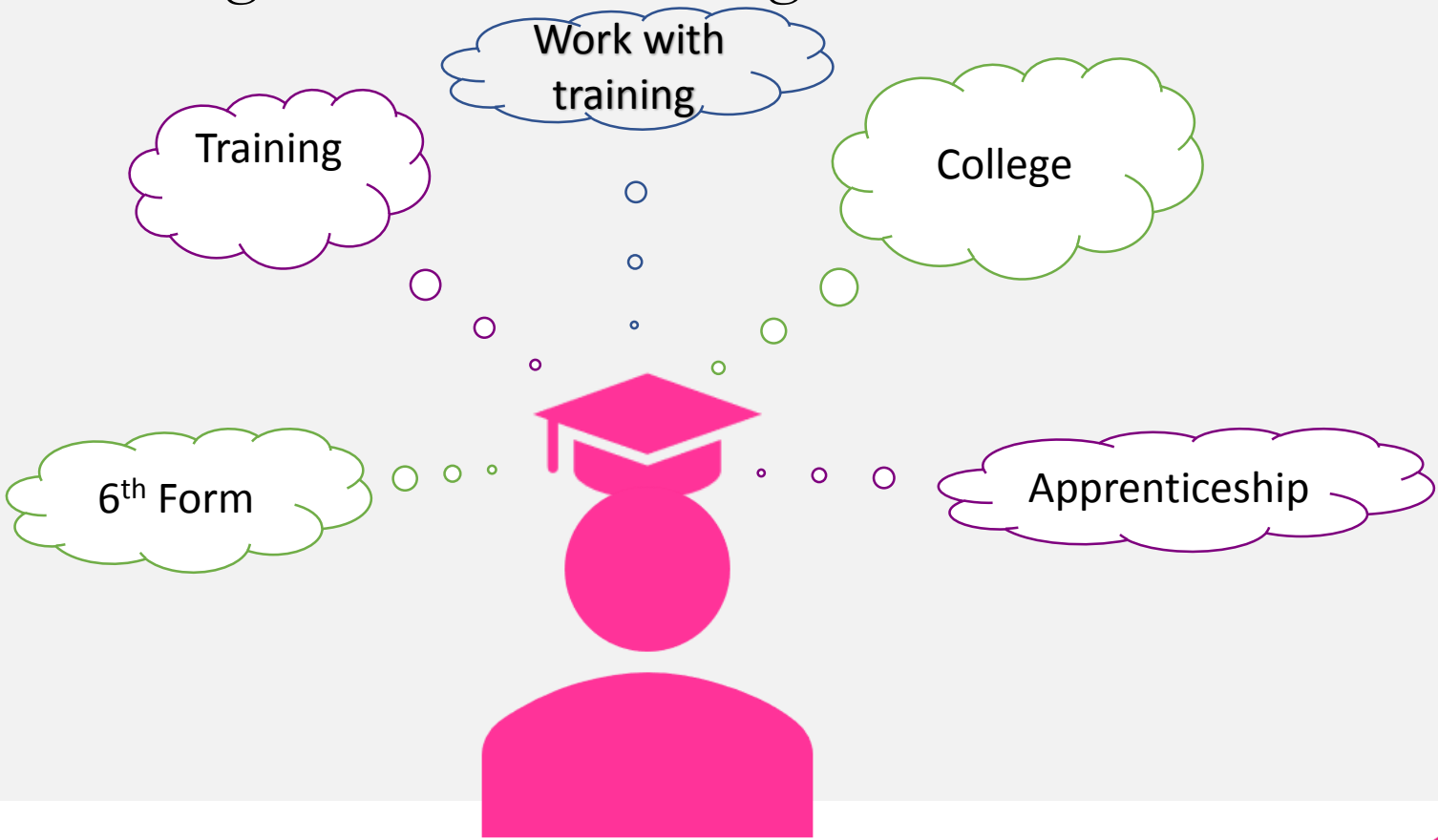


You need to stay in education or training until you are 18 years old, but how you do this is up to you ....

It's your choice!

Making Your Choice

This can be an exciting but also confusing time as there are so many options ...



KentChoices Are Here To Help!

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- Our website has information on Kent's sixth form and college courses.
- You can use it to search, apply and track your applications.
- It has information on other opportunities, like apprenticeships, work and training.
- A range of resources to help you make the decision that is right for you.

Need Help Making Your Decision?

- **Talk** to your school – they can provide you with impartial careers advice.
- **Speak** to parents, family and friends.
- **Contact** the National Careers Service for advice on **0800 100 900** or visit their website www.nationalcareers.service.gov.uk
- **Attend** virtual open events to see what other schools, colleges and training providers offer.
- **Visit** the KentChoices website's Help & Guidance section or get in touch with us.

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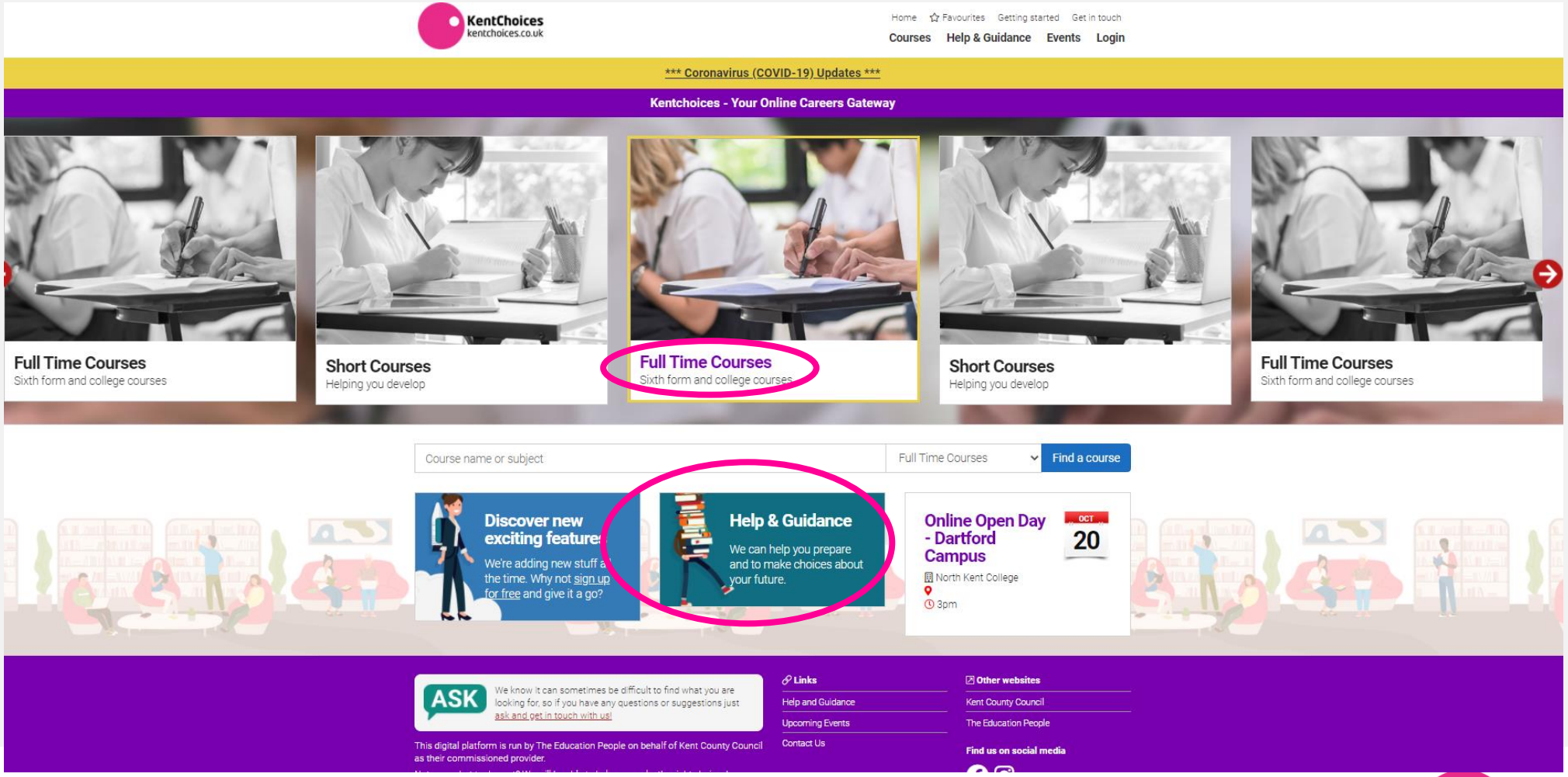

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The Online Application System

- **Search** for full time courses by school and college, sector, qualification or by distance.
- **View** full course details, entry requirements and when you can apply.
- **Apply** to different schools or colleges easily using one template.
- **Track** all your applications in one place and stay in touch with schools and colleges using your messaging centre.
- **Accept** or reject your offers and put these in order of preference.

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Your KentChoices Account

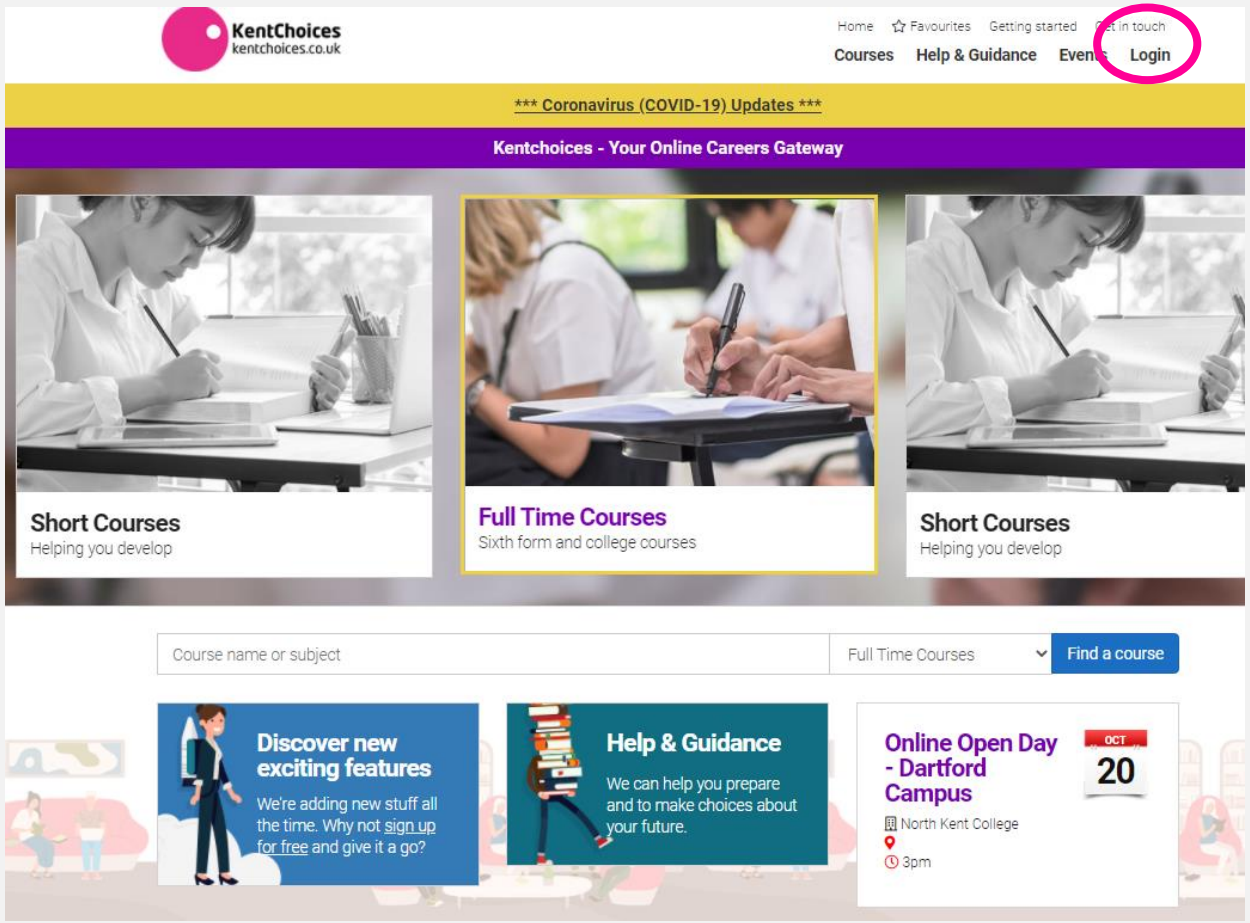
- We have created an account for you

- Your school will provide your login details.

****Keep these safe, you will need them throughout the year.****

- A letter to your parents/carers was sent explaining KentChoices.

Login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Helping you develop
Full Time Courses
Sixth form and college courses
Short Courses
Helping you develop
Course name or subject
Full Time Courses
Find a course
Discover new exciting features
We're adding new stuff all the time. Why not sign up for free and give it a go?
Help & Guidance
We can help you prepare and to make choices about your future.
Online Open Day - Dartford Campus
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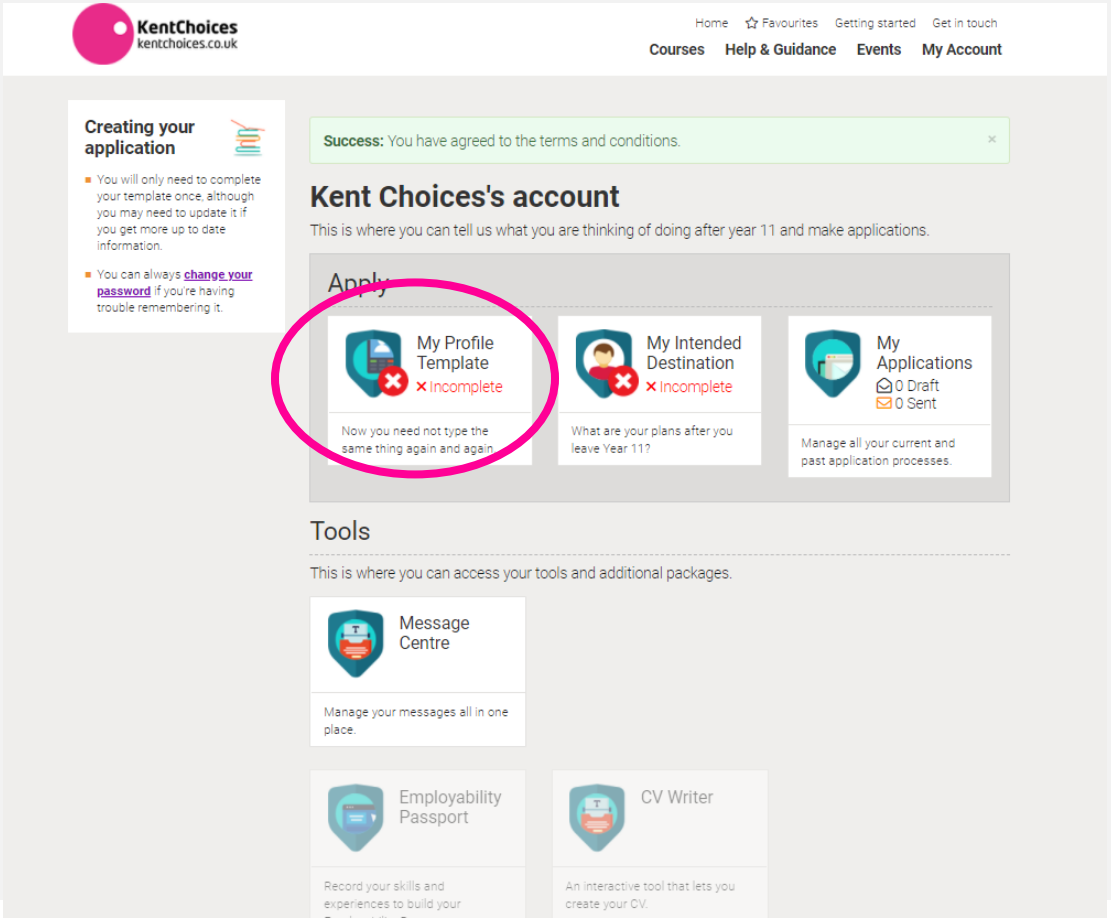
North Kent College
3pm

Your Home Dashboard



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My Profile Template

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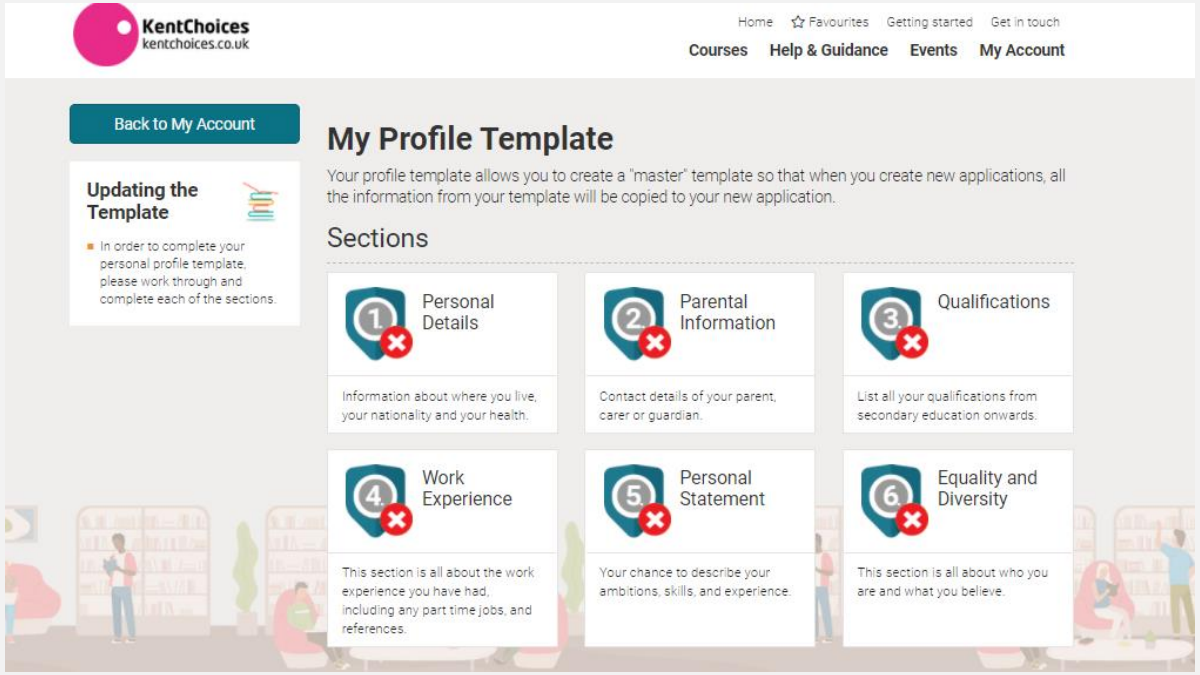
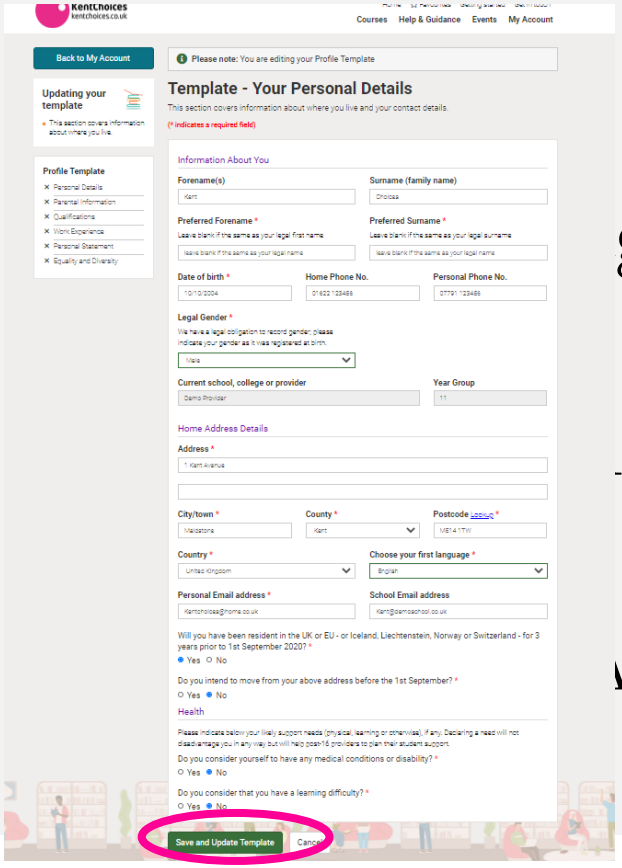


Minimum 2 – Maximum 5 applications.

My Profile Template - Personal Details

Check your details



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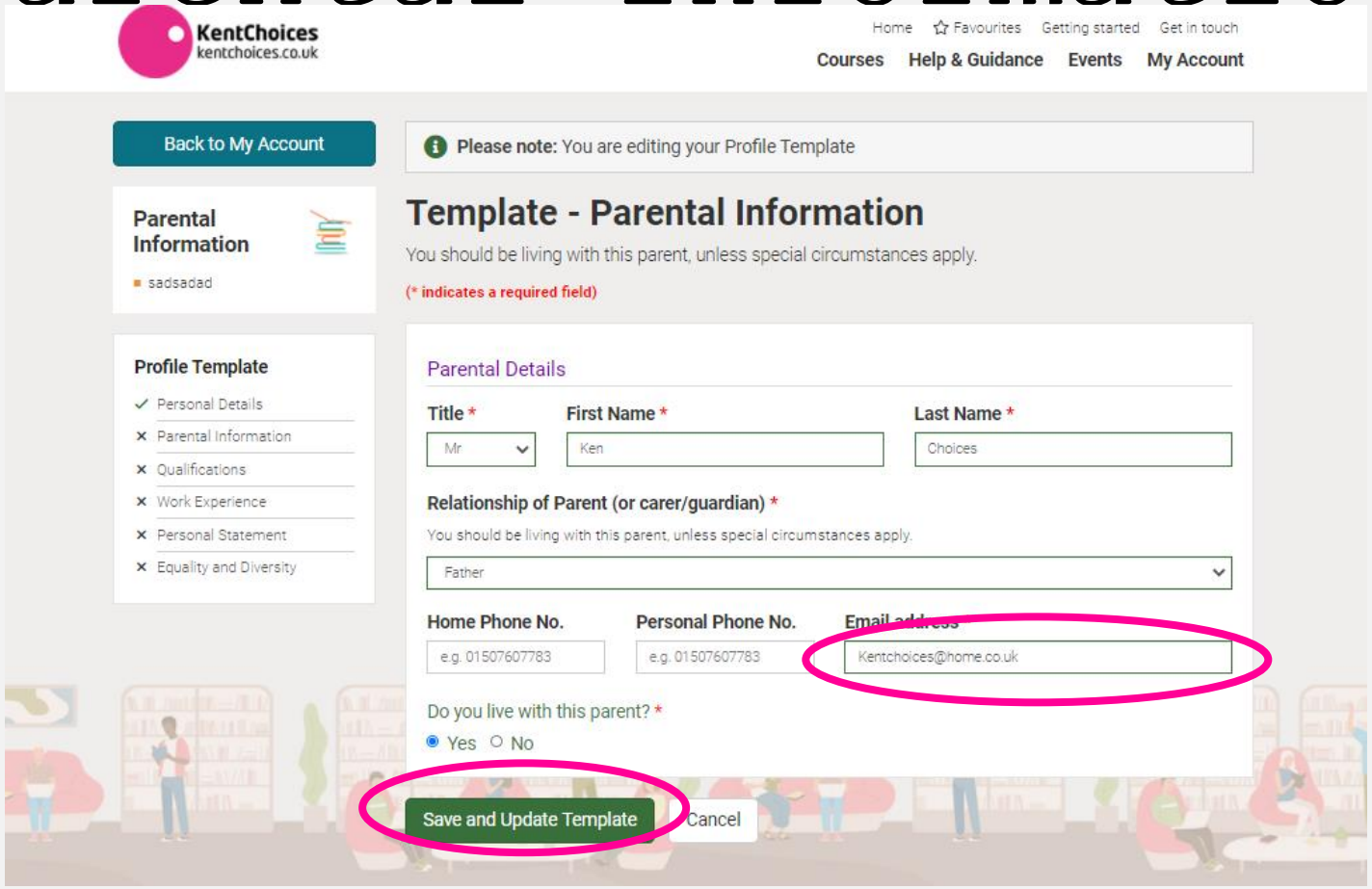
My Profile Template – Parental Information



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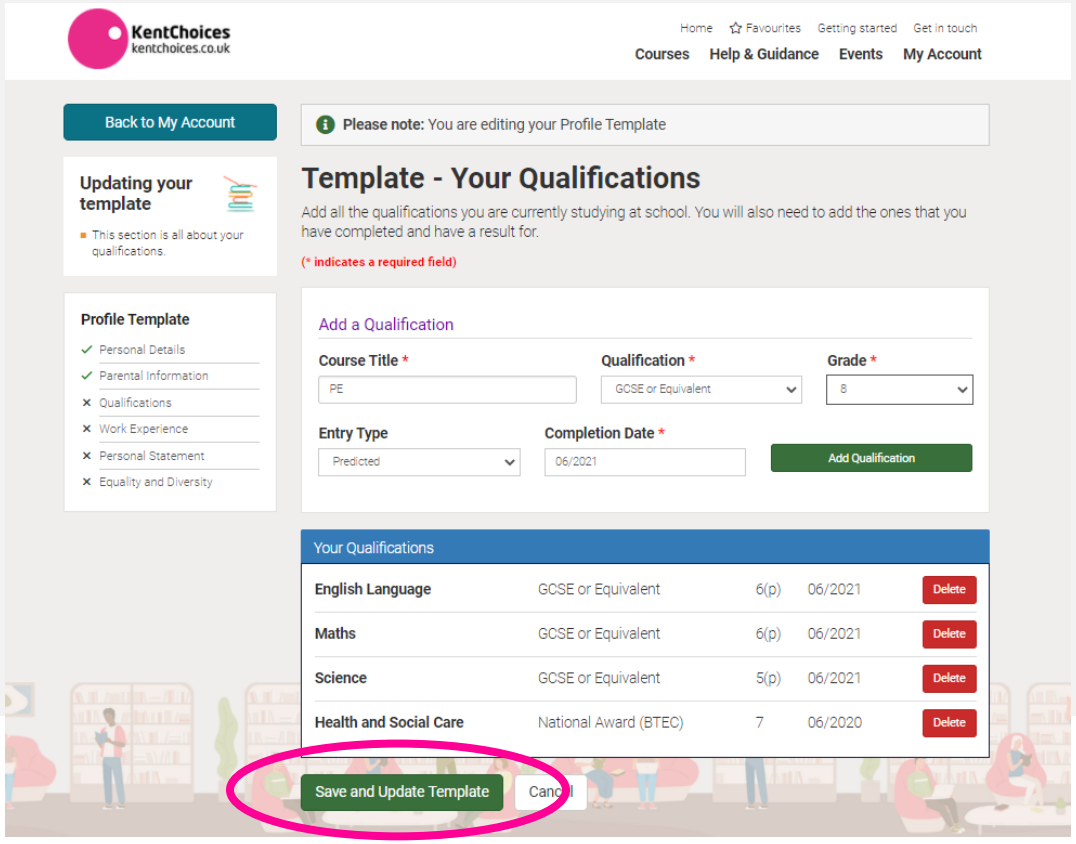
My Profile Template - Qualifications

Add **all** your qualifications that you are going to be taking under the **Predicted Entry Type** using the date of **06/2021**



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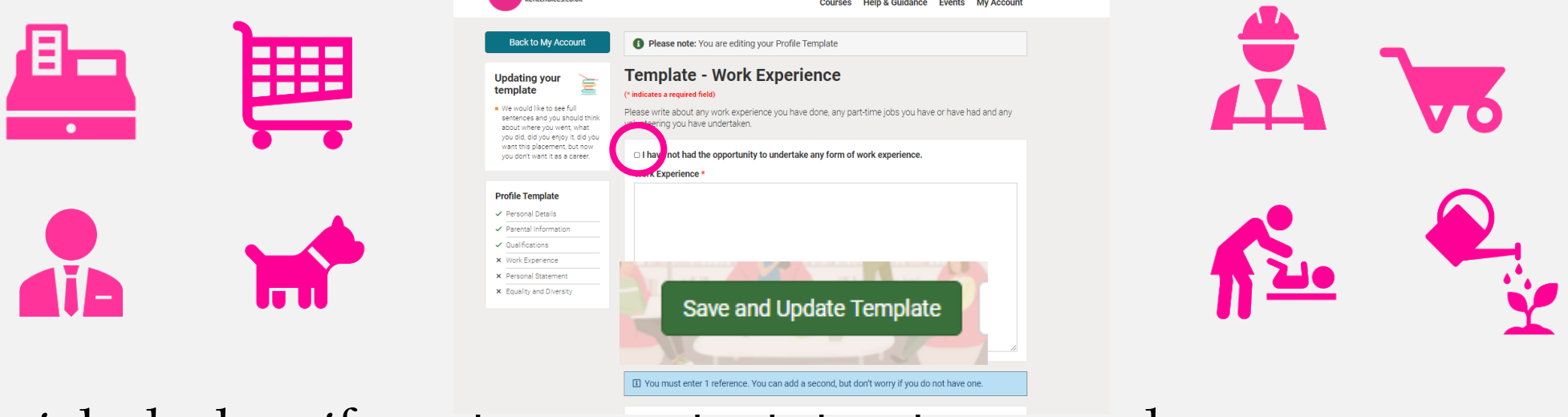
My Profile Template – Work Experience

Add details of any work experience you have done here.



Or tick the box if you have not had the chance to do any.

No need to enter any reference information

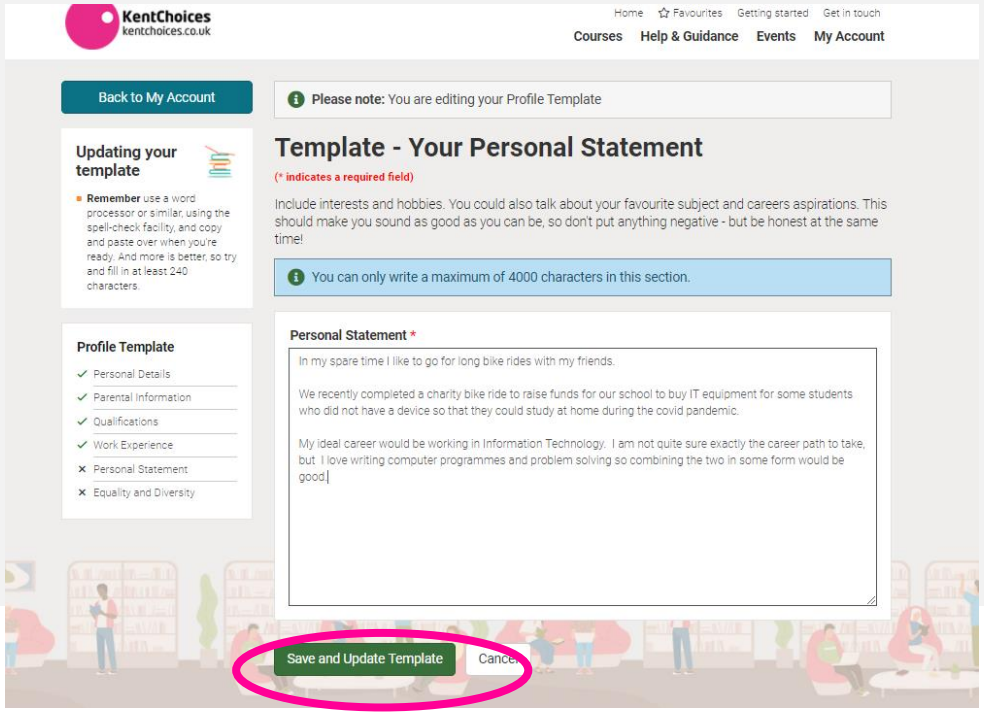
My Profile Template – Personal Statement

- Showcase your skills, experiences, hobbies and future ambitions.
- Strengthen your application.
- Good practice for the future – almost all job, apprenticeship or university applications will require one.
- 40 characters minimum and 4,000 maximum but not mandatory (can enter 40 blank spaces)

My Profile Template – Personal Statement

*** Top Tip ***

Complete this on a word document and copy and paste when you are ready – timeout feature.



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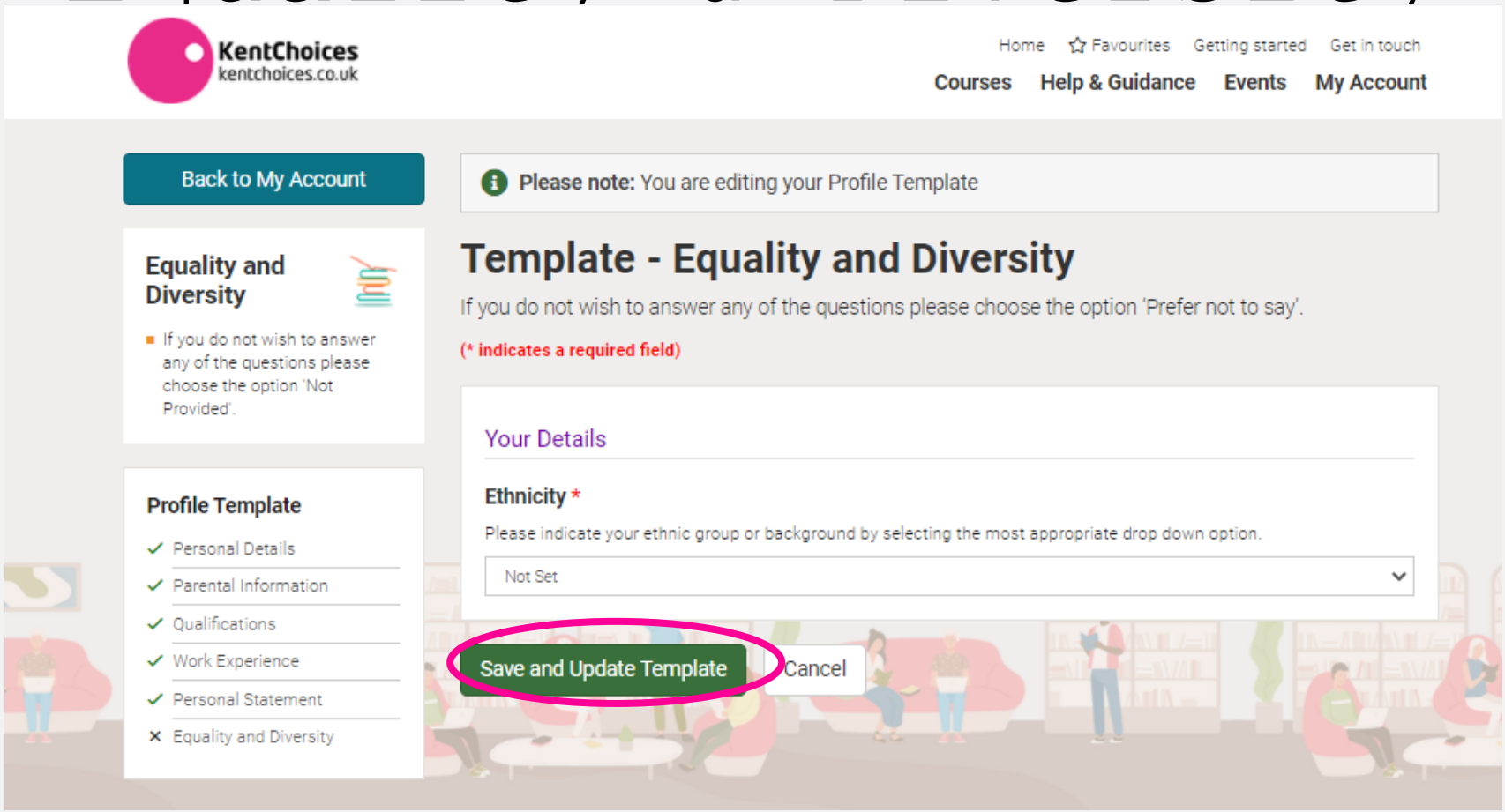

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My Profile Template - Complete

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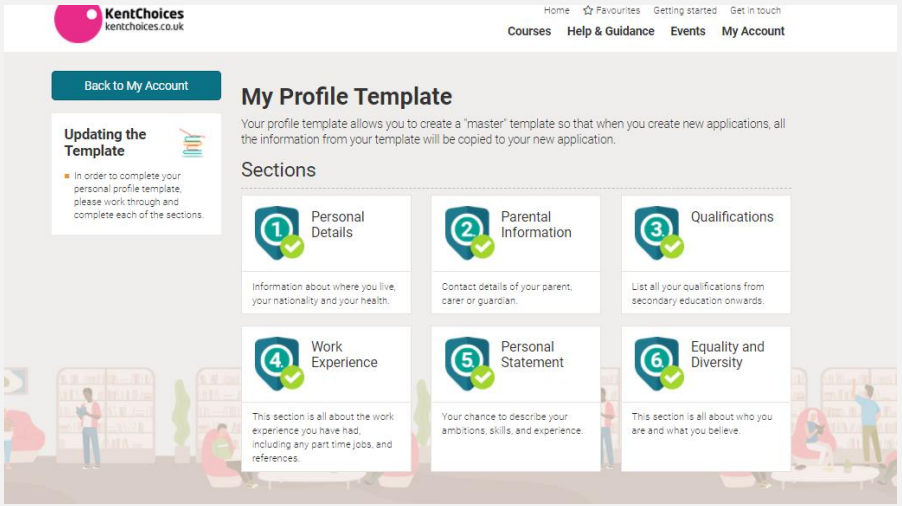

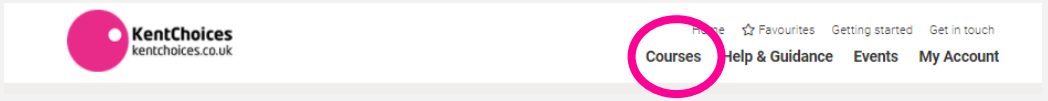

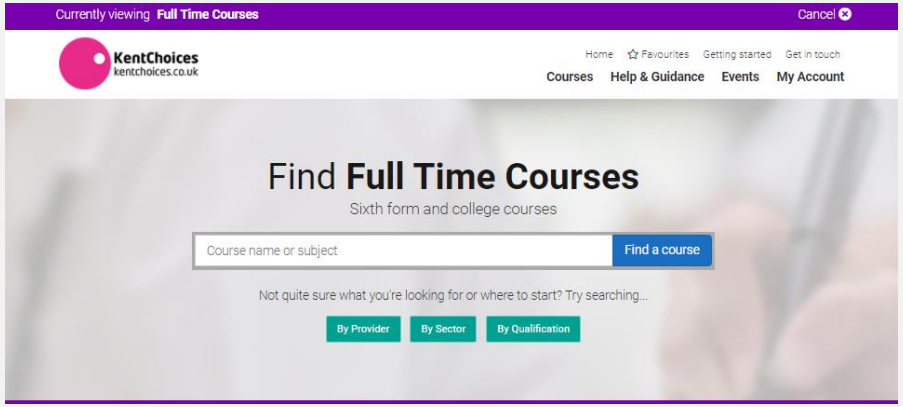

You can begin to search and apply for courses.

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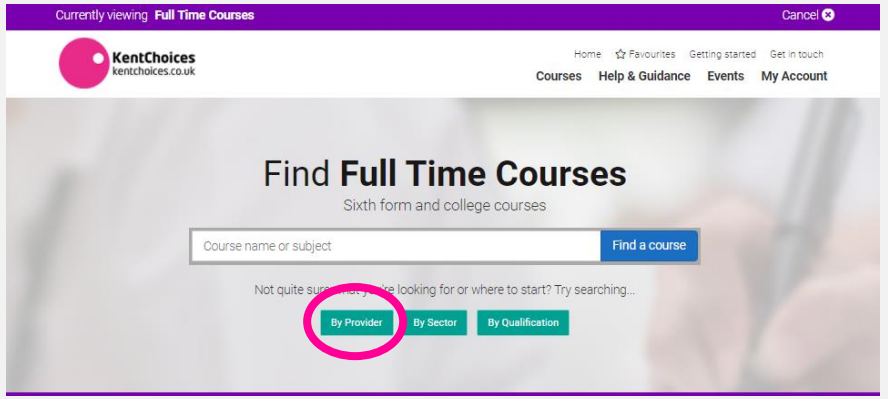

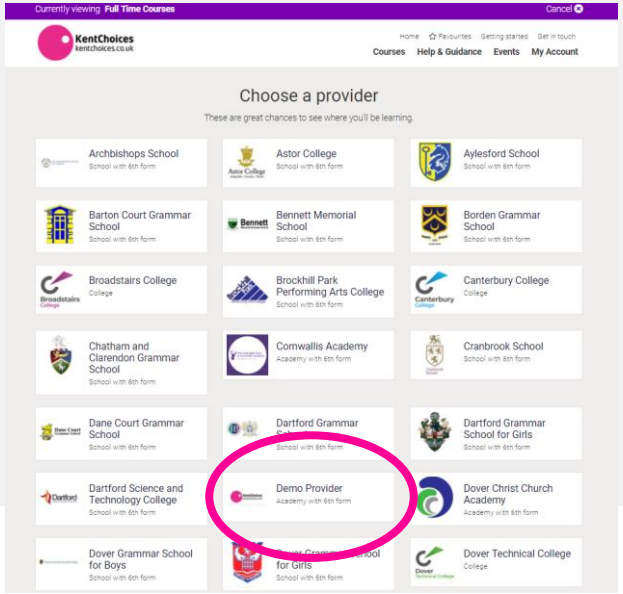

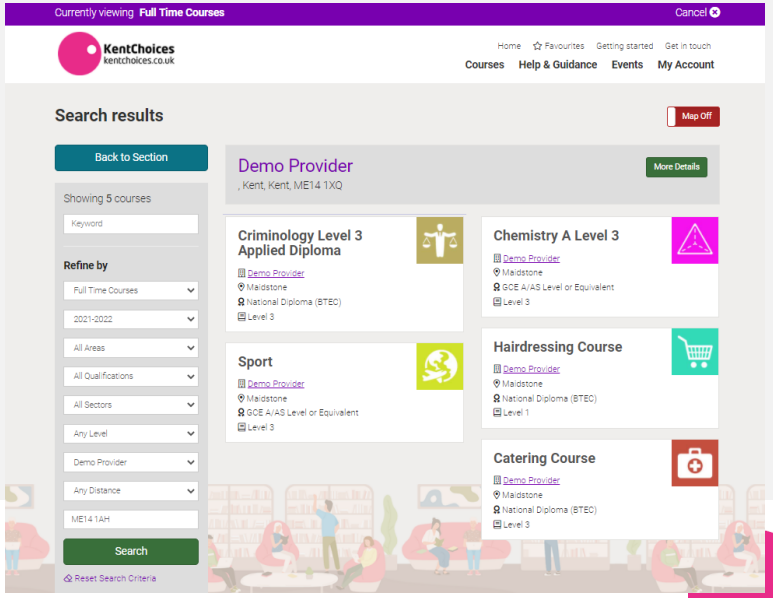

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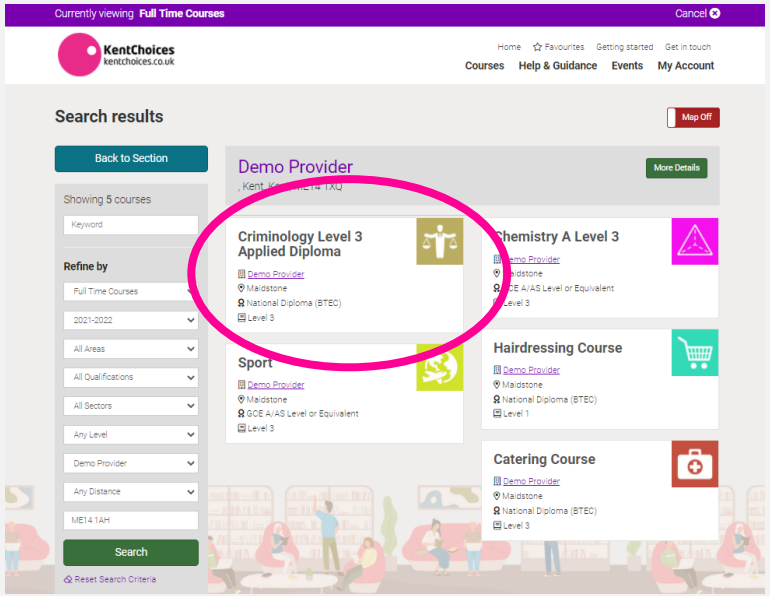

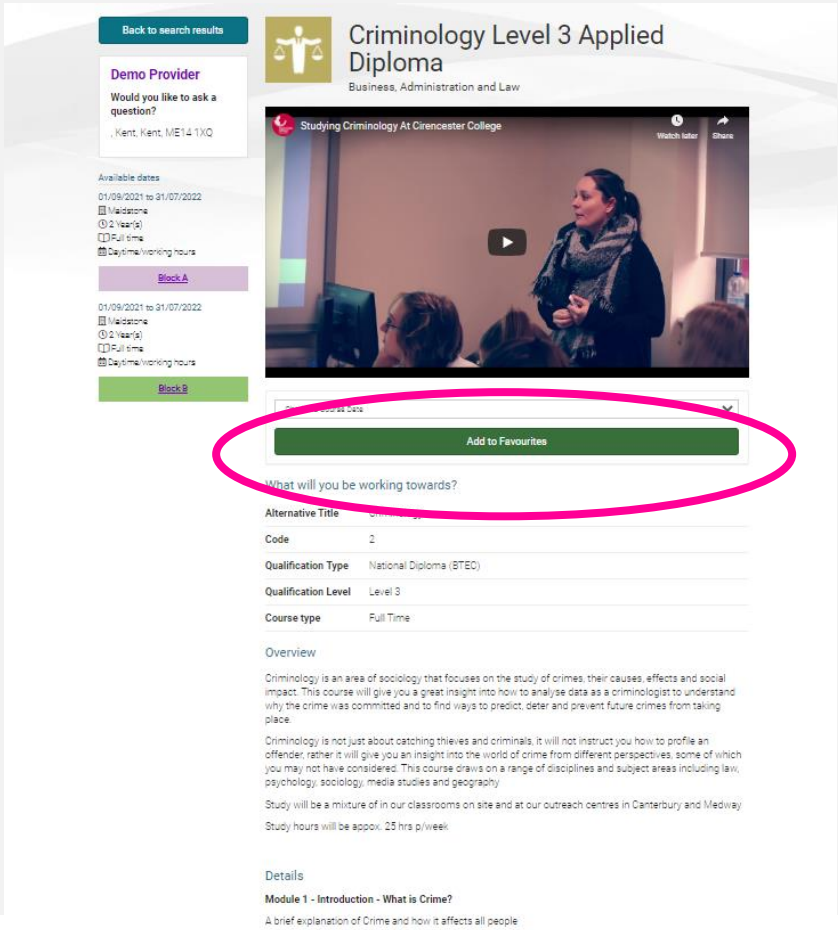

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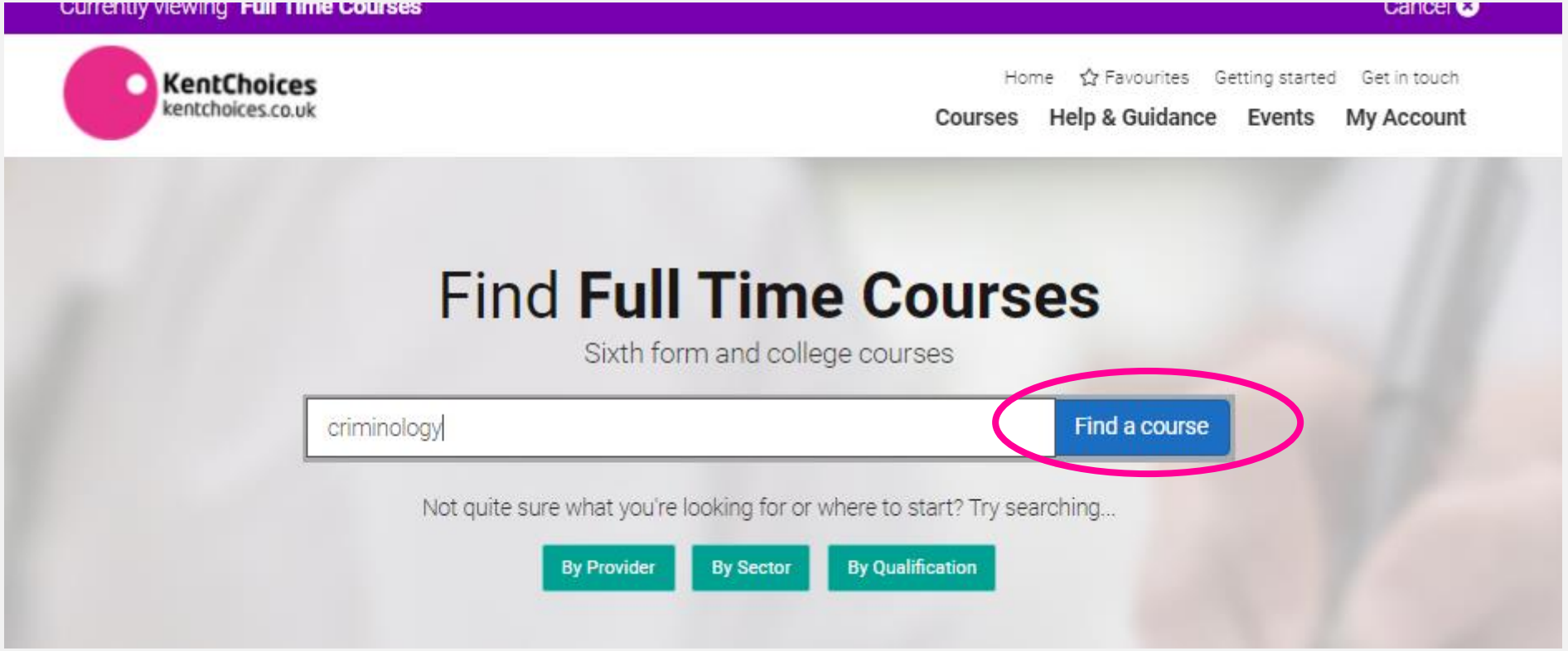

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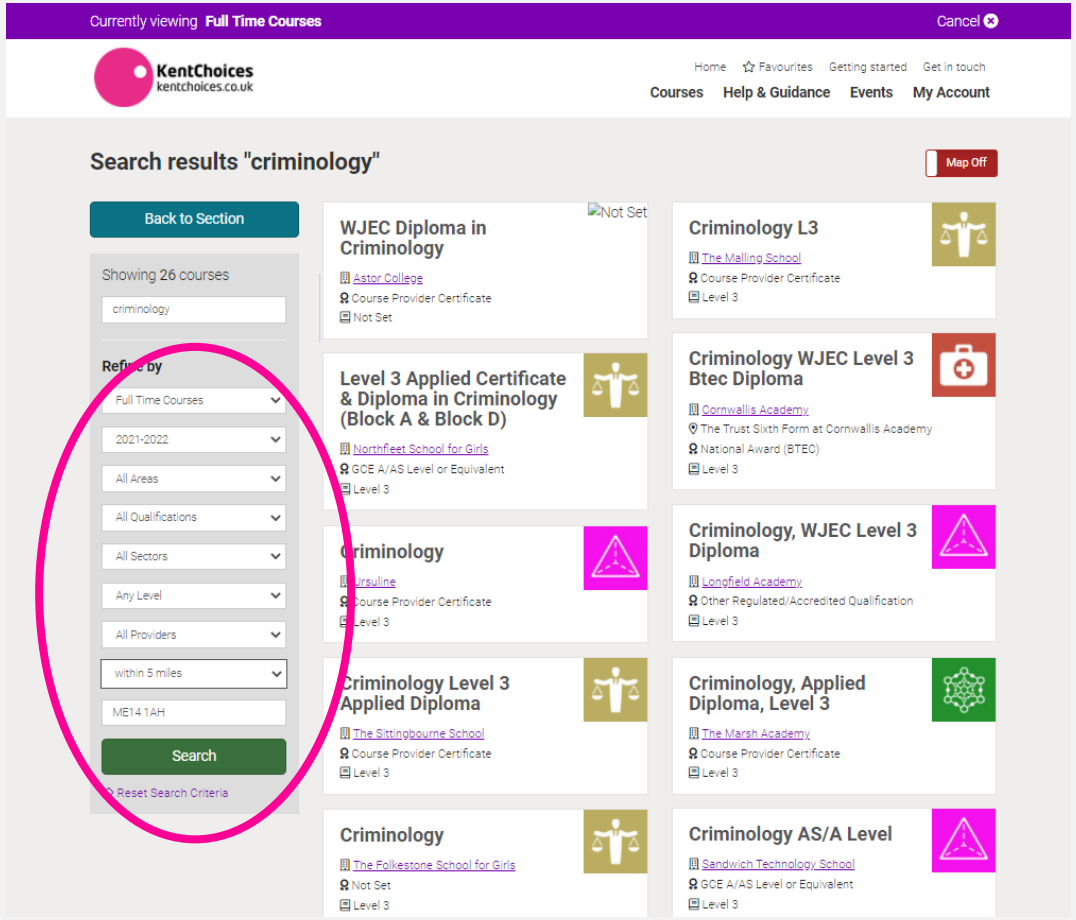

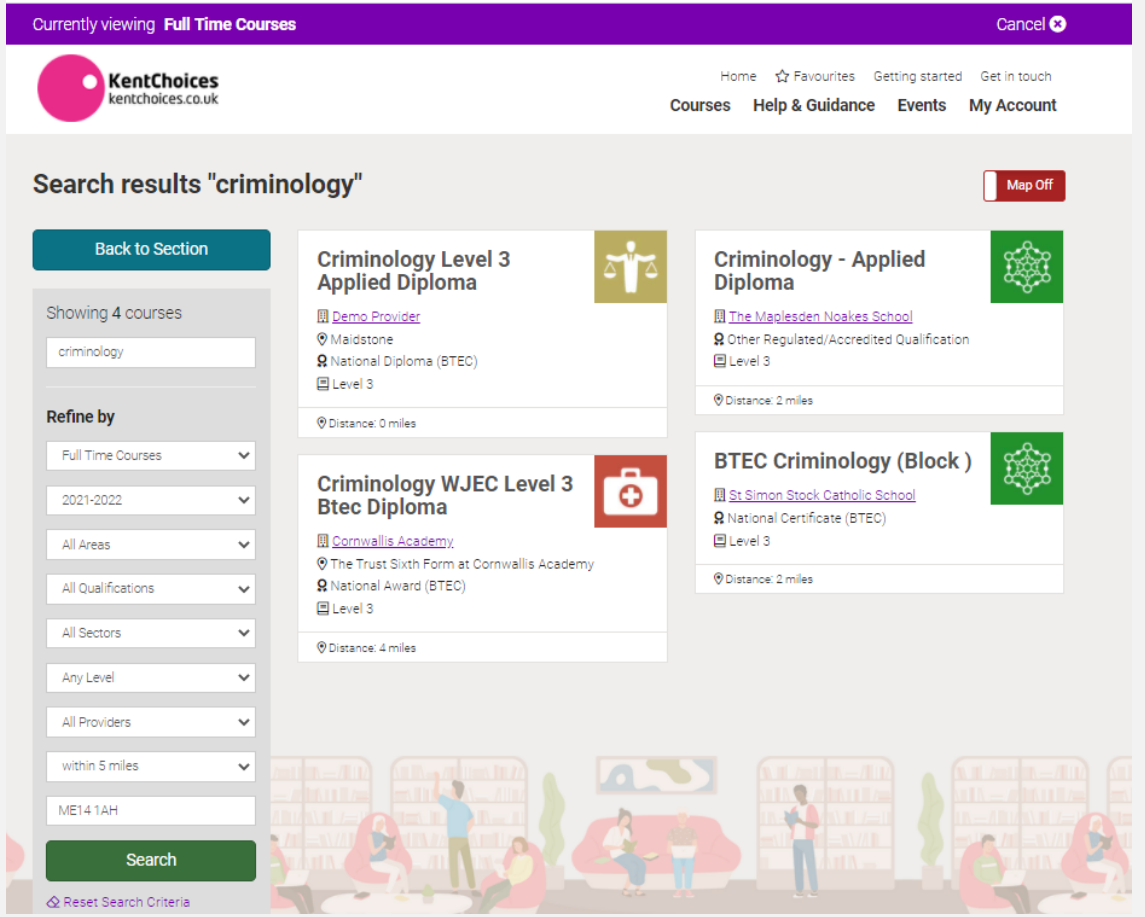

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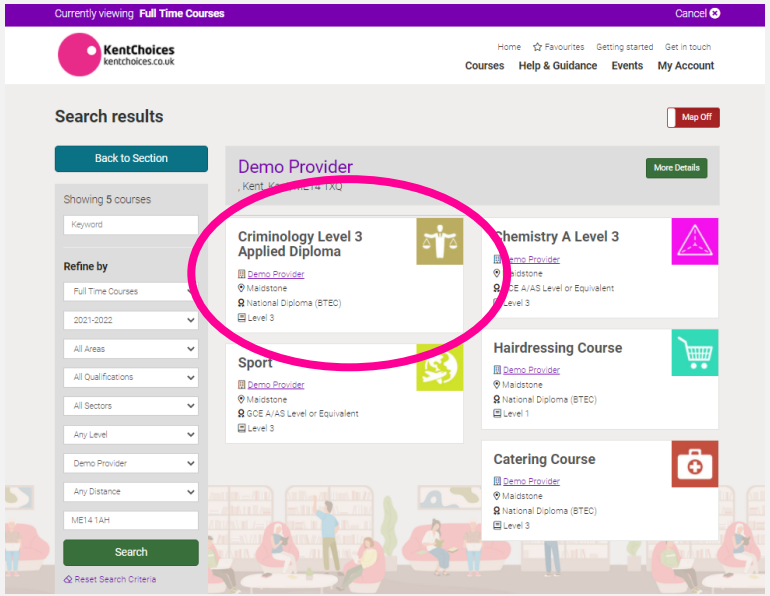

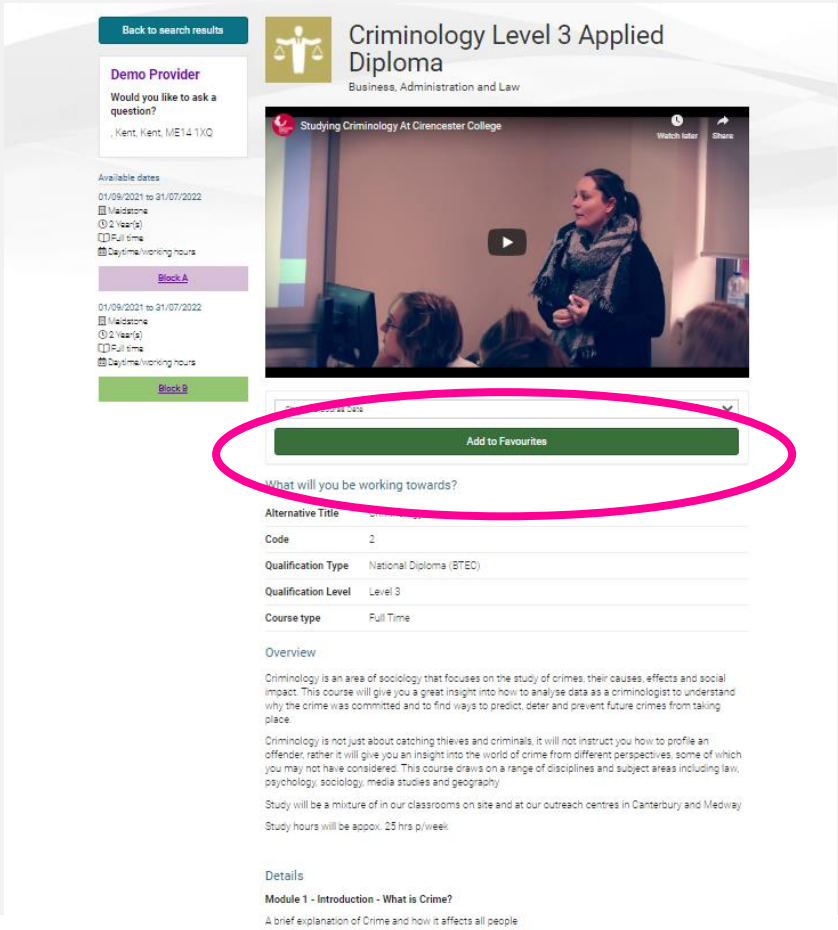

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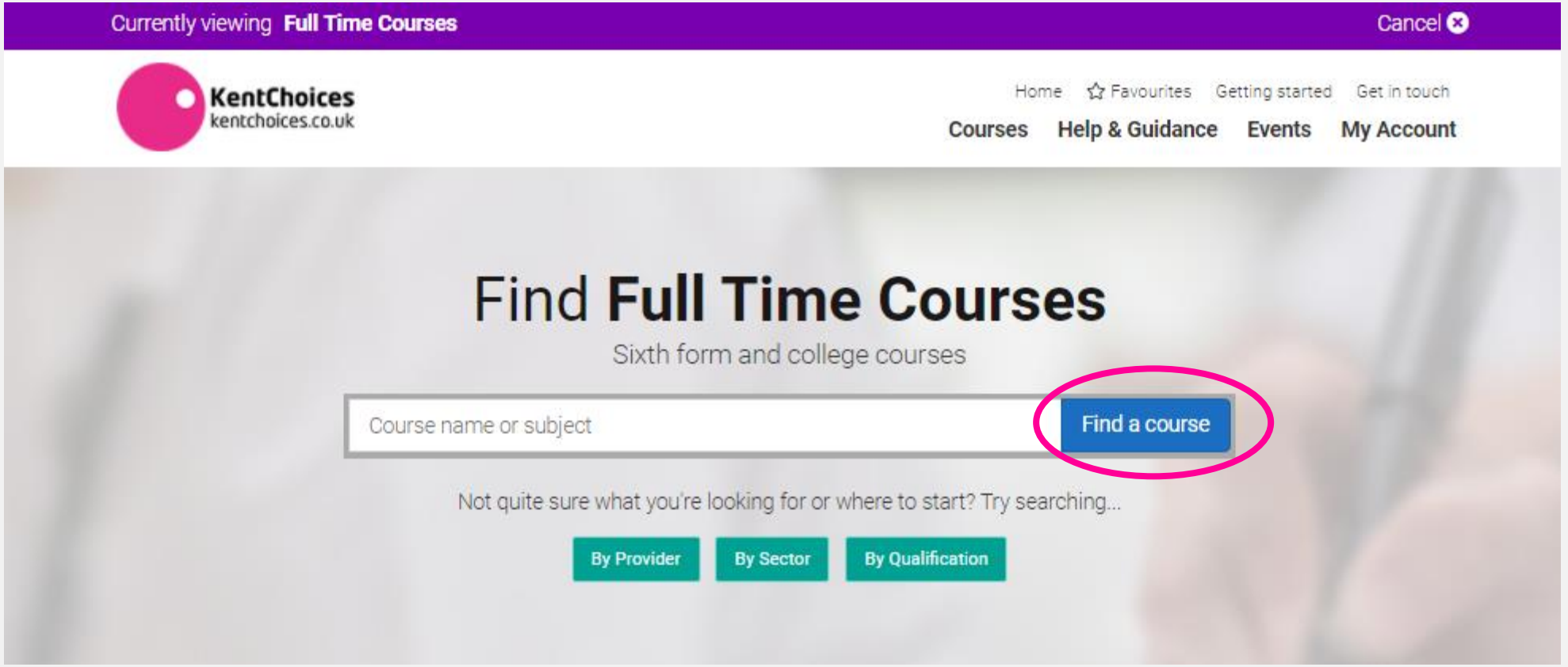

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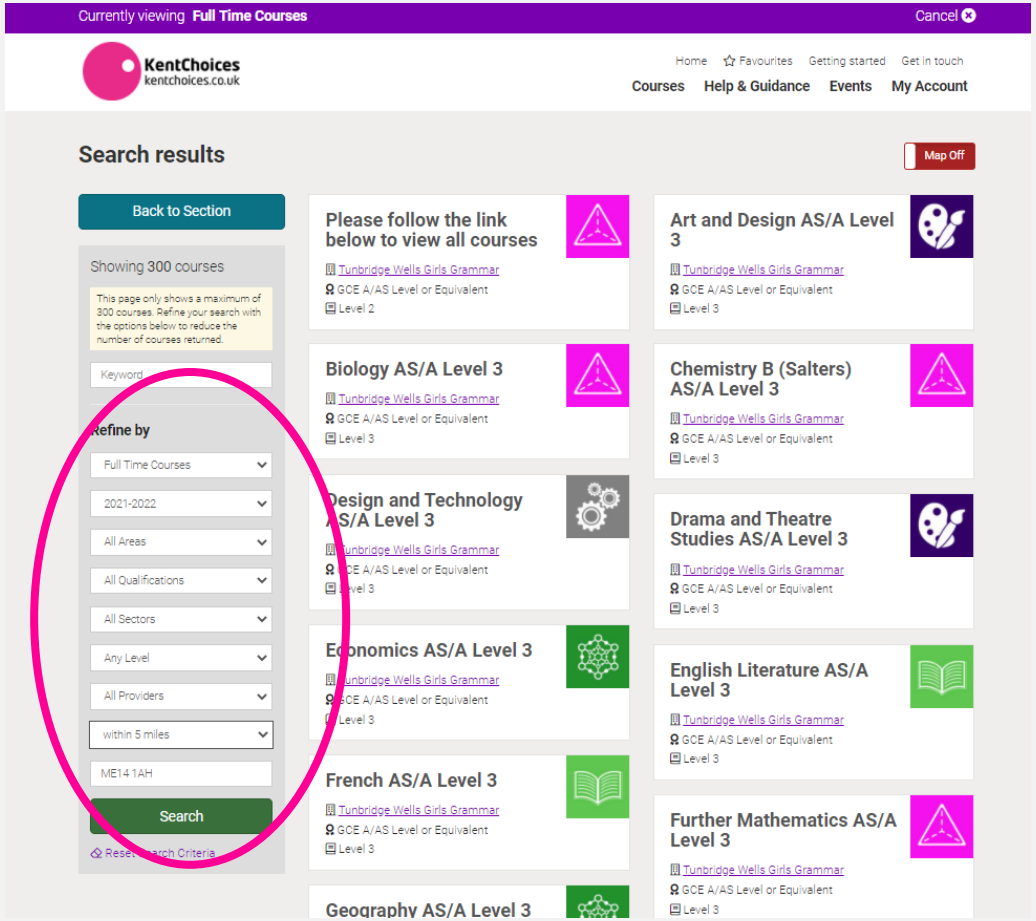

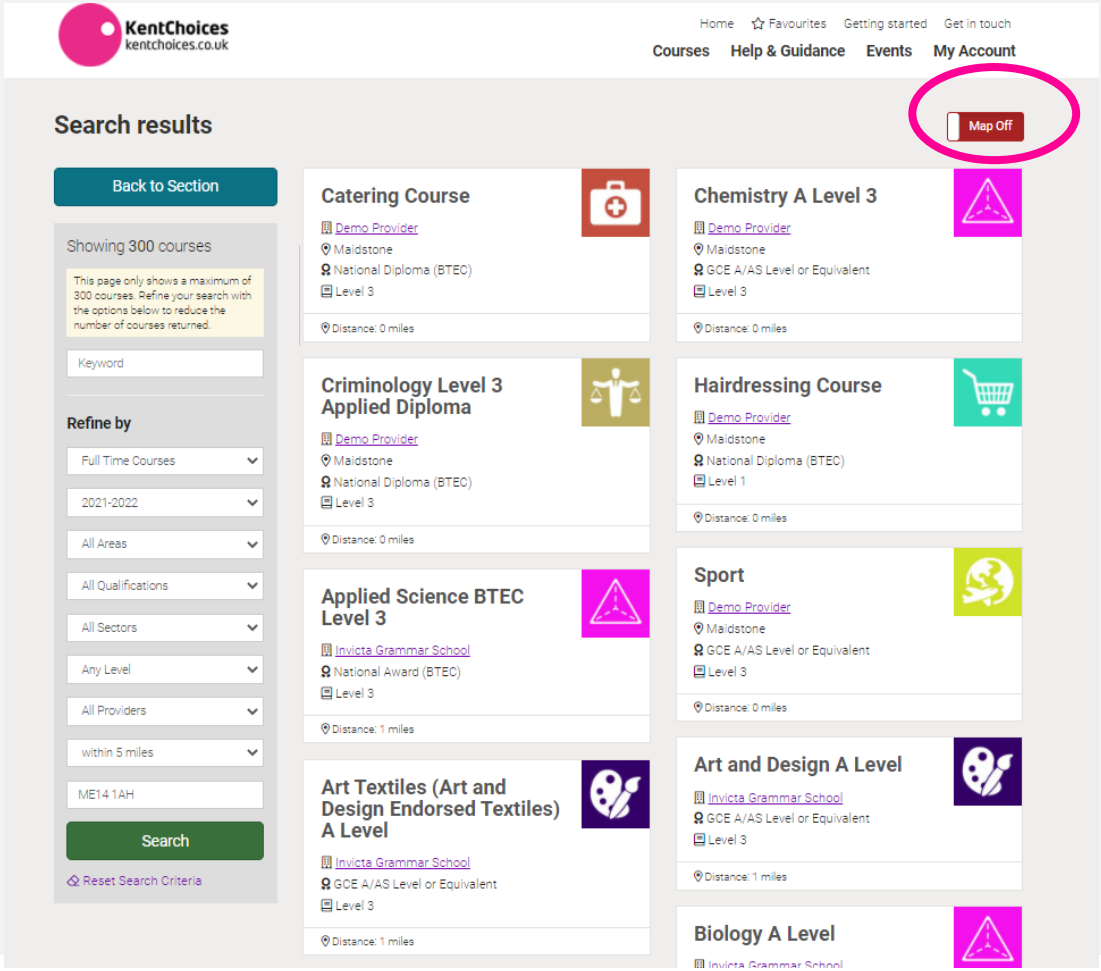

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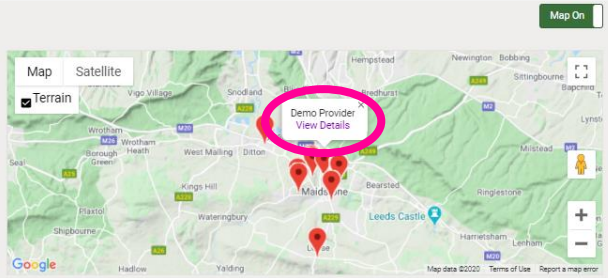

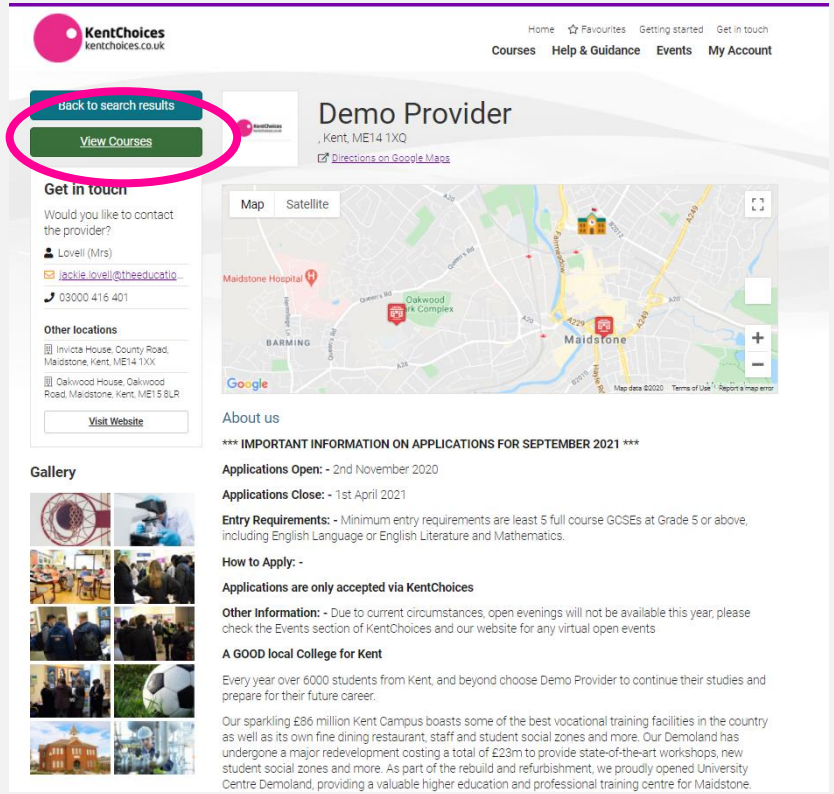

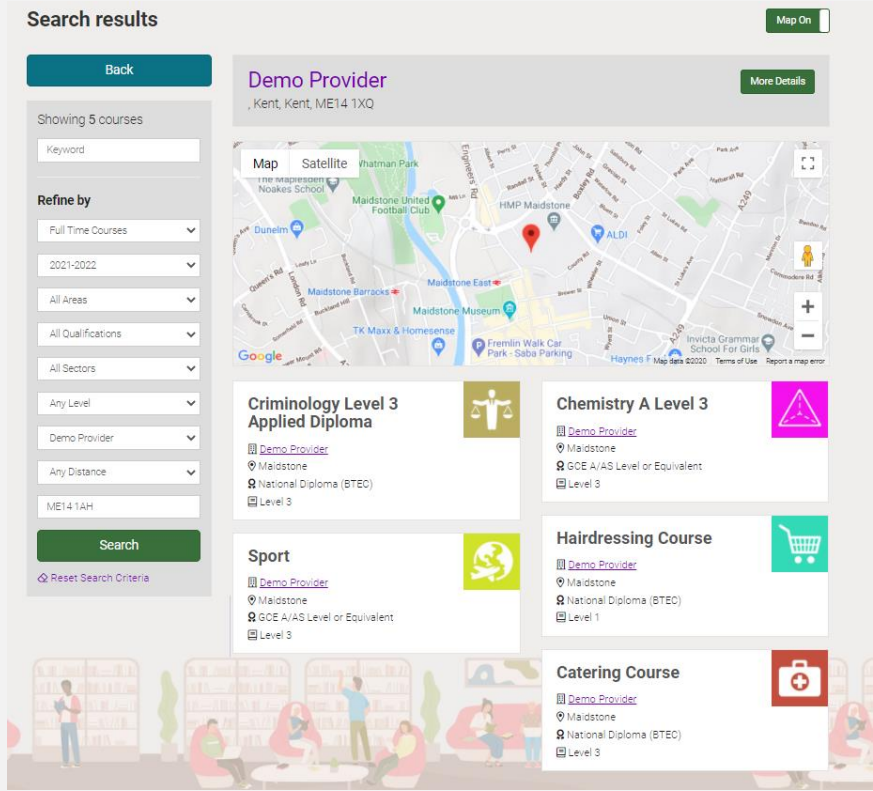

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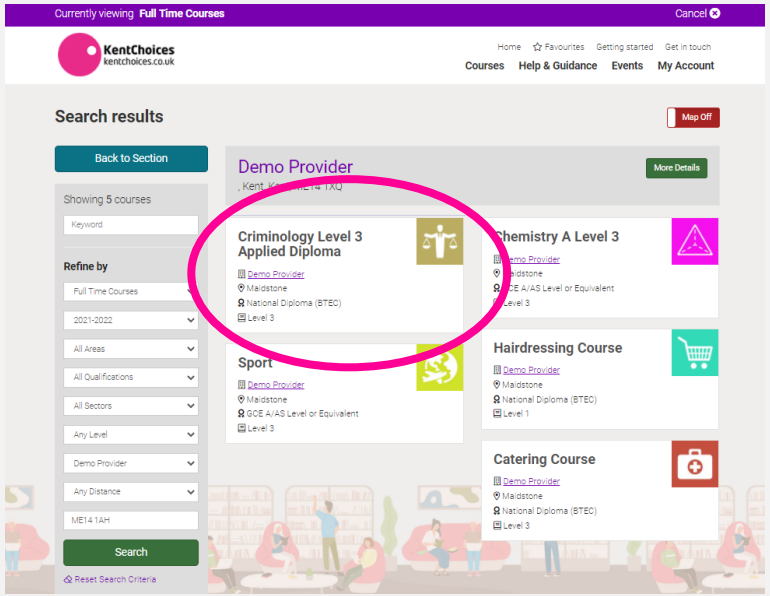

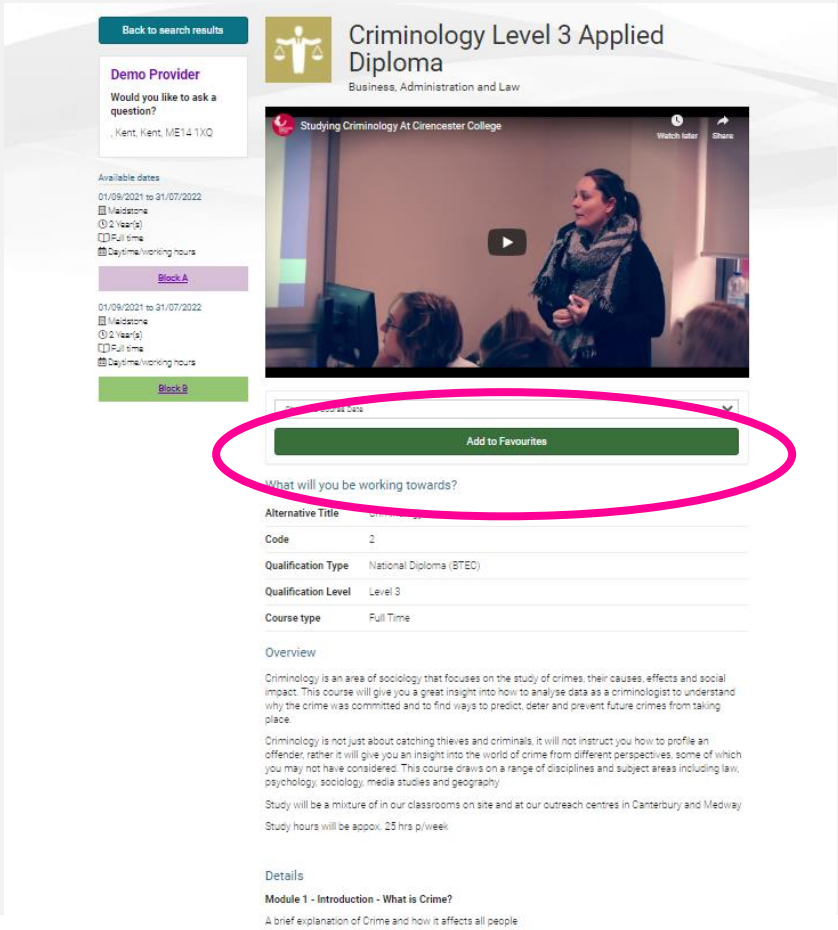

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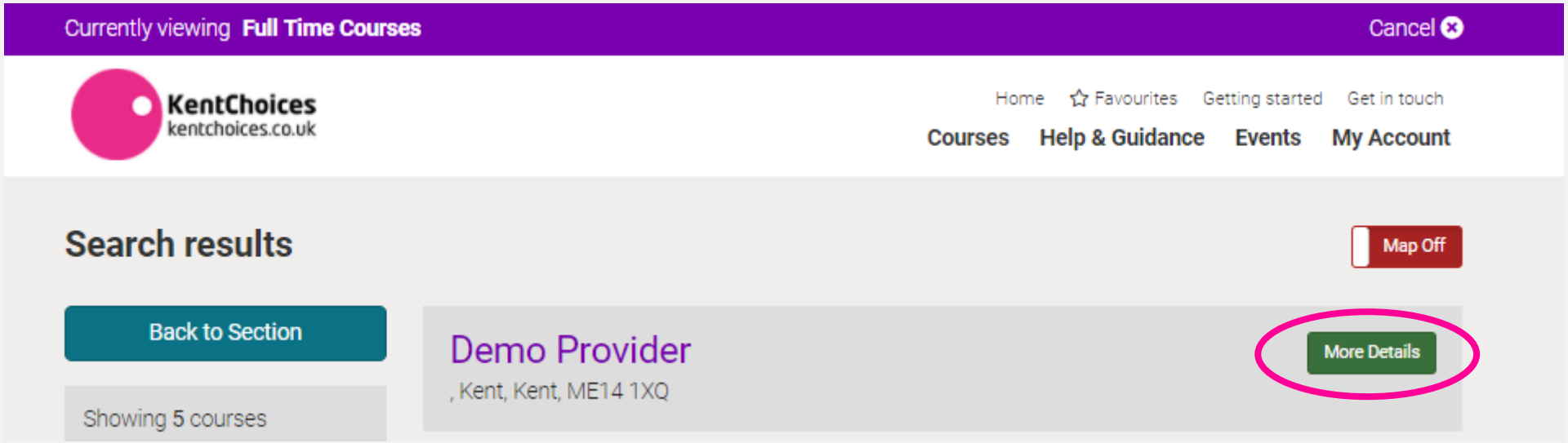

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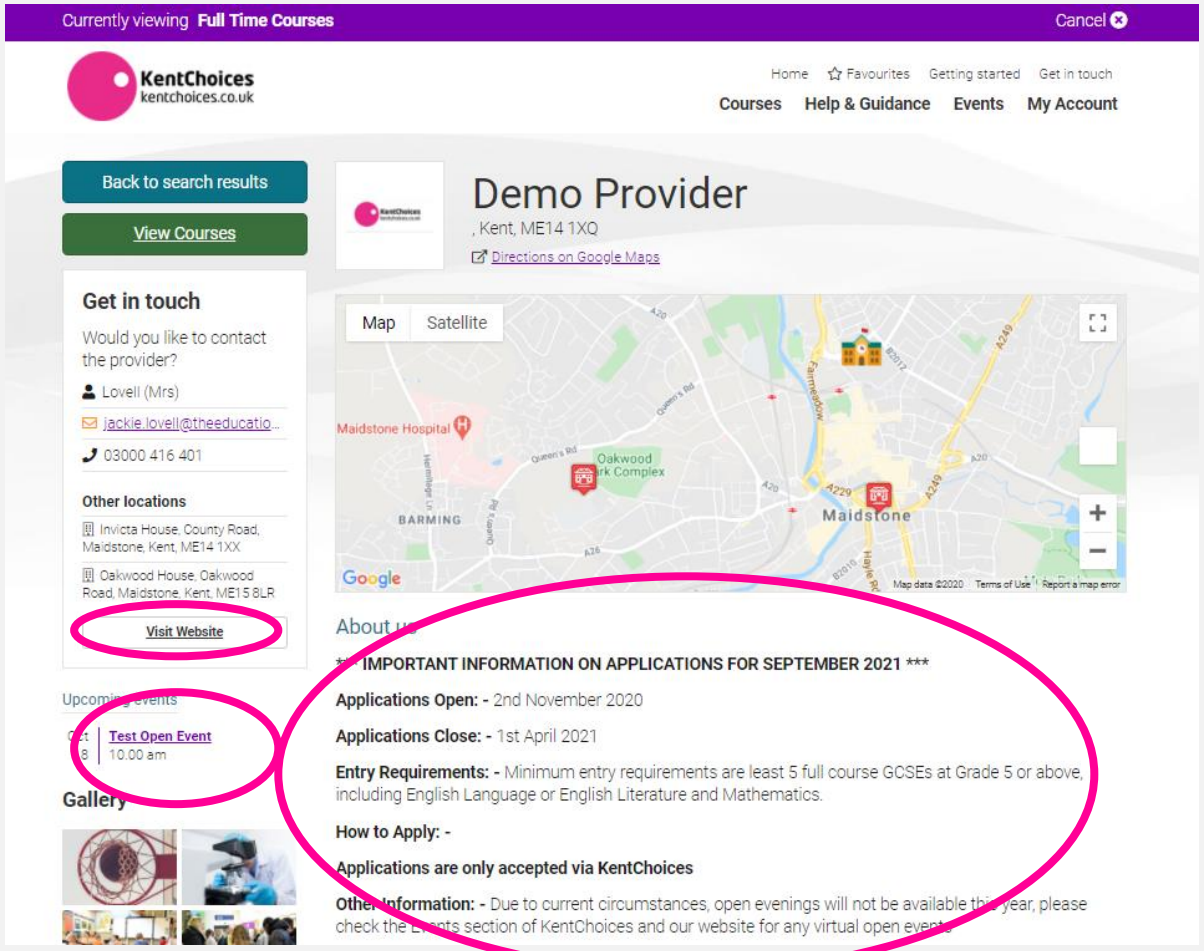

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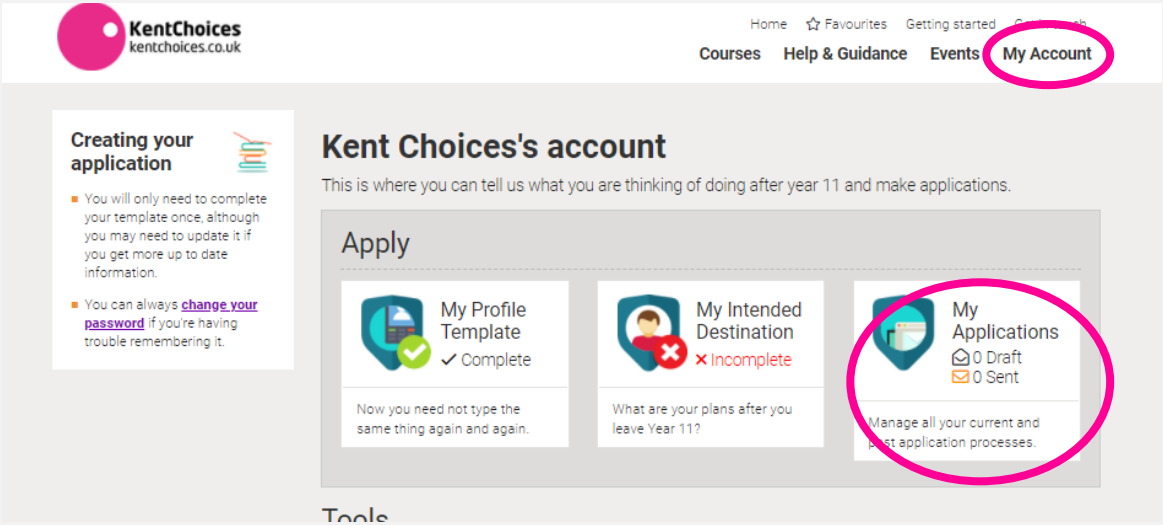

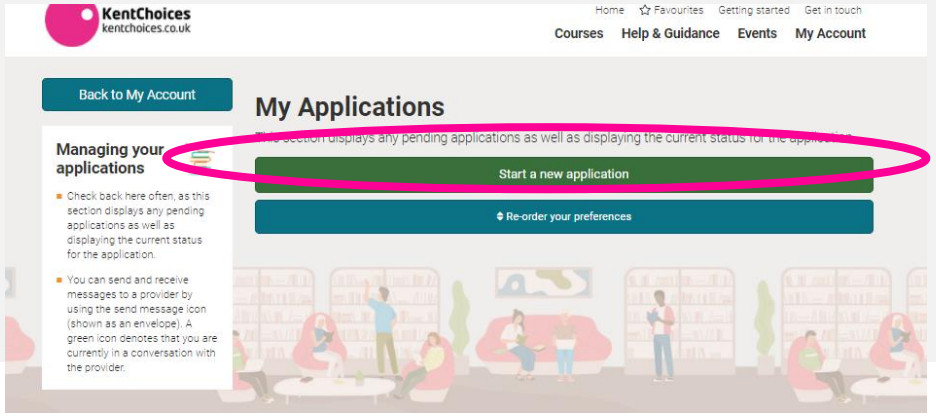

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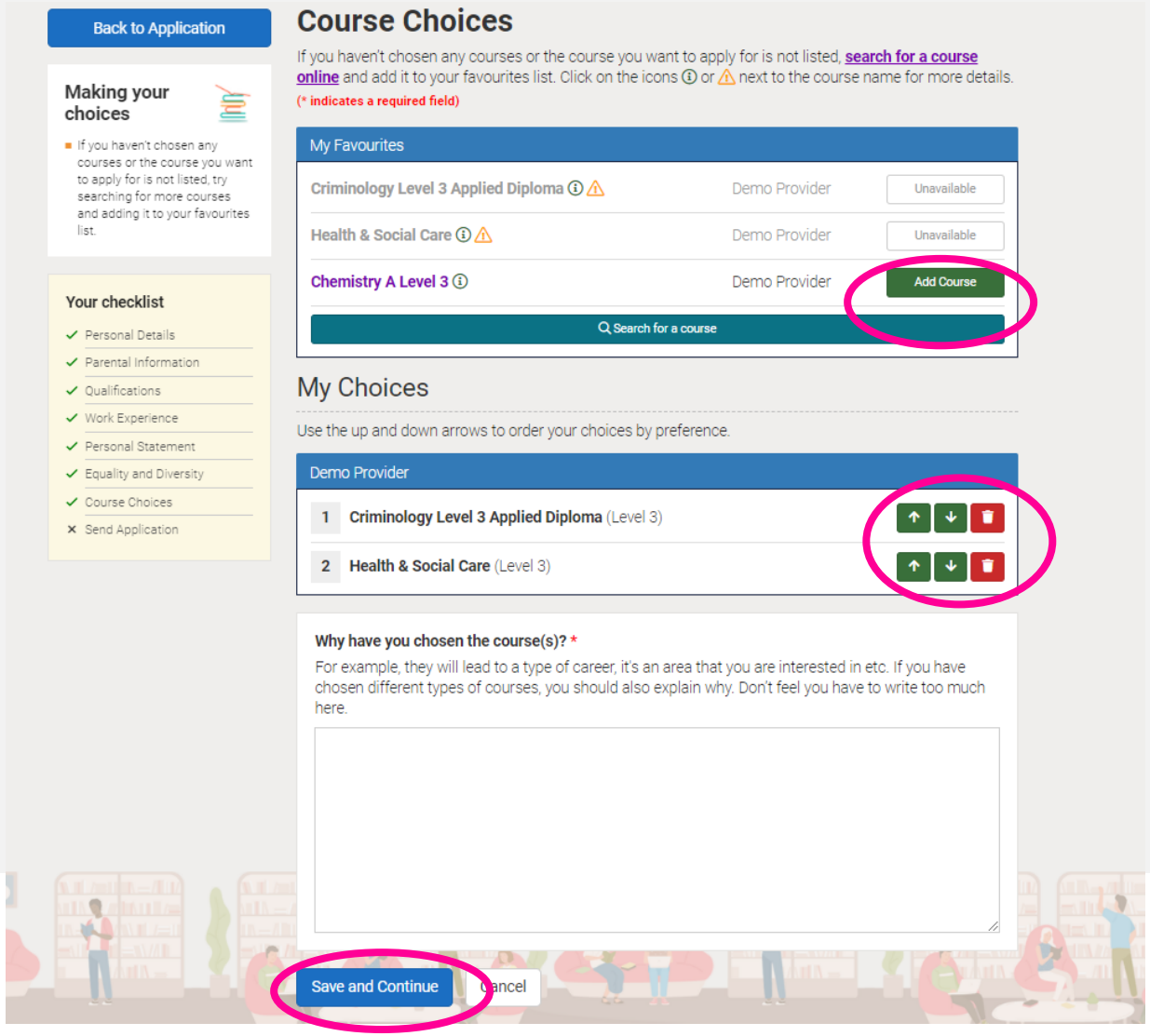

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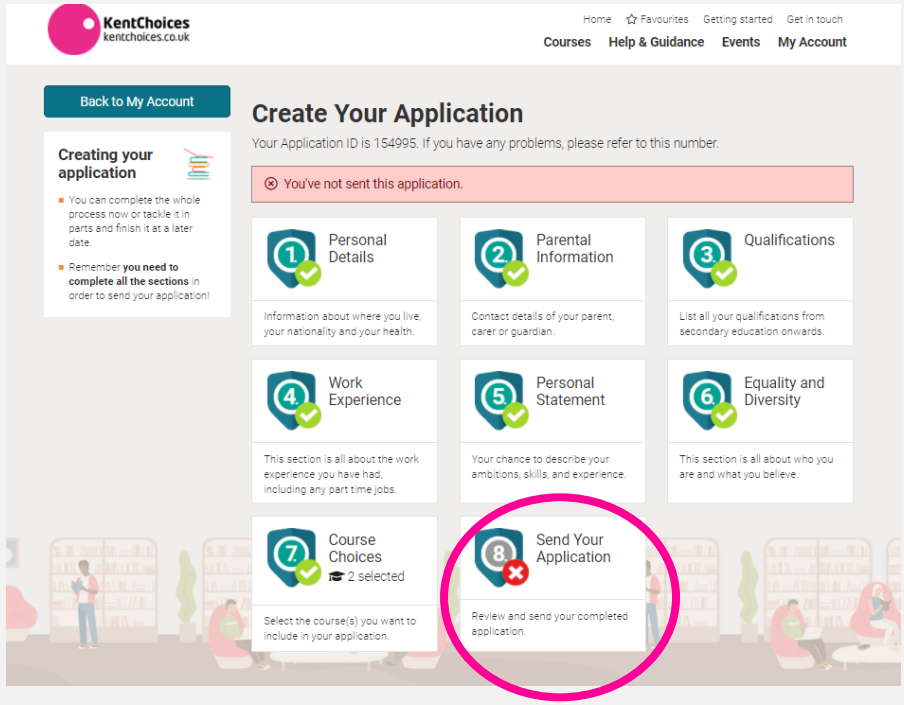

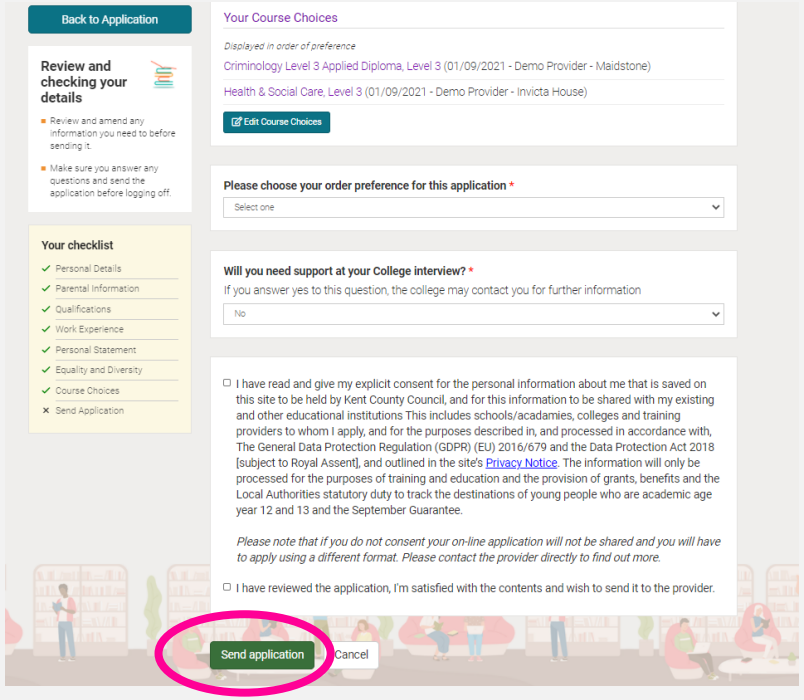

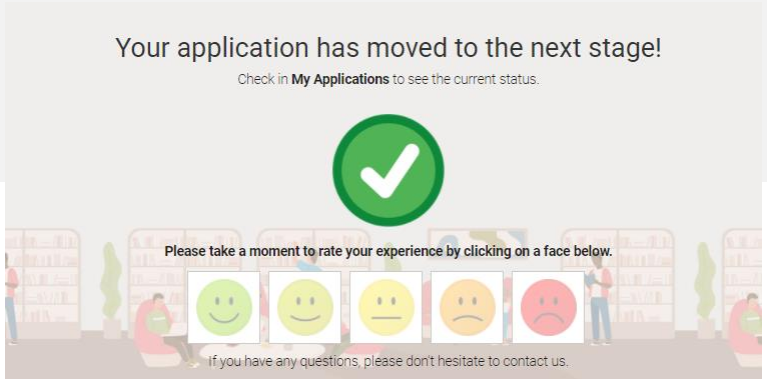

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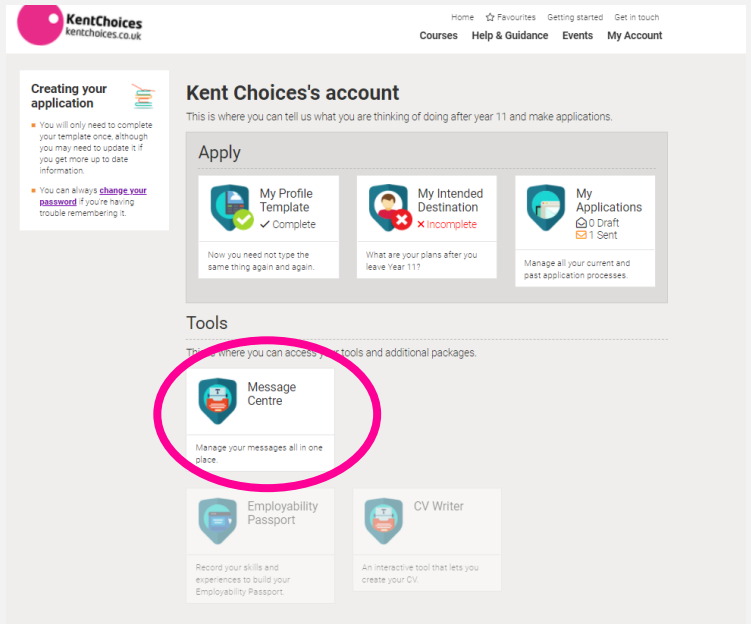

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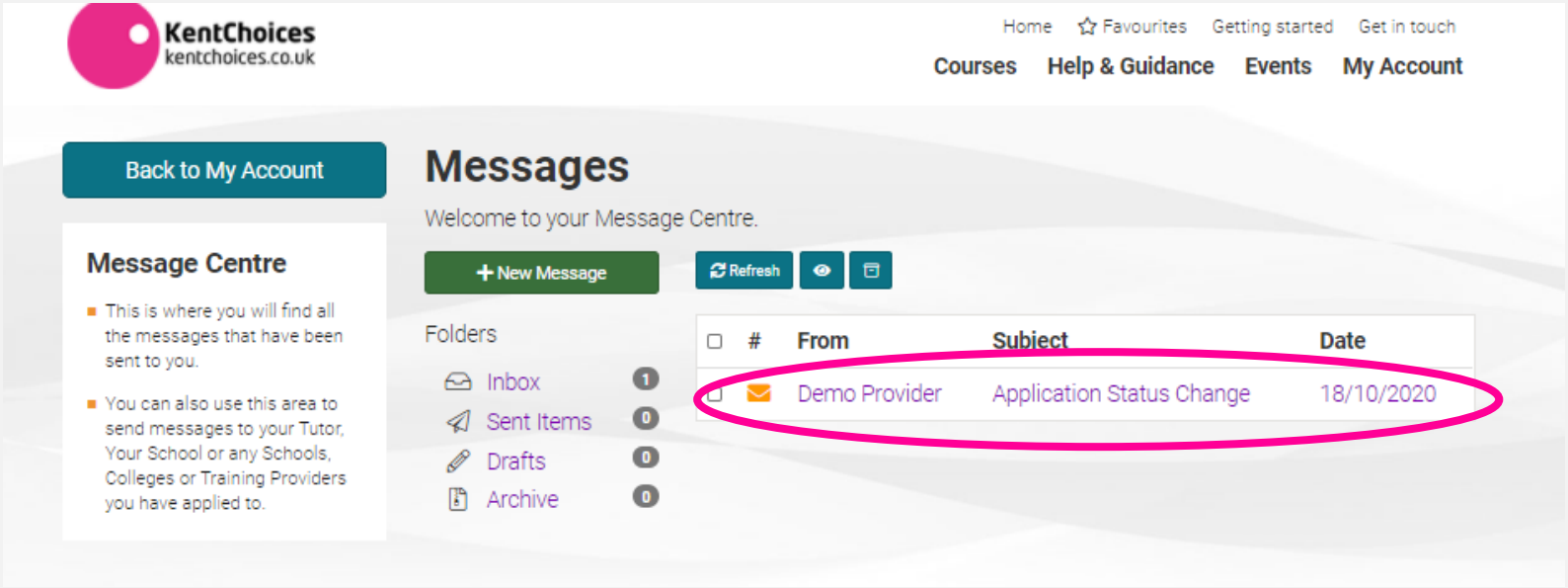
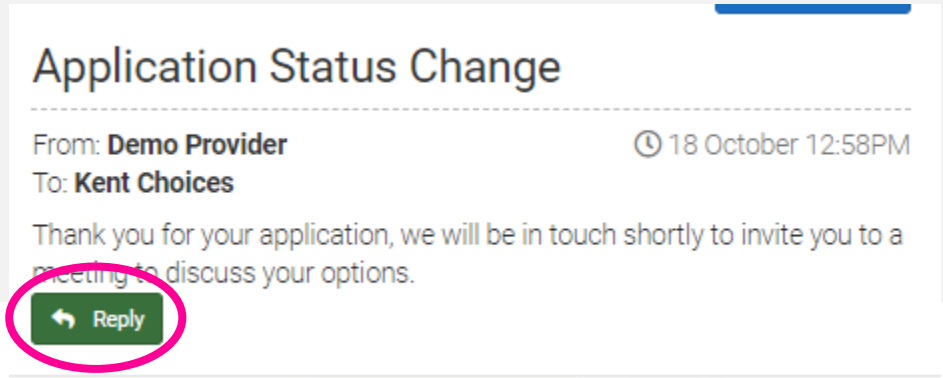
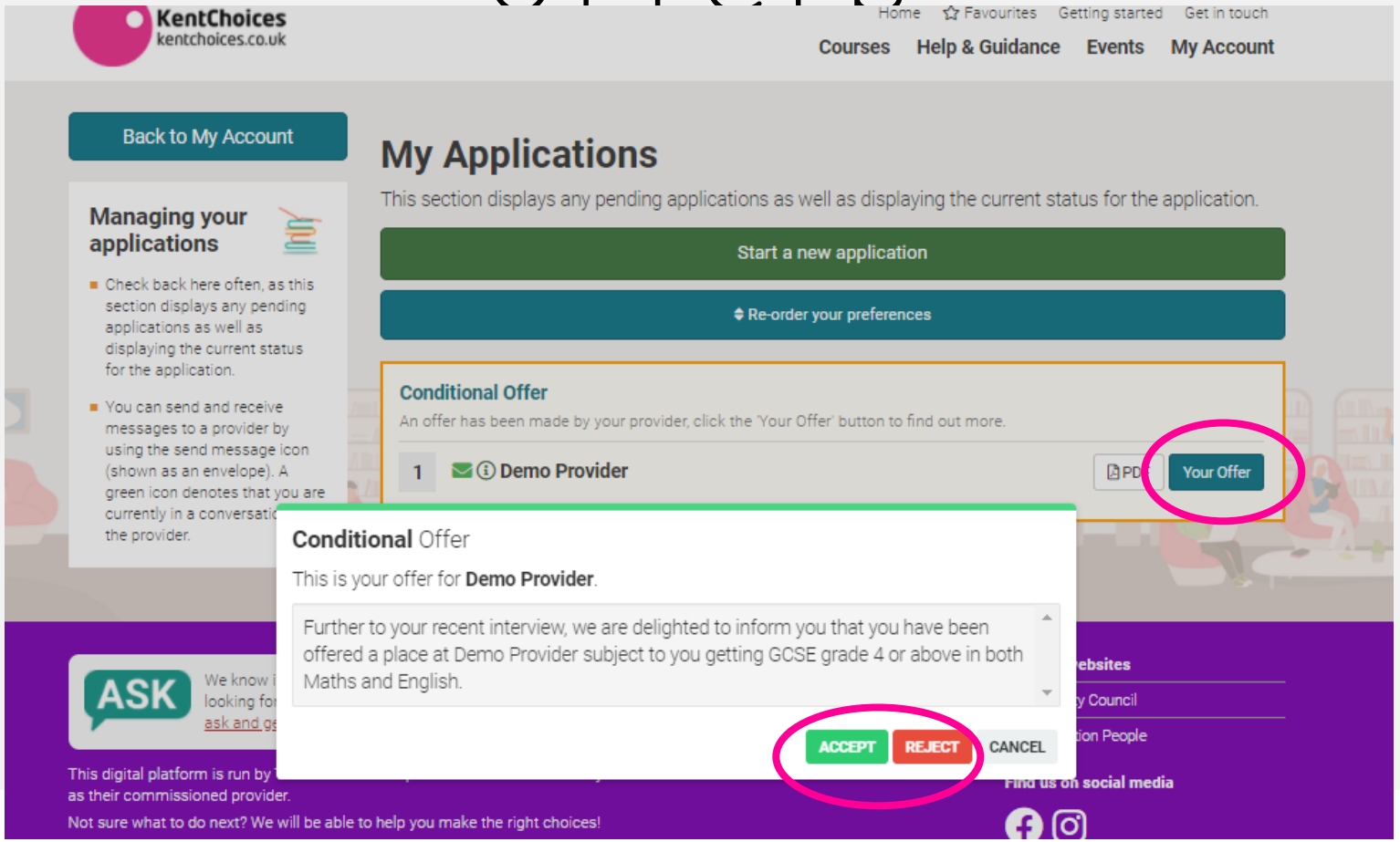




Track Your Applications
View, Accept or Reject Your Offers



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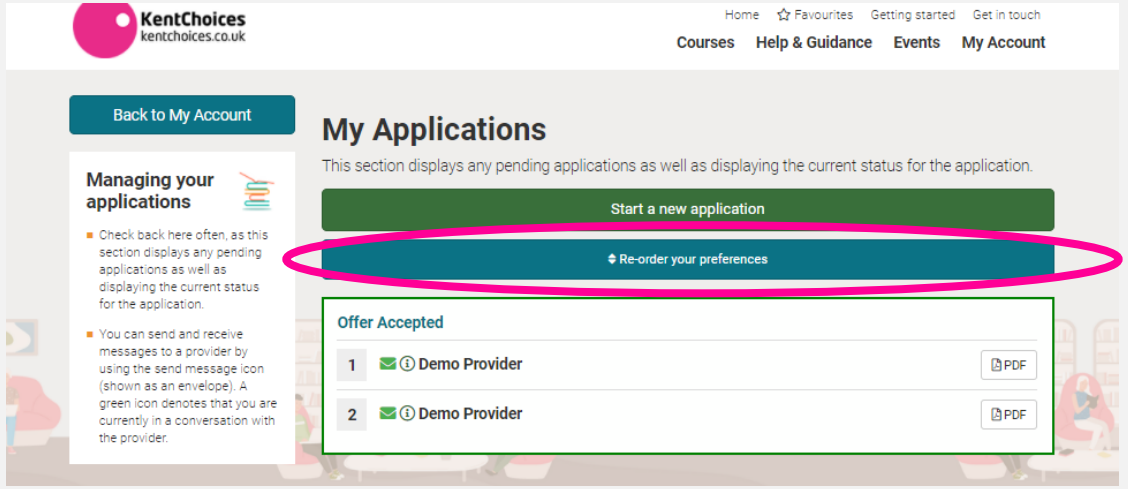

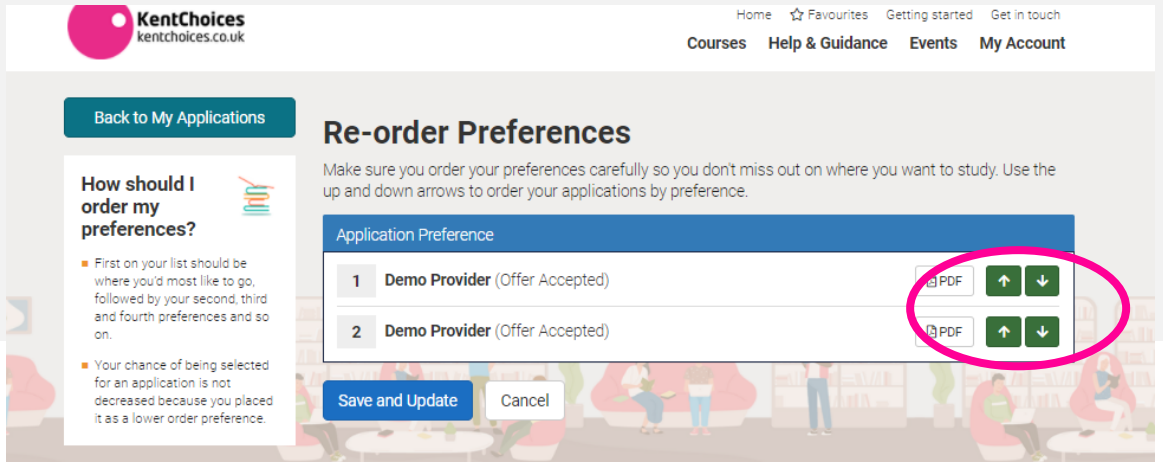

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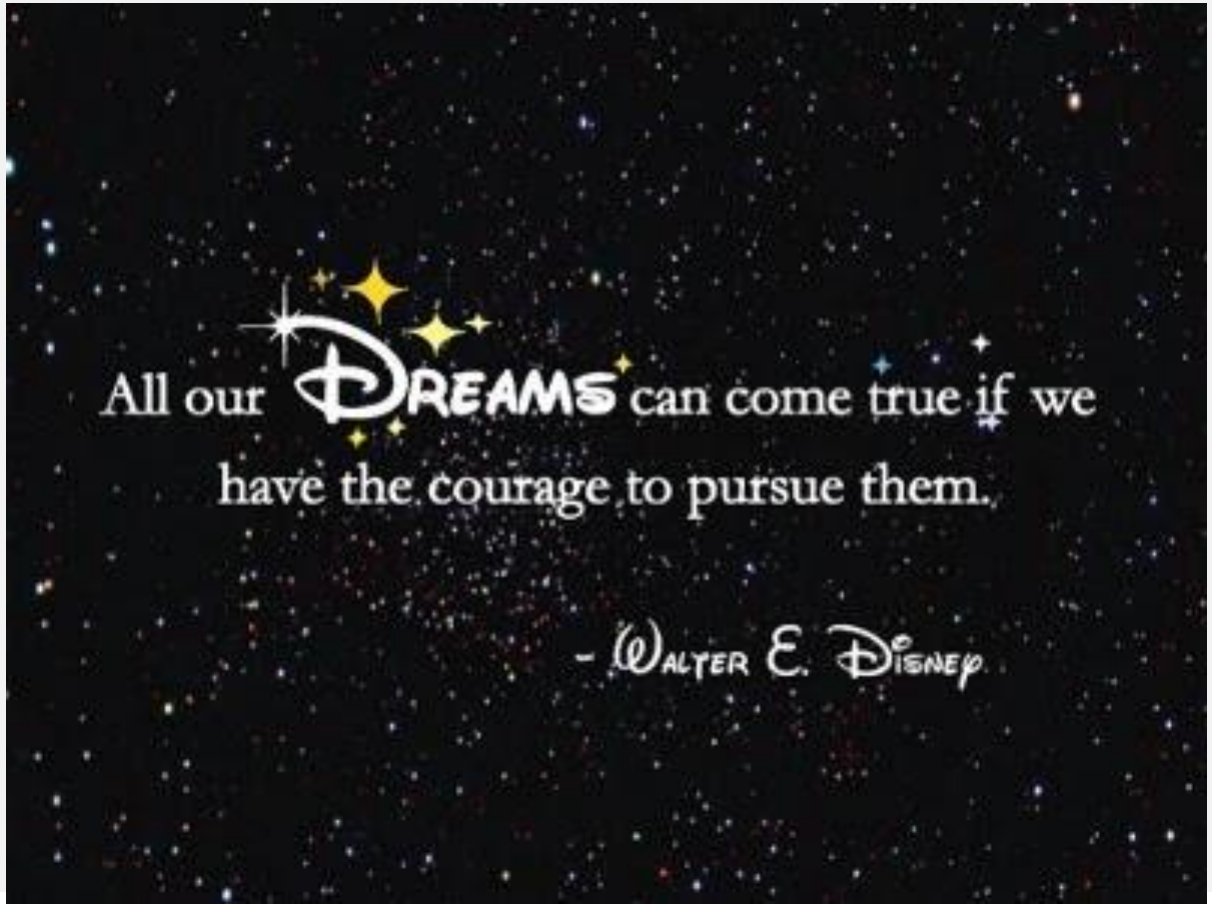
5 Steps To Success

1. Do your research and choose the best option(s) for you.
2. If you are undecided – seek advice and guidance.
3. Apply as soon as possible. Don't miss application closing dates.
4. Track the progress of your application(s).
5. Have a back up plan.

We wish you all the best



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