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## ALUMNI

Name:	Frederic Wheeler
Former names:	
STB School Years:	At Boteler until 1980.
College and courses:	After Boteler: Priestly College (General Studies, Physics, Chemistry, Maths)
What grades did you need at the end of Year 11	Good grades in Physics, Chemistry Biology and Maths, together with English.
University and course:	Liverpool John Moores University (was Liverpool Polytechnic) Applied Physics Degree.
Profession:	Nuclear Safety working at Birchwood, Warrington Chartered Physicist, Chartered Engineer,
Advice and tips:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• New give up,</li><li>• Take every opportunity that you are given,</li><li>• Always do your best and study,</li><li>• Chose a career that builds on what interests you,</li><li>• Above all else believe in yourself.</li></ul>
Skills needed:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Good maths and physics understanding.</li><li>• The ability to write understandable reports.</li><li>• The ability to talk to people, get on with them and work within a team.</li><li>• The ability to listen and learn from those around you.</li></ul>
What do you enjoy most about your career path?	My career has given me the opportunity to work with lots of interesting people on projects that are big and complex. I have been able to travel with work all over the world and see places that I would never have gone to like China and Russia. I have also been able to go places in the UK that few other people ever see, like directly under an operating nuclear reactor, or on a prototype train. It's allows me to work on a huge variety of projects and all the time learn new things.
Anything else you would like to share:	Studying a science opened many career choices to me. It gave me a basic set of skills and knowledge that I could apply and then build on. It also opened doors to jobs that would have been closed to me



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without a degree. I have never regretted the work I put in while at Boteler, Priestly and then for my degree. I know there are other careers that don't require a degree but mine did. It was right for me and helped me to have an exciting journey through life.



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