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PwC Women in Tech & Accounting Virtual Event (Tuesday 28th September 6pm-7pm)

Year 12-13 females only (studying Maths or Computer Science)

This virtual session will centre around giving women the opportunity to start their career journeys within tech and accounting with PwC. You'll hear from PwC employees/apprentices as well as their Flying Start Programme – a great route for those currently studying Maths or Computer Science. Although we are encouraging woman, this event is open to all.

Find out more and register for a place here:
https://pathwayctm.com/event/women-in-tech-accounting-with-pwc-14/

Premed Project – The Weekly Surgery (Mondays at 7:30pm)

Year 10-13 students only

Premed Project have introduced **The Weekly Surgery**, a live online course that takes place **every Monday at 7:30pm** for students interested in **healthcare careers**. Every Monday there is a new live session for students to tune into online, each one designed to help with applications to medical school. Join hundreds of students from all over the world who are interested in applying for med school and interact with doctors and medical students every other week.

For every month completed, students obtain a **signed certificate** to use in applications.

We have **250 free 1-month subscriptions** to the weekly surgery for your students. All they need to do is **use the code WEEKLY1 at the checkout** and they can enjoy the course for no charge.

Students interested in careers in healthcare can find out more by visiting:
www.theweeklysurgery.com

BVL Legal Projects (October-December)

Year 12-13 students only

BVL is a 10 year old charity that works to improve social mobility in the legal profession. We organise projects to give opportunities to state school students to understand the legal profession and gain experience to put on their CVs and personal statements. Please view our short 'Who are we' video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0aT7C9v3uxM&ab_channel=BVL) for more information about our objectives as an organisation.

All of our projects are completely free of charge and open exclusively to state school students. More information about these projects is below and on our website (https://www.bvl.org.uk/).

Upcoming Projects

(1) Model Law Commission, **deadline for applications: 1 October 2021**. Details here (and below): https://www.bvl.org.uk/model-law-commission. Apply here: https://bvl-law.typeform.com/to/knh8DAGS.

(2) Aqeel H Noorali Essay Competition, **deadline for submissions: 15 October 2021**. Details here (and below): https://www.bvl.org.uk/aqeel-h-noorali-essay-competition. Apply here: https://bvl-law.typeform.com/to/v9XLbDG4.

Students may (and are encouraged to) apply to participate in multiple projects.

Please note that all our projects are currently running virtually over Zoom.

Model Law Commission

The Model Law Commission is a three-month long project that provides A-Level students with the chance to simulate the work of the Law Commission. Students are split into four groups, each tasked with the reform of one of the following areas of law: (1) Family, Trusts or Land Law; (2) Criminal Law; (3) Commercial and Common Law; and (4) Public Law.

From October to December, students undertake a five-stage process: research, formulating recommendations, consulting with their peers, reporting on their proposals and devising their legislation. Students will discuss law reform ideas with each other, their Group Leaders and legal professionals. In late November, individuals from the Law Commission will give a presentation to students, and advise on the difficulties in reforming the law and how to write a law reform report. The project concludes with a final event in which students make presentations to an audience of MPs, legal professionals and journalists in Parliament in December.

Students must be 16 or older and attending a state school. Apply here: https://bvl-law.typeform.com/to/knh8DAGS

Aqeel H Noorali Essay Competition

In partnership with 9 Gough Chambers, BVL runs a legal essay writing competition in memory of barrister, Aqeel H Noorali. The top prize is £1,000 and a mini-

pupillage (ie, work experience in a barristers' chambers), and there are also cash prizes for runners up.

Students must make an 800-1200 word argument agreeing or disagreeing with the following statement: “Considering the backlog of criminal cases is causing lengthy delays in criminal proceedings, the Government should pass legislation to reduce the size of juries to expedite the process.”

Students must be 16 or older and attending a state school. Apply here: https://bvl-law.typeform.com/to/v9XLbDG4.

The Medic Portal Get into Medicine Webinars (19th October – 7th December 5pm-6:30pm)

Year 11-13 students only

The Medic Portal will be running three free Get Into Medicine Seminars over the coming months live online.

They will focus on how to succeed in the medical school interview (updated for this year) alongside top tips from admissions tutors.

They will run on the following dates and times:

19th October: 5pm to 6.30pm

16th November: 5pm to 6.30pm

7th December: 5pm to 6.30pm

Your students will also get to hear from a top European Medical School, The University of Nicosia, on their unique programme.

Register for a place here: https://www.med.unic.ac.cy/get-into-medicine-2021/

Creating Careers Live Healthcare Webinars (21st October – 7th July 4:30pm-5:30pm)

Year 9-13 students

These webinars are designed to teach you more about careers and pathways within Health and Social Care. You will hear from current professionals, develop your understanding of the sector, hear about the many pathways available to you to enter these careers and have a chance to ask any questions you may have.

Nursing 21st October 2021 at 4.30-5.30pm

Midwifery 11th November 2021 at 4.30-5.30pm

Social Care 25th November 2021 at 4.30-5.30pm

Allied Health: Occupational Therapists and Physiotherapists 9th December 2021 at 4.30-5.30pm

Allied Health: Dietician and Speech and Language Therapy 13th January 2022 at 4.30-5.30pm

Allied Health: Orthoptics, Osteopaths and Prosthetics 27th January 2022 at 4.30-5.30pm

Allied Health: Diagnostic and Therapeutic Radiotherapists 10th February 2022 at 4.30-5.30pm

Allied Health: Art and Music Therapy and Podiatry 10th March 2022 at 4.30-5.30pm

Allied Health: Operating Department Practitioner and Paramedic 24th March 2022 at 4.30-5.30pm

Ambulance Service 28th April 2022 at 4.30-5.30pm

Dental Careers 19th May 2022 at 4.30-5.30pm

Pharmacy 9th June 2022 at 4.30-5.30pm

Estates and Facilities 23rd June 2022 at 4.30-5.30pm

Healthcare Science Careers 7th July 2022 at 4.30-5.30pm

Find out more and register for a place here:
https://sites.google.com/view/cchealthcaren

Morgan Stanley's Step Up, Step In – An Insight into Banking (26th & 27th October)

Year 12 & 13 females only

At Morgan Stanley, we strive to build an organization that is diverse in experience and background, reflecting our standards of integrity and excellence. One way we demonstrate this commitment is through Step In, Step Up: An Insight to Banking Programme, which is an integral part of our diversity recruiting efforts.

Step In, Step Up is an introductory two-day programme designed for Year 12 / 13 female students. This programme comprises of divisional overviews, case studies, panel sessions, a trading floor tour and interactive workshops. Participants will also have the opportunity to work as a team, develop their presentation skills and network with employees at all stages of their careers.

Come and learn more about our opportunities and how you can develop your skills.

Programme dates: 26th & 27th October 2021 (Programme to be hosted either virtually or in our offices, this will be determined closer to the time dependent on the

COVID-19 Pandemic)

Eligibility Requirements: You identify as a female student who is in Year 12 / 13, or equivalent and you are looking to learn about career opportunities in Investment Banking.

Deadline for applications: **Sunday 26th September 2021**

What University? & What Career? Live Virtual Events (12th & 13th November)

Students will have the opportunity to chat to representatives from **leading universities and employers** and get **one-to-one careers advice** from independent experts. They'll also have access to a **programme of live and on-demand talks**, covering everything from the UCAS application process, to kick-starting your career with an apprenticeship.

Register for a place here: VMG Events (6connex.eu)

GM Higher Videos

Ambassador Videos

Want to find out more about university and hear advice from current students? Hear from our ambassadors on topics such as student life, finance, wellbeing and choosing a course.

Hear what students have to say - GM Higher

Choices – Post-16 Options Video

This video will guide students through their options after Year 11.

Choices- Post-16 options - GM Higher

Choices – HE What & Why

This video will explore what HE is and why students should consider it as an option.

Choices- HE What and Why? - GM Higher

Get Ahead September Newsletter

Students & Parents/Carers

Get Ahead is a toolkit and resource co-produced with and for disabled young people. The newsletter and magazine will help you navigate the wide range of information and resources that are available in post-16 education, training, and work. It is a platform where young people can have their voice heard and share the many talents they have.

The latest edition of the Get Ahead newsletter, brought to you by **Disability Rights UK** includes information on: opportunity to change the Get Ahead look and get a £25 voucher, changes to technical qualifications, mental health and Young Minds, and more.

Find out more (and access earlier newsletters) here: Get Ahead | Disability Rights UK

LawCareers.Net The Beginner's Guide to a Career in Law 2022

Are you are interested in a potential career as a lawyer, but don't know where to start? **The Beginner's Guide to a Career in Law 2022** and **The Law Apprenticeships Guide 2022** are for you.

The *Beginner's Guide* is an accessible introduction to:

- what jobs in the law involve;
- the career paths of solicitors, barristers and chartered legal executives, plus what makes each type of lawyer different; and
- the courses and training needed to qualify, including information on the new Solicitors Qualifying Exam.

Ready to kickstart your legal journey?

Visit LawCareers.Net: https://www.lawcareers.net/

View the guides online here: The Beginner's Guide to a Career in Law 2022 (flippingbook.com) and The Law Apprenticeships Guide 2022 (flippingbook.com)

UNIVERSITY OPPORTUNITIES (including study abroad)

Edge Hill University – Subject Taster Days (16th September – 24th November)

Year 12 & 13 students only

Thursday 16th September - Medicine (Virtual Q&A)

Wednesday 3rd November - Business

Wednesday 3rd November - Social Sciences

Wednesday 3rd November - Sport and Physical Activity

Wednesday 10th November - Law, Criminology & Policing

Wednesday 10th November - English, History & Creative Writing

Wednesday 10th November - Media, Film and TV, Music Production

Wednesday 10th November - Dance, Drama & Musical Theatre

Wednesday 17th November - Biosciences

Wednesday 24th November - Geography

Wednesday 24th November - Computer Science

Wednesday 24th November - Psychology

Find out more and book your place here:
https://www.edgehill.ac.uk/studentrecruitment/subject-taster-days/

The Fulbright Commission Virtual USA College Day (25th September 1pm-5pm)

Year 11-13 students only

Are you interested in studying in the USA?

Virtual USA College Day is a free online event that provides students, parents and teachers with the unique opportunity to meet representatives from over 150 American universities and learn about the US admissions process from experts. Tickets must be booked in advance.

View confirmed exhibitors here: USA College Day University Search | US-UK Fulbright Commission

Register for a place here: Virtual USA College Day 2021 | US-UK Fulbright Commission

Channel Talent – University Online Events (27th September – 7th December)

Free interactive university online events

EPQ/Critical Thinking

- **September 27 @ 12:45 - 13:30** Liberal Arts & Natural Sciences: Interdisciplinary Problem Solving - Session 1 - Birmingham (KS4 & KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 16 @ 12:45 - 13:45** EPQ: Skills & Insight Workshop - Academic Writing with UEA (KS5) **Find out more »**

Music & Film

- **November 8 @ 16:45 - 17:30** Film: Exploring Editing Techniques - Tutorial - UEA (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 22 @ 15:35 - 16:20** Music: Developing Analytical Skills & Contextual Understanding - Tutorial - Sheffield (KS5) **Find out more »**

STEM

- **September 28 @ 12:45 - 13:45** Society for Natural Sciences: Astrobiology, Finding Life on Planets & Studying Natural Sciences (KS5) **Find out more »**

- **October 4 @ 16:15 - 17:15** Psychology - University Module Insights - UEA & Glasgow (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **October 11 @ 16:45 - 17:30** Mathematics: The Nature & Applications of Complex Numbers - Tutorial - UEA (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **October 12 @ 16:15 - 17:15** General Engineering - University Module Insights - Sheffield & UEA (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **October 18 @ 15:35 - 16:20** Biology: Causes & Tackling Antibiotic Resistance - Tutorial - UEA (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **October 21 @ 12:00 - 13:00** Society for Natural Sciences: Medical Imaging & Studying Natural Sciences (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 4 @ 12:45 - 13:30** Computational Chemistry: Skills & Insight Masterclass with UEA (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 8 @ 15:35 - 16:20** Robotics/Artificial Intelligence: Achieving Human-like Perception, Computation & Reasoning - Tutorial - Sheffield (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 17 @ 09:10 - 10:10** insight4me Physics: Fields - Examining Cutting Edge Research with UEA & Sheffield (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 24 @ 13:00 - 14:00** Society for Natural Sciences: Energy Crisis, Fusion & Studying Natural Sciences (KS5) **Find out more »**

Business & Economics

- **September 29 @ 14:15 - 15:15** Accounting/Finance - University Module Insights - UEA & 1 Uni TBC (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 3 @ 11:15 - 12:15** insight4me Economics: Externalities & Government Intervention with UEA & Goldsmiths (KS5) **Find out more »**

Social Sciences

- **October 5 @ 16:15 - 17:15** Immigration/Migration – Interdisciplinary University Perspectives & Debate - Sheffield (Geography) & 1 Uni TBC (KS4 & KS5) **Find out more »**
- **October 19 @ 16:15 - 17:15** Social Policy - University Module Insights - 2 Unis TBC (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **October 20 @ 14:15 - 15:15** Politics - University Module Insights - UEA & Goldsmiths (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 9 @ 11:00 - 12:00** insight4me Law: Focus on Contract Law with Goldsmiths & 1 Uni TBC (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 17 @ 16:15 - 17:15** Social Justice – Interdisciplinary University Perspectives & Debate - Goldsmiths (Law) & Sheffield (Geography) (KS4 & KS5) **Find out more »**

- **December 1 @ 14:15 - 15:15** insight4me Geography: Landscapes & Systems with Nottingham & UEA (KS5) **Find out more »**

Art & Architecture

- **October 6 @ 14:15 - 15:15** Architecture - University Module Insights - 2 Unis TBC (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **October 18 @ 16:45 - 17:30** Art: Exploring Composition Techniques - Tutorial - Reading (KS5) **Find out more »**

Humanities

- **October 11 @ 15:35 - 16:20** Modern Languages: Linking Language, Culture & Identity - Tutorial - Warwick (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **October 20 @ 12:00 - 13:00** History: Why Did Germans Vote For Hitler? - Goldsmiths (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 3 @ 12:45 - 13:45** History: Why Did Alternatives to Appeasement Fail? British Foreign Policy, 1935-39 - Goldsmiths (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 17 @ 14:15 - 15:15** History: The Path to Independence in India - Goldsmiths (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 22 @ 16:45 - 17:30** Linguistics: Linking Language & Power - Tutorial - UEA (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **November 23 @ 11:15 - 12:15** insight4me Classical Civilisation: The Epics of Homer with UEA & Nottingham (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **December 1 @ 16:15 - 17:15** History: The Unexpected History of the Pink Pound - Goldsmiths (KS5) **Find out more »**
- **December 7 @ 10:30 - 11:30** insight4me English Literature: Dystopian Literature with Nottingham & UEA (KS5) **Find out more »**

Meet the Russell Group Virtual Event (29th September, 12pm-7pm)

Years 11-13 students & parents/carers only

Meet the Russell Group, a free virtual event in association with **UK University Search**. This online and interactive experience will allow you to explore all **24 Russell Group universities** and chat directly to their representatives and ambassadors. You will be able to **view information and videos** about each university, link directly to **Virtual Campus Tours** to explore university facilities and accommodation, download prospectuses and take part in **13 live webinars** in the virtual auditorium.

Meet the Russell Group are offering a live **Parent and Teacher Support webinar** from **6:05pm-6:30pm**.

Register for a place here (students): https://russellgroup.vfairs.com/en/registration

Register for a place here (parents & teachers):
https://russellgroup.vfairs.com/en/registration?type=teacher

Watch recorded warm up videos in the run up to this event and previous videos of interest here: UK University Search - YouTube

University of Stirling Academic Taster Series (4th – 28th October 4pm-5pm)

Students & Parents/Carers

The University of Stirling are delighted to invite you to take part in our exciting upcoming October Academic Taster Series. These sessions, led by our fantastic lecturers, will give students an insight into what a first-year lecture is like, providing an excellent bridge between A-Level (or equivalent) and University content. The sessions are all free of charge and appropriate for multiple ages with guardians and teachers welcome to join. Please take a look at the session information below and sign up for as many as you wish!

Monday 4th October 4-5pm **Journalism Studies:** Telling stories with data

Tuesday 5th October 4-5pm **Paramedic Science:** How to perform a neurological assessment

Wednesday 6th October 4-5pm An introduction to **French and Francophone Studies** in 10 Objects

Thursday 7th October 4-5pm **Accountancy** at Stirling

Tuesday 12th October 4-5pm **Sport Studies:** The Psychology of Sport

Wednesday 13th October 4-5pm **Professional Education** - Finding Flow: What keeps us motivated?

Thursday 14th October 5-6pm An Introduction to **Corporate Finance**

Friday 15th October 4-5pm **Psychology** at Stirling

Monday 18th October 4-5pm **Ecology and Conservation:** Why is biodiversity important?

Tuesday 19th October 4-5pm **Economics:** Understanding history, strategic interactions, and how to change the world.

Wednesday 20th October 4-5pm **Sport and Exercise Science** at Stirling

Monday 25th October 4-5pm **Film and Media:** Prologue and Introduction to Global Film as Philosophy

Tuesday 26th October 4-5pm **Sport Management:** The Economics of Sport

Wednesday 27th October 4-5pm **English Studies** at Stirling

Thursday 28th October 4-5pm **Environmental Sciences** at Stirling

Find out more and register for a place here: Webinars | About | University of Stirling

University of Leeds – Medicine, Dentistry & Health Webinars (5th October – 30th November)

Year 12 & 13 students only

Applying to Medicine, Dentistry and Healthcare Courses
Tuesday 5th October, 5-6PM
Year 12 interested in health careers and Year 13 students applying this autumn

Preparing for the BioMedical Aptitude Test (BMAT)
Tuesday 12th October, 5-6PM
Year 13 students applying to a BMAT requiring University this autumn

Preparing for Interviews
Tuesday 30th November, 5-6PM
Year 13 students applying to a Medicine, Dentistry or Healthcare course this autumn

Find out more here: https://www.healthsciences.leeds.ac.uk/events/

Register for a place here: https://leeds.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/mhwebinars-autumn-2021

United Kingdom Higher Education Expo Virtual Event (24th November)

This event taking place from **11am-6pm** highlights Higher Education opportunities and offers information from Universities across the UK.

Your students can register for this event for FREE and participate from the comfort of your classroom. **They will need to register individually to get the most out of the event.**

Register for a place here: UKHEX (vfairs.com)

University of Leeds – Skills to Succeed at University

Year 10-13 students only

Launching on **Monday 11 October** our new, free online course **Skills to Succeed at University** focuses on preparing secondary school and college students for university life and undergraduate study.

Filled with a range of exciting, interactive resources, your students will be able to:

- explore the key skills required for independent learning

- practice and develop their academic skills such as essay writing
- learn more about the support services and extra-curricular activities available to help them make the most of their time at university.

Designed to be flexible, students can learn at a time and pace that best suits them. The course material is relevant to all those considering university and will be particularly helpful to learners studying 'non-traditional' qualifications and/or are from widening participation backgrounds.

Interested students can register their place now on the FutureLearn platform here: Skills to Succeed at University - Online Course - FutureLearn

For a full list of the free, online courses we have available for school and college learners, please visit our Going to University Collection webpage here: Online courses for schools | University of Leeds

University of Leeds – Online Mentoring for Aspiring Dental Professionals

Year 12 & 13 students only (that meet certain criteria)

We're excited to partner with Brightside and our student widening access group within the Dental School, Open Wide, to provide this exciting opportunity for aspiring dental professionals.

Students will be paired with a current student at the University of Leeds, and will be able to ask their mentor any questions they have through the moderated Brightside platform.

This opportunity is open to aspiring Year 12 students, and Year 13 students who are applying to Dental School this autumn. Registrations of interest close on Sunday 10th October 2021.

More information including eligibility criteria and how to apply can be found here: https://www.healthsciences.leeds.ac.uk/online-mentoring/

University of Leeds – Access to Leeds Programme (for most of their degree courses)

Year 12-13 students only (that meet certain criteria)

Access to Leeds, our contextual admissions scheme here at Leeds, offers students the opportunity to study an undergraduate degree with lower entry requirements than our standard offer.

Applications to the programme will open in late September, with applications closing

for Medicine and Dentistry applicants in early November. Applications for most other courses closes in February 2022.

Visit our Access to Leeds page to find out more about the application process and the scheme here: https://www.leeds.ac.uk/access-to-leeds

University of Leeds – Medicine, Dentistry & Healthcare Futures Programme

Year 12 students only (that meet widening participation criteria)

We're excited to be launching our popular Medicine, Dentistry and Healthcare Futures programmes later this Autumn.

Designed for Year 12 students interested in health-related careers, the programmes run for twelve months throughout 2022 and introduce and support students during Year 12 and 13, through a series of regular online talks and workshops and the opportunity to visit the University of Leeds campus.

Futures will help students develop the knowledge, skills and insight to apply to competitive health courses. Students must meet our widening participation criteria to apply for a place on one of our programmes. Find out more here: https://www.healthsciences.leeds.ac.uk/futures/

Applications to our three Futures programmes will open on Monday 11th October and close on Friday 26th November 2021.

APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

IBM School Leaver Opportunities

At IBM, work is more than a job -it's a calling: To build. To design. To code. To consult. To think along with clients and sell. To make markets. To invent. To collaborate. Not just to do something better, but to attempt things you've never thought possible. To lead in this new era of technology and solve some of the world's most challenging problems.

IBM is a large Technology, Business and Consulting firm and stands for “International Business Machines”. IBM’s headquarters are based in Armonk, New York and we have locations all over the UK. We have over 380,000 employees worldwide and operate in 175 different countries. Join us and be part of a diverse and global team of thinkers and doers –people who want to make an impact, cultivate their expertise and collaborate with some of the world’s top business and technology professionals.

If you are exploring your options post-education, our IBM School Leaver Schemes will enable you to gain the experience, skills and contacts you need to start building a bright future. The choice of scheme is yours. You’ll work on real projects, with real

clients and real bottom-line deliverables. Our opportunities will give you everything you need to build a successful career.

When you join IBM, you will become part of the 'Foundation' Early Professional community alongside Apprentices, Futures students, University Placement students and Graduates. As part of this community, you will be assigned an Early Professional Manager (in addition to your day-to-day Task manager). Your Early Professional Manager will be with you every step of the way, ensuring you get the experience you need to get to the next step in your career. They will support you with your training and development and to give-back to the community both inside, and outside of IBM.

You do not need to have any prior work experience; instead, we're looking for enthusiastic, driven and innovative individuals, with a passion for business and technology.

Register your interest here: IBM Careers - School Leaver - United Kingdom

Apprentice Nation

Watch videos and join webinars featuring amazing Apprentice Nation artists including **AJ Tracey, Krept & Konan, Ray BLK, RAYE**. It's a great way to explore the world of apprenticeships, **discover how to make your CV pop**, get tips on how to boss a networking event, manage your money and so much more.

Watch **AJ Tracey, Mae Muller and Ivorian Doll** perform some of their biggest songs live on **7 October**. Get exclusive insight into each artist's career journey and how they made it to where they are now.

Find out more and join here: https://apprenticenation.co.uk/join/

Rate My Apprenticeship Virtual Event (20th & 21st October)

Meet and hear from 15 of the best apprenticeship employers in the UK, including Aldi, Deloitte and Vodaphone.

The event is open to one and all and **FREE** to attend. So if you're interested in learning more about apprenticeships and the opportunities available in 2021/22, and getting expert advice, then come along!

THE EVENT

• **Main Stage:** Watch 30-minute presentations from each company, with Q&As

• **Virtual Booths:** Speak directly with employers and get exclusive insights into their application process, what they look for in applicants and much more

• **Panel Discussions:** Hear from current apprentices sharing their experiences

• **LIVE Chat Box:** Get instant answers to your questions throughout the day

• **Competitions & Giveaways:** Take part to win some fantastic prizes

Register for a place here: https://events.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/

The National Apprenticeship Show North (17th November, 11am-6pm)

This free event highlights Apprenticeship opportunities and offers information from Northern England's top employers and training providers.

Register for a place here: https://nasnorth.vfairs.com/en/register

WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES

Medic Mentor's Medicine, Dentistry & Veterinary Medicine Virtual Work Experience (Apply Now!)

Year 10-12 students only

Applications are now open for Academic Year 2021-2022 to participate in the UK's largest national virtual work experience programmes. These are free and ideal for any aspiring Year 10-12 student from any background considering a career in Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Medicine.

You can apply online using a free application form for each programme:

Medicine: https://medicmentor.co.uk/university-hospitals-birmingham-trust-virtual-work-experience/

Dentistry: https://medicmentor.co.uk/dental-live-virtual-work-experience/

Veterinary Medicine: https://medicmentor.co.uk/veterinary-virtual-live-work-experience/

Each work experience day will take place online via a safe portal and live stream. These usually take place on a Saturday or Sunday each month. Students who complete the programme will be awarded with a certificate acknowledging the completion of their work experience, which they will be able to use to support their UCAS applications.

Health Education England have also acknowledged that virtual work experience programmes are an excellent adjunct to in-person work experience, and we believe that they are also valuable because of their accessibility to all. The Medical Schools will also be accepting virtual work experience as valuable insight opportunities as part of applications this year.

KPMG Discovery Virtual Work Experience (28th-29th October, Apply Now!)

Year 13 students only

Join us and you'll gain an exclusive insight into one of the **world's leading professional service firms**, the work we do, the industries we work in and the big issues facing our clients. The programme will also give you the opportunity to engage with our current KPMG apprentices, graduates and Senior leaders who will share their experiences as well as giving you the opportunity to take part in interactive sessions to enhance your skillset.

Better yet this virtual experience will also give you the opportunity to transfer your current application to the second stage of the recruitment process for one of our **2022 Apprenticeship Programmes** upon completion of necessary assessments and your Discovery experience (subject to meeting the academic requirements).

For more information and to apply view here:
KPMG_Discovery_Work_Experience_Student_Comms.pdf (mcusercontent.com)

Springpod's Virtual Work Experience (including week commencing 25th October)

Year 10-13 students only

Discover the world of work, gain unique industry insights and complete workplace-style activities with leading employers in the UK. And the best part - it's free.

Some of our most popular virtual work experiences are running next month so make sure you apply in good time.

Here's a few of the programmes on offer: Psychology, Aerospace with Airbus, Law, Rail transport with LNER, Veterinary science, Journalism, Atkins Future Innovators (STEM), Dentistry, Technology, Marketing, Finance, Teaching, Politics & loads more!

View programmes and apply here: Free Virtual Work Experience | Springpod

Siemens Virtual Work Experience Programme (25th October – 5th November)

Year 10-13 students only

Applications are now open for the next cohort of Siemens Work Experience!

Since the pandemic Siemens has created a virtual work experience program which combines a series of videos, live webinars and activities, to create an engaging and interactive experience for students all the while keeping people safe.

Feedback from the previous two virtual programs has been outstanding, Siemens looks forward to hosting successful applicants this autumn.

Find out more and apply here:
https://new.siemens.com/uk/en/company/education/work-experience.html

PARENTS & CARERS

Young Professionals Parent/Carers Information Evening (30th September)

The job market for students leaving school or university can be tricky and now more than ever we need to help them as much as we can to secure the very best opportunities when they enter the workplace. We would like to extend our invitation to you for our very first parent / carers information evening event.

We have leaders from some of the biggest employers in their industry IBM, HSBC, PwC, bp, University of Bath, Clifford Chance & Capgemini coming to talk to you about how your son / daughter or young person under your care can navigate the job market to find some incredible work experience / internship placements as well as graduate and apprenticeship opportunities. We will be sharing some useful tips around psychometric testing, how to prepare for assessment centres, CV's, and applications as well as lots of information around preparing your child / young person for the workplace / university.

This event is free of charge and it will be running on **Thursday 30th September, 6pm-7:30pm**. You will have the opportunity to join this event virtually with your son / daughter / and or young person, ask questions you want directly to leading employers and obtain lots of useful information. The booking link can be found below here.

Register for a place here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YP-Insight-Evening

Propella

Propella is a free interactive online tool to help parents and carers easily compare and explore their child's career and education options.

Propella – Help your child to fly.

Success at School – Free Careers Guides for Parents & Carers

Free careers guides for parents and carers, to support your child through their career choices

Parents' guide:

This year's Parents' Guide will be our second edition, and has a skills specific theme. This guide has been designed to help parents support their children in making informed decisions about their future, and develop the correct skills to help them succeed. Parents will benefit from content on topics including:

- **Pathways into work**, including T-levels, apprenticeships and university
- The importance of **employability skills**
- The value of **work experience** placements
- **Student finance** and choosing student accommodation

- Careers advice **dos and don’ts**
- **24-day “skills workout” exercises** to complete at home, designed to help young people actively develop eight key employability skills
- **PLUS interviews and guest content** from organisations including PwC, University of Bath, Sky, Institute of Student Employers, Staffordshire University and many more

STEM guide:

This year’s STEM Guide explores the full range of secondary and A-level STEM subjects, to help young people to understand more about careers in the STEM field. This comprehensive guide has been designed to showcase just how creative, exciting and rewarding a career in STEM can be. Students will benefit from content including:

- **10 detailed subject pages**, each detailing career paths these can lead to and the qualifications needed to get there
- **Pathways into STEM**, covering T-levels, apprenticeships and university
- **STEM in its real world applications** looking at innovations STEM has helped us create through history and how it can benefit us in the future
- **Case studies and interviews** from organisations including TFL, Sky, Royal Horticultural Society and many more

Sign up here: Get Your Downloadable Parents' Careers Guides (mailchi.mp)

Success at School – A Parents’ Guide to Apprenticeships

You’ve almost certainly heard about apprenticeships by now. But if you think they’re second best to a university degree, you’ve been misinformed! Apprenticeships can be a pathway to a degree – paid for in full by the employer while your child earns a wage.

In this article, we define apprenticeships, go through the different types, compare them to university, explore some of the programmes available, look at how much your child can expect to earn and explain how to help your child find an apprenticeship.

Have a look at this video summarising the different benefits university and apprenticeships can offer:

View information and watch the video here: A Parent's Guide To Apprenticeships | Success At School

The Parent Perspective Podcast

Parents and carers are one of the biggest influencers on a young person making their career decisions. “The Parent Perspective” is an exciting new **podcast series for parents and carers**, helping them to support their children with careers advice and guidance.

Together with Not Going to Uni and producer, The Branding Man, we want to make sure that we are supporting parents to feel informed and confident in providing careers support and guidance to their child, so that they ultimately make the best decisions for them.

This podcast will provide a space for listeners to:

- Explore which careers are available today
- Showcase the experiences of interesting and diverse role models
- Provide real-time insights into how the world of work is changing

…all through a parents’ perspective.

Each episode will feature a panel of diverse parents, bringing their questions and insights to expert speakers to try to tackle and offer practical solutions to some of the challenges parents currently face in supporting their children to make informed decisions.

Find out more here: https://amazingapprenticeships.com/the-parent-perspective-podcast/

Amazing Apprenticeships Parents’ & Carers Pack – September

The September pack includes articles on preparing for the year ahead, apprenticeship and traineeship explainers, supporting students with a disability, apprenticeships in law and more.

Download the September pack here (and access earlier packs):
https://amazingapprenticeships.com/resource/parents-and-carers-pack-september-21/