



Sixth Form Bulletin 17 Sept 2021

PARENT NOTICES

YEAR 13:

Reminder of UCAS Application Deadlines:

Oxbridge, High Tariff, Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science – internal deadline 24 September . UCAS Deadline 15 October.

Standard Entry Applications – Internal Deadline 5 November . UCAS Deadline 26 January

Universities are now offering in person open days. Newcastle University in person Open day is on Saturday 25 September 11-4pm

YEAR 12:

Subject Switch Week – Please see a member of the 6th form team if you wish to change a subject

UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE

ALL: The Birmingham Widening Access to Medical Sciences society (BWAMS) at the University of Birmingham aims to encourage and support students from disadvantaged backgrounds in undertaking careers in medical sciences. They aim to inspire and inform students about a career in Medicine. They are hosting their annual DR.EAM Senior Conference this year. The DR.EAM Senior Conference is a free outreach event aimed at Year 13 students who are considering a career in medicine. They will provide students with insight into life as both a medical student and doctor and advice on the next steps to prepare for an application. The day will consist of inspiring talks and panels made up of doctors and medical students from around the country. This will include an application crash course, interview advice and a Q&A panel with medical students and doctors. • Date: Saturday 25th September 2021 • Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm They believe that this event will be hugely beneficial for students considering studying Medicine at University. Please apply before Monday 20th September 2021 using the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/zXXfvdx98>

YEAR 13: Sydney Sussex, Cambridge interview advice is available now <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5ZhtCIF6B6D6NeL9YytXTQ>

YEAR 13: if you are applying to high tariff courses this site has lost of free webinars to help your application and preparation for entry tests. <https://www.uniadmissions.co.uk/open-day-register/>

ALL: Premed Project have introduced The Weekly Surgery, a live online course that takes place **every Monday** at 7.30pm, join hundreds of students from all over the world who are interested in applying for med school & interact with doctors, medical students and each other every week. For every full month completed, students obtain a signed certificate to use in applications. There are 250 free 1 month subscriptions use the code WEEKLY1 at the checkout and enjoy the course for no charge www.theweeklysurgery.com

ALL: UK University and Apprenticeship Search are also running a new virtual event on Wednesday 29 September for students looking to attend a Russell Group university. The event will feature all 24 Russell Group universities, and students will be able to chat directly to university representatives, download documents and take part in 12 live webinars. To register for a place, see <https://russellgroup.vfairs.com>

YEAR 12: Sutton Trust Pathways programme is now open for applications. There are Pathways to Banking & Finance, Consulting, Engineering, Law or Medicine programmes. There are entry criteria but joining these programmes can result in a contextual offer to university courses. Pathways programs provide academic and sector-specific support for students who are interested in pursuing a career in that discipline. Through skills sessions, admissions support, mentoring and meeting industry experts, you will have the opportunity to explore whether the course is the right path for you, and build the essential knowledge, skills and confidence required to go on to higher education and the world of work. Application deadline is 30 November 2021 <https://pathways.suttontrust.com/>

YEAR 12: Newcastle University MaD Days Our Medicine MaD Days are a half-day on-campus experience, where year 12 students get hands-on experience in our Clinical Skills Lab, to meet current Medicine students and receive a talk on the admission process to study Medicine at university. Further information and booking can be found [here](#). Our Dentistry MaD Day will take place virtually this year but students will still get to take part in a practical session led by one of our Clinical Lecturers from the School of Dental Sciences, meet current Dentistry students and receive a talk on the admission process to study Dentistry at university. Further information and booking can be found [here](#).

YEAR 12: Newcastle University **Mini Medical School 2021** Explore the exciting world of Medical Sciences by joining us for a series of interactive lectures delivered virtually by expert clinicians and academics. This is a fantastic opportunity to offer insight into a wide range of topics. Previous programmes have covered a range of exciting topics, including: Anaesthetics, Dermatology, emergency medicine, medical scanning technology, Psychology, Pharmacy, sport and exercise science. The evening lectures will take place on: 04 November 2021 6pm-7pm, 11 November 2021 6pm-7pm, 18 November 2021 6pm-7pm, 25 November 2021 6pm-7pm, 02 December 2021 6pm-7pm. <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=vRJQnBa2wkSpF2aBT74-hz7mz6raf8FPqkL1FPGiSVUOEhWVvHmNVZHRDFXQUpNUjJTDFBwK43WCQIQCN0PWcu>

ALL: Leeds university have 3 webinars for those interested in or applying for healthcare careers:

Applying to Medicine, Dentistry and Healthcare Courses Tuesday 5 October, 5-6

Preparing for the BioMedical Aptitude Test (BMAT) Tuesday 12 October, 5-6

Preparing for Interviews Tuesday 30 November, 5- 6

To register <https://leeds.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/mhwebinars-autumn-2021>



WORK EXPERIENCE & ENRICHMENT

YEAR 13: National Audit Office – Access Accountancy Work Experience takes place 25 – 29 October. Applications close 18 September. This is based in the Newcastle Office and is an opportunity to explore the business and role before applying for their apprenticeship. Contact Mrs Howorth if you are interested in applying for the application information.

ALL: York University have produced a comprehensive guide to your EPQ. <https://you-at-york.org.uk/101J-70ZEU-27VMCK-46KOWS-1/c.aspx>

ALL: Blagdon Farm Shop have a vacancy for a weekend retail sales assistant and fresh food assistant. See Mrs Howorth for application information

ALL: EY have now opened applications for their business academy work placements in Newcastle in July 2022. Places are limited so early registration is advise. https://www.ey.com/en_uk/careers/students/programmes/schools/ey-business-academy

ALL: Morgan Stanley Step In, Step Up: An Insight to Banking Programme, is an introductory two-day programme designed for Year 12 / 13 students identifying as female. This programme comprises of divisional overviews, case studies, panel sessions, a trading floor tour and interactive workshops. Programme dates: 26 & 27 October 2021 (Programme to be hosted either virtually or in their 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. [Click here to apply](#)

ALL: Newcastle University 'The Girls in STEM Club' is a new online space for girls age 14+, Newcastle University staff, students and alumni to find all kinds of support, advice and inspiration around STEM education and careers. Members will have access to monthly Q&A sessions with inspirational women working in STEM, monthly online workshops and eventually in-person events on campus too. Girls will be able to ask for guidance on anything from coursework, applying to university and careers. Our first virtual workshop will take place on Wednesday 6th October at 4pm so please circulate this information to your students before then so they don't miss out! This introductory workshop explores the history of women in STEM. Students can sign up here: <https://stem.ncl.ac.uk/projects/the-girls-in-stem-club/>

ALL: The Public Lectures Series hosted by Newcastle University starts next month. Forthcoming talks are below, with links to more detail. To see the full programme, visit the INSIGHTS Public Lectures Website. ■ Tuesday 12 October, 5.30pm Britain after the Pandemic John Rentoul, Chief Political Commentator, The Independent ■ Thursday 14 October, 5.30pm Women, men and money in Britain Professor Emma Griffin, University of East Anglia and President of the Royal Historical Society ■ Tuesday 19 October, 5.30pm In conversation with Darren Henley, Chief Executive of Arts Council England ■ Thursday 21 October, 5.30pm Black History Month Lecture Warm words are not enough - repaying the debt to our black heroes Marcus Ryder, Head of External Consultancies, Sir Lenny Henry Centre for Media Diversity, Birmingham University and Chair of RADA

ALL: The UK University & Apprenticeship Search are hosting an exciting and free Virtual Fair on Wednesday 20 October. This will help you to explore your next steps, with a wide range of universities, colleges and apprenticeship providers from around the UK attending. Speak directly with admissions teams and recruitment officers from Russell Group, Red Brick, Modern & Specialist universities, along with higher & degree apprenticeship providers, and participate in 10 live webinars and view virtual campus tours. You can sign up <https://ukunisearch.vfairs.com>

ALL: Channel Talent have a large number of online talks which are useful for & EPQ and Super Curricula. This is not an exhaustive list! Full listing and information <https://www.channeltalent.co.uk/events/list/>

- September 27 @ 12:45 - 13:30 Liberal Arts & Natural Sciences: Interdisciplinary Problem Solving - Session 1 - Birmingham (KS4 & KS5)
- September 28 @ 12:45 - 13:45 Society for Natural Sciences: Astrobiology, Finding Life on Planets & Studying Natural Sciences (KS5)
- October 4 @ 16:15 - 17:15 Psychology - University Module Insights - UEA & Glasgow (KS5)
- October 11 @ 16:45 - 17:30 Mathematics: The Nature & Applications of Complex Numbers - Tutorial - UEA (KS5)
- October 12 @ 16:15 - 17:15 General Engineering - University Module Insights - Sheffield & UEA (KS5)
- October 18 @ 15:35 - 16:20 Biology: Causes & Tackling Antibiotic Resistance - Tutorial - UEA (KS5)
- September 29 @ 17:15 - 18:00 Nursing: Why Choose Nursing at Aberystwyth University?
- September 29 @ 14:15 - 15:15 Accounting/Finance - University Module Insights - UEA & 1 Uni TBC (KS5)
- October 5 @ 16:15 - 17:15 Immigration/Migration – Interdisciplinary University Perspectives & Debate - Sheffield (Geography) & 1 Uni TBC (KS4 & KS5)
- October 19 @ 16:15 - 17:15 Social Policy - University Module Insights - 2 Unis TBC (KS5)
- October 6 @ 14:15 - 15:15 Architecture - University Module Insights - 2 Unis TBC (KS5)
- October 18 @ 16:45 - 17:30 Art: Exploring Composition Techniques - Tutorial - Reading (KS5)
- October 11 @ 15:35 - 16:20 Modern Languages: Linking Language, Culture & Identity - Tutorial - Warwick (KS5)
- October 20 @ 12:00 - 13:00 History: Why Did Germans Vote For Hitler? - Goldsmiths (KS5)



WORK EXPERIENCE & ENRICHMENT

ALL: 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>

ALL: Aqeel H Noorali Essay Competition, 15th October, <https://www.bvl.org.uk/aqeel-h-noorali-essaycompetition> 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://bvllaw.typeform.com/to/v9XLbDG4>.

ALL: PRS for Music Event and Simkins LLP Event, Deadline for applications 26th September, <https://www.bvl.org.uk/prs-for-music-simkins-event> This event presents students with a chance to learn about the fascinating field of music and entertainment law. Students will attend: a workshop on copyright law with Nick Eziefula (Partner at Simkins LLP); talks from Amy Urpi (Head of Legal at PRS for Music), Jess Welch (Associate at Simkins LLP) and Jonathan Aitken (General Counsel at PRS for Music); and speed networking sessions with the lawyers, where they will be able to ask them questions about their careers and how to get into music and entertainment law. Students must be 16 or older and attending a state school. Apply here: <https://bvllaw.typeform.com/to/pWxMAREg>. All of these projects are completely free of charge and open exclusively to state school students. More information about these projects is on their website (<https://www.bvl.org.uk/>). You may (and are encouraged to) apply to participate in multiple projects. All projects are currently running virtually over Zoom.

ALL: Work Experience is available in our feeder primary schools. If you are interested in healthcare or teaching careers this is a key component of the application. Please see MRs Routledge for information.

APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeships are a good alternative to consider. They all include an industry recognized qualification alongside paid employment. Lengths of apprenticeships vary from 1 year to 6 years.

ALL: Northern National Apprenticeship highlights Apprenticeship opportunities and offers information from Northern England's top employers and training providers! Please note that you need to register individually to get the most out of this event. Date: 17 November 2021 11am - 6pm Register for free by clicking this link - <https://nasnorth.vfairs.com/en/register>

YEAR 13: Morrisons are now recruiting for their 2021 degree apprenticeship. <https://www.morrisons.jobs/early-careers/degree-apprenticeships>

ALL: The government apprenticeship search site can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>