Sixth Form Bulletin  6 Feb 2022

ALL: Students have permission to have driving lessons during the school day but are not allowed to miss lessons for this. As is the case with reporting any absence, please could we ask that an email be sent to d.mckenna@ponthigh.org.uk with the name of the driving school and times in advance please.

Year 13 students who have applied to university need to now start thinking about student finance applications. The site will open in March. https://studentfinance.campaign.gov.uk/

Year 12: Sutton Trust Summer School Applications deadline is 9 March. If you are interested in applying then you still have time to do this https://summerschools.suttontrust.com/ Durham University Sutton Trust Scheme https://www.dur.ac.uk/sutton.trust/

Year 12: Sutton Trust Degree Apprenticeship Summer School. Application are open for this programme. Degree Apprenticeships are a very popular way of gaining a degree whilst working within your chosen career. The Sutton Trust Apprenticeship Summer School will be delivered in partnership with leading employers. The programme will help you make an informed decision about your future career. https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/apprenticeship-summer-school/

Year 12: Leeds University STEM summer schools now open to express interest. This year they will be offering summer schools in Maths, Bioscience and Food Science. https://www.stem.leeds.ac.uk/sixth-form-students/summerschools/

Year 12: In2Science Summer Programme and mentor scheme open for applications. The In2scienceUK programme offers Year 12 students the chance to gain real-world experience, expert insights and practical support to help kickstart your future career in STEM. Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. https://in2scienceuk.org/students/apply/

Year 12: University of York Virtual Physics Work Experience Week will open for applications shortly https://www.york.ac.uk/physics/public-and-schools/secondary/work-experience/

ALL: UK University & Apprenticeship Search are holding a virtual fair on Wednesday 17 March (12 noon – 6pm). The virtual fair will feature a wide range of exhibiting universities, colleges, and apprenticeship providers, allowing students to explore their regional and local post-18 options. During the event students will be able to visit exhibition stands and chat to representatives, view information and videos, download prospectuses, and take part in live webinars in a virtual auditorium. For more information and to register for a place, see https://ukunisearch-north.vfairs.com/

ALL: Brighton and Hove Medical School have a ‘Get into Medicine’ Webinar which explains the application process on 10 February. https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/getting-into-medicine-tickets-239123945157?aff=ereillvmlt

ALL: Newcastle University Supported progression Scheme - Partners has some changed criteria. Y12 students should look at these resources also for eligibility as it can give a reduced offer for courses. https://www.ncl.ac.uk/schools/partners/apply

YEAR 12: Oxford and Cambridge Student Conference will take place virtually this year, between 14 and 25th March. This event is essential for anyone considering applying to either university. Different subjects will be on different days. Find more details at: https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/events/student-conferences

ALL: insight4me have several events coming up including talks on History, Computer Science, Journalism, Philosophy and Chemistry. Useful for developing a deeper knowledge of topics. The full event listing is https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/getting-into-medicine-tickets-239123945157?aff=ereillvmlt


ALL: Cambridge University Subject Masterclasses will be open for registrations this month and take place virtually in March and April. https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/events/masterclasses to sign up
Festival of Apprenticeships – runs from 7 to 11 February and is the largest apprentice carders fair. Sign up is essential Online Careers Fair - Festival of Apprenticeships

Nissan Apprenticeship application close on 13 February. There is a recruitment fair at Nissan on 10 February. To sign up for this event - paste this link SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/NISSANAPPFEB

Ward Hadaway are now recruiting for their Apprenticeship programme that commences in September 2022. The six-year programme allows apprentices to fully qualify as a solicitor while earning a salary with no tuition fees. It also offers a chance to secure a long-term career at one of the world’s largest law firms. Entry requirements for the scheme are at least 120 UCAS points (BBB). For more information, Apply online via their website or submit your CV and cover letter directly to the Recruitment Assistant, Ami Disdale (Ami.Disdale@wardhadaway.com), who can also help with any questions you may have. The deadline for applications is 25 February 2022.


National Apprenticeship Listing with all national higher and degree apprenticeships has now been launched. https://amazingapprenticeships.com/higher-degree-listing/

Balfour Beatty Finance, payroll and electrical design apprenticeships. Applications Closes 6 March https://balfour-beatty.headstartapp.com/role/5fff098440372b00083263a0

There is also a Quantity Surveyor apprenticeship with Manchester Met – and an entry requirement of 112 UCAS points. https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000028417

Civil Service Apprenticeships. There are now 25 vacancies listed for apprenticeships with the civil service including ICT, Finance and Accounting, Project Management and Engineering https://www.civilservicejobs.service.gov.uk/csr/index.cgi

KPMG currently accepting applications for apprenticeships based in Newcastle and UK in Audit, Software, Law, Data and Analytics https://www.kpmgcareers.co.uk/apprentice/?utm_source=ucas&utm_campaign=app21_nm_apprentice_naw_html_Feb21


Womble Bond Dickinson Solicitor Apprenticeship is now open and closes on 15 March. Entry requirement is CCC at A level. https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000028730

Amazon Chartered Management Degree Apprenticeship is open now and closes on 14 March. Entry requirement is 2x C at A level https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000029756
ENRICHMENT

ALL: Fareshare are a local charity based in Westerhope who distribute food to community groups, schools and foodbanks. They are looking for volunteers to assist and have many different roles available. This can be fitted around timetables if you have a chunk of free time. Full training and PPE provided. [https://fareshare.org.uk/volunteer/](https://fareshare.org.uk/volunteer/)

YEAR 12: PWC’s Virtual Summer Programme launched on 1st February. An interactive virtual summer programme for students interested in Business, Accounting, Finance & Technology Y12 students. A unique opportunity to hear about the different entry routes into up ASAP if it’s of interest as places are limited [https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/student-careers/school-careers/our-programmes/insight-weeks.html](https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/student-careers/school-careers/our-programmes/insight-weeks.html)

ALL: A wide range of resources to use for Humanities, Classics, Social Sciences, Computer Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths, History, Geography, Arts, Languages, Politics, Psychology, RE, Law. Includes future options sources, application help and resources for entry exams. Many links are helpful for EPQ as sources. [https://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/increasing-access/ug-digital-resources/students-over-16](https://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/increasing-access/ug-digital-resources/students-over-16)

ALL: Oxford University Maths Club for all things maths! [https://www.maths.ox.ac.uk/node/37970](https://www.maths.ox.ac.uk/node/37970)

ALL: Economics Observatory for all things Economics, but lots of information re impact of Covid. [https://www.economicsobservatory.com/](https://www.economicsobservatory.com/)

ALL: Cambridge University – Exploring beyond the syllabus has lots of resources to support applications but also deeper dives into subjects. [https://www.sid.cam.ac.uk/apply/undergraduate-study/beyond-syllabus](https://www.sid.cam.ac.uk/apply/undergraduate-study/beyond-syllabus)

YEAR 13: The Year in Industry (YINI) is a gap year option that gives students the opportunity to gain first-hand knowledge and experience of working within one of the following industries: Science (particularly Physics), Engineering, Technology/Electronics, Maths, Business, Finance, IT, HR, or Marketing. The scheme provides paid work experience and skills that will benefit students during their further studies and into employment. YINI students make key contacts for the future with some students offered company sponsorship, paid holiday work and in some cases alternative routes into their chosen career, for example the offer of an apprenticeship. Students can register now for a September 2022 placement; for more information [https://www.etrust.org.uk/the-year-in-industry](https://www.etrust.org.uk/the-year-in-industry)

Year 12: Deconstruct 2022 – Raising Your Voice. 28-31 March. This year’s festival for Year 12 students explores how voices are amplified or suppressed, and how young people can create platforms for their voices to be heard. The keynote speaker is journalist, podcaster and author Yomi Adegoke. Joining her on the festival programme are Shout Out UK, Greenpeace, Turner Contemporary Gallery, and EcoActive. There will also be sessions by Goldsmiths academics from the departments of: Anthropology; Law; Media, Communications and Cultural Studies; Politics and International Relations; Psychology; Sociology; and Theatre and Performance. The event is free to attend and sessions take place between 4.00pm and 7.15pm. [https://www.gold.ac.uk/schools-and-colleges/deconstruct/?utm_source=Heads+of+6th&utm_campaign=533bf3aa08-Student-opportunities+-+February&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_36c44588b4-533bf3aa08-116064805&mc_cid=533bf3aa08&mc_eid=0fceaa0aa3](https://www.gold.ac.uk/schools-and-colleges/deconstruct/?utm_source=Heads+of+6th&utm_campaign=533bf3aa08-Student-opportunities+-+February&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_36c44588b4-533bf3aa08-116064805&mc_cid=533bf3aa08&mc_eid=0fceaa0aa3)

Year 12: MediCamp at UWC Atlantic are pleased to be able to offer a full Scholarship worth £2,450 to one 16-18 year-old student attending a school or college within the UK. Taking place between the 31st July and the 14th August 2022. MediCamp is a residential 14 day medical programme delivered by sector-leading professors, clinicians, partners and practitioners to dissect the anatomy of the medical world. [http://uwcatlanticexperience.com/medicamp-scholarships/](http://uwcatlanticexperience.com/medicamp-scholarships/)

ALL: Eversheds Life as a Lawyer is on 22 March. We have 2 places for this event. Please see Mrs Howorth if you are interested.

ALL: The Charlotte Straker Project in Corbridge is accepting applications for work experience for those interested in medical, nursing or health and social care. You will need to be double vaccinated. This can be a week or two week placement or over a longer term. Please see Mrs Howorth if you are interested.