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and opportunities are detailed below. Please contact me using the details at the end of the newsletter if I can be of any further help or support.

**MAY 2023** 

# **Open Events at local** colleges

I would strongly encourage Year 10 pupils who may be interested in a technical or vocational pathway to start visiting colleges this term.

elcome to the May edition of the Wanstead

I hope you find the information both useful

High School careers newsletter. As always,

and informative. Details of careers events, resources

7<sup>th</sup> June - <u>Waltham Forest College</u> 30<sup>th</sup> May - <u>Access Creative</u> Dates across May, June and July - <u>Capel Manor</u> 10<sup>th</sup> June - <u>Newham College</u>

# Sixth Form updates

**\*REMEMBER\*** to add any activities you take part in to your Unifrog profile as evidence of the skills and knowledge you are developing outside of the classroom. You should also check and complete any interactions at the top of your home page. This will become particularly important with the university and careers events that are planned for Year 12 next Half Term.

In addition to this event and the Skills Builder Q and A for National Careers Week, the PE department hosted an interactive session with a personal trainer and the English department hosted a Penguin publishing careers workshop. You can find out more about these in the April edition of the Heron Homelink <u>here</u>.

The following trip for Year 12 has been organised:

## UCAS Higher Education Fair

### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June

UCAS Discovery exhibitions bring together the experts to help you shortlist your options, all under one roof. At a Discovery exhibition you will be able to:

- meet over 100 unis, colleges, and apprenticeship employers face-to-face
- find out about different options and pathways
- listen to live expert talks
- get the latest advice and information on different career choices.



Parents/carers, please return the Google Consent Form on the letter that has already been emailed to you, thank you.

## Personal Statement Seminar Wadham College Oxford

### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2pm-3pm venue Theatre

### Year 12 Students please use sign up sheet on Google Classrooms

- The seminar will cover how to:
- Structure a strong personal statement
- Compose an attention grabbing first paragraph
- Successfully include your super/extra curricular achievements
- Avoid making classic mistakes

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# Year 12 Careers Seminars

We were very fortunate to have Claire Kinselly, a top Recruitment and Careers specialist deliver two very well attended career seminars to our Year 12s.

Claire has an illustrious CV and can list years of service with major blue-chip companies. Her seminars were held

# Imperial College London Presidential Scholarships

There will 20 full undergraduate scholarships over the next 5 years (as well as Master's and PhD scholarships) for pupils of black heritage, and the College is providing a range of other support and guidance. This is part of a £10 million investment to drive Black inclusivity at the College, with the long-term vision and aim of creating a legacy of Black scientists and researchers.

There will be a free event on the 5<sup>th</sup> July where pupils can hear from leading Black academics and the current Black student community at the College. You can find more information on the scholarships and the campaign here - <u>https://campaigns.imperial.ac.uk/</u> your-community/

Please let Mr Langford or Ms Van Beers know if you would be interested in attending the event.



over two days and covered 'Careers in Law and Finance' and 'Careers in Social Sciences'.

Pupils had opportunity to ask 1:1 questions at the end of the session and Claire was very kind to email back with further information and links which have been shared on our Year 12 Google Classrooms.



# opendays.com university and college open days

# UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE





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# Work Experience Springpod

In-depth, interactive and informative virtual work experiences from industry experts in the world's leading employers.

10-hour placements that you can complete in your own time (within 2 weeks), consisting of engaging talks from industry experts and mini workplace-based activities, projects and quizzes. You will receive a certificate upon completion.

Find out more, sign up for the platform and a placement here: <u>https://www.springpod.com/virtual-work-experience</u>

### CAA work experience available to apply for now-takes

#### place on the 24<sup>th</sup> of July.

The programme takes a closer look at the CAA as an organisation, while also taking pupils on a journey into the careers that they could go into within the aerospace industry. Whatever their interests or career ambitions, there's a lot for students to discover here and get excited about.

The CAA are a public corporation, established by Parliament in 1972 as an independent specialist aviation regulator. They have a number of responsibilities including regulating UK airports, dealing with drone permissions and ensuring pilot medical standards are met.

The programme can be completed flexibly studies. Even just half an hour per day is enough to finish the programme.

And most importantly, it's completely free for students to apply and complete.

Below is a shareable link to the programme.

https://www.springpod.com/virtual-work-experience/ aviation-aerospace-virtual-work-experience

# SPEAKERS for schools

# Read this to raise their future salary

Let's open doors for your child to earn an extra £1,088 every year\*, through **career-enhancing work experience** 

We all want the best for our children but with the world of work changing so fast, it's hard to prepare them for what's to come. Did you know there's one thing you can do right now to empower them, without it costing you a penny?

We are a UK-wide charity that gives young people from state schools and colleges fully funded opportunities to meet leading employers and gain valuable insights.

Our research<sup>\*</sup> confirms that as well as building confidence, improving career knowledge and developing essential skills, attending high-quality work experience has the power to:  Raise your child's future earnings – Increasing their annual salary by £1,088 for each type of work experience done.
Improve their employability – Reducing their chance of becoming Not in Education or Employment (NEET) from 11 to 7%.

"Based on the results of a recent YouGov survey of 2,098 18-30-year-olds who completed work experience while still in school or college.

# Let them know about the power of work experience!

We offer a quick and easy way for your child to find and apply for taster sessions as well as longer virtual and in-person placements with leading employers such as Virgin, TikTok, Bentley Motors, Tesco, Boots, the NHS, Vodafone and Spotify. Once registered on our secure portal, your child can:

- Discover career-enhancing opportunities with over 1,000 big-name brands
- Get work experience from anywhere in the UK

Just encourage your child to follow our simple 3-step process to start them on their way...



Your child's school/college must also be registered with us. In the instance they aren't, please email the link below to your school/college careers lead with a request for them to sign up. <u>https://www.speakersforschools.org/getting-started</u>

# Proof that work experience works

Anna grew up in a rural area of Scotland. At 16, she did a virtual work experience placement through Speakers for Schools which she believes helped her to secure an apprenticeship with the same company. "I was lucky enough to find out that I had been successful in getting the apprenticeship just as the virtual sessions began.

I feel that applying for the work experience showed the panel that I was keen to learn more about Dounreay and contributed to my success in getting an apprenticeship."



#### More life-changing opportunities

Is your child's school/college signed up for our <u>inspirational talks programme</u> or our <u>National Teen Book Club</u>? Click the links to learn about yet more opportunities available to state schools and colleges, and their students.



## Find out more and browse our current opportunities

The registration link for the virtual open evening can be found in the newsletter and flyer attached, or here: <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-hybrid-work-experience-session-for-parentscarers-of-14-19yr-olds-tick-</u> <u>ets-622448218377</u>



# How to search and apply for T Levels

Around 160 schools and colleges already offer T Levels and many more will start offering them in September this year. You can search for colleges and schools currently offering T Levels <u>here</u>.

## T Levels Information Webinar

You can find out more about T Levels through this recorded webinar <u>here</u>.

# Parents' and carer's pack

Please click here to find all editions of the Amazing Apprenticehsips parent's and carer's packs up to April.

# Apprenticeship webinars with the British Army

Join Amazing Apprenticeships and the Army in upcoming webinars to gain invaluable insight into the extensive range of apprenticeships on offer, the Army Foundation College Harrogate (AFC) that caters to 16 - 17 year old's, and the application process. The first webinar for teachers, careers advisers and parents/carers takes place on Wednesday  $14^{th}$  June at 4pm. To register, please click <u>here</u>.

# The Met Police -New films available

The Met Police are recruiting for their Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship. A series of short films has been launched, which aim to give an insight to young people on what the role involves, how colleagues feel about working in the Met and their top advice when applying. To explore useful Met resources, click <u>here</u>.

# Youth Voice Census 2023

The annual Youth Voice Census is now available for 11-30 year olds to participate in and share their insights and experiences on a range of topics. The census is a great way to gauge the current mood of young people regarding education, employment and wellbeing. Please share the census with your students via the link available <u>here</u>.

## Pathways to apprenticeships -June 2023

The following ASK L&D session in June will be providing information and guidance on the different pathways into apprenticeships and how you can support your student/ child in choosing the best path for them to access apprenticeships. Click <u>here</u> to register

If you have questions related to learning pathways, jobs or careers please contact Mr Langford:

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