Wanstead High School February 2023

National Apprenticeship Week Special

elcome to the first edition of the Wanstead High School careers newsletter. I hope you find the information provided both useful and informative. This month's edition

will focus on National Apprenticeship Week, which takes place from 6-12th February. Details of events and resources are presented within this issue.

Message from the Minister for Skills - please click here

Skills Builder in Year 8

Year 8 pupils have now been participating in Skills Builder sessions in tutor time for more than a half term (find out more here: <u>https://www.skillsbuilder.org</u>, and are moving on from Teamwork to Problem Solving. We have received positive feedback about the programme from both pupils and tutors.

To aid pupil reflection on their skills development, we will be launching Skills Builder Benchmark in tutor time for them to use at home.

You can find out more about this and how to use it through these links:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZGLRvohzhkU

https://www.loom.com/share/6806e677457a4d-11b780a020cce988e0



Unifrog rollout in Year 9

We are both pleased and excited to inform Year 9 parents that we will be launching Unifrog to support the GCSE options process.

Unifrog is a universal destinations platform through which pupils can explore their interests and research subject and careers; we have launched it in our sixth form with very positive feedback. Further information will be forthcoming for both parents and students.

In the meantime, you can find out more here: <u>https://</u> <u>www.unifrog.org/about</u>



Year 11 updates

All pupils in Year 11 will have an appointment with our Prospects advisor. If your child would like a priority or urgent appointment, please contact Mr Langford or your child's tutor, who can make an appointment for them.

Events and opportunities are regularly posted on the Post-16 Pathways **GoogleClassroom (code 45me6yo)** please could you ensure that your child has joined? *The Wanstead High School Sixth Form deadline is Tuesday 28th February* You can apply <u>here</u>.

> Upcoming college open days 8th February - <u>Newham College</u> 8th February - <u>Big Creative Education</u> 4th February & 3rd April - <u>Access Creative</u> 25th March - <u>Capel Manor</u>

Sixth Form updates

Year 12 pupils have continued to explore Unifrog this term. All students were set a homework task before Christmas to start to document their 'transferable skills' on Unifrog evidencing skills like teamwork, leadership and decision making.

Through their involvement with the Social Contract, Open Evening, super-curricular and extra-curricular enrichment our cohort have many valuable competencies to log. Having this record will greatly assist any application they make next year be to universities, apprenticeships or for employment. 'Skills and Activity logs' can also be transposed to a CV template in Unifrog at any time. It would be really useful if parents and carers could ask their young person to show them their logs to date. It is always valuable to have someone who knows you well to prompt and remind you of things you may have overlooked.

I have recommended pupils continue to take and **save** Unifrog 'Quizzes' on a regular basis. There are a variety of quizzes on the platform ranging from 'interests' to 'work environments' and these are a really good way for the Unifrog database to start to build a profile based on your preferences. Quizzes can be taken multiple times as interests and focusses change and develop. Unifrog will actually suggest next step activities e.g., suggest webinars to watch or articles to read.

Over the next few weeks Year 12s will have dedicated mornings in tutor time sessions to use Unifrog to start to explore 'shortlists' for university, apprenticeships or both. Now that the cohort have their first term report they can input their aspirational grades into the Unifrog portal along with their subject and/or career interests, and explore which degree or apprenticeship opportunity they might like to work towards. Based on the shortlist created Unifrog will also send targeted emails of forthcoming open days or taster opportunities.

Events and webinars for National Apprentice Week will also be delivered through Unifrog interactions-pupils should check for these regularly.

By Ms Van beers

Careers Events and Opportunities

For Year 12 pupils

A speaker from the University of East Anglia will be visiting the school on Tuesday 7th February (2pm to 3pm) to discuss:

- The advantages of going to university
- Student life-what life might be like on a degree course
- How to begin to choose a course and university

Please see Ms Van beers to sign up.



NELFT NHS Foundation Trust A-LEVEL SUMMER SCHOOL 26-30 JUNE 2023

ARE YOU A YEAR 12 STUDENT?

INTERESTED IN STUDYING MEDICINE AT UNIVERSTIY?

WE ARE ORGANISING AN EXCITING HYBRID PROGRAMME

THE PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE: TALKS ON MEDICAL CAREERS WORK EXPERIENCE PLACEMENT TIPS ON APPLYING TO UNIVERSITY

SPEAK TO YOUR TEACHER IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN APPLYING

WE SUPPORT WIDENING ACCESS TO MEDICINE

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 28 MARCH 2023*

Applications will be judged and selected students notified by End of April 2023 Applications may close early should we receive a high number of applicants



A university taster event aimed at Year 10 pupils.

Places are limited. Apply here now:

Applications are welcomed from all pupils; however, places will be prioritised for those who are from groups that are underrepresented in higher education. Applications close on Monday 24th February 2023

(The application date is subject to closing early due to capacity)

NHS England Careers in Dentistry.

NHS England are holding a dentistry careers conference at

Wesley Euston Hotel, 81-103 Euston Street, NW1 2EZ

on Wednesday 12th April 2023 from 9am-1pm

The course is suitable for any pupil aged 14+ that is considering a career in dentistry and includes an attendance certificate, which can be used in your applications.

Please register your interest in attending this form by clicking this link.

Deadline for registration is 3/4/23. Places are limited; please do not delay in registering.

Further information can be obtained via email from <u>Sandra.smith@hee.nhs.uk</u>





National Apprenticeship Week Events and Opportunities

We will be broadcasting the Monday London Ask event below to all pupils in Years 10 and 12 (offering to Years 11 and 13), and broadcasting the Thursday event to all Year 12 pupils (offered to Year 13).

A talk is also being organised consisting of employers and providers for these year groups on Friday 10th February.

These events will be supported by in-class and tutor time activities and discussions.

The DfE have now launched their interactive NAW Events Map to help search the variety of events that have been organised across the country to celebrate National Apprenticeship Week. Including both face to face and virtual events. Click <u>here</u> to search.

There is a dedicated website for National Apprenticeship Week, including employer resources and online talk and webinars from employers across a number of industries, including Jaguar Land Rover, BAE Systems and Royal Mail.

https://nationalapprenticeshipweek.co.uk/

London Ask (Apprenticeship Support and Knowledge for School and Colleges Programme), Webinar Series Talks

Monday 6th - <u>Awareness of Technical and Vocational</u> <u>Pathways</u>

Tuesday 7th - How and where to apply

Wednesday 8th - Employer Perspective

Thursday 9th - Higher Education Institutions Perspective

Friday 10th - <u>Apprenticeship Ambassador Panel Discus</u>sion

EVENING SESSION EACH DAY:

5.30pm - 6.20pm, aimed at parents and carers



Explore Degree Apprenticeships featuring Accenture (Technology and Business Degrees) - Parent session

Date: Thursday 9th February Time: 6.30 - 7.30

Online: Microsoft Teams Link to Register:

ASK programme 'How to impress employers' webinar, Wednesday 8th February, 3.30pm

Hear directly from 3 top apprenticeship employers about the best ways to impress them and leave a positive lasting impression at the apprenticeship interview. Please click <u>here</u> to book a place.

Network Rail Open Day

You will have the opportunity to talk to current apprentices and employees about their experiences, find out more information about the schemes and understand how to apply. **TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 09:00** – **17:00** Hyatt Regency London Stratford, 10A Chestnut Plaza, Westfield Stratford, London, E20 1GL <u>https://networkrailapprentices2023Stratford.eventbrite.com</u>



STEM Opportunities

Pharmaceutical Apprenticeships: GSK Webinar

Monday 6th February, 4.30pm-5.15pm - for individual pupils with an interest to attend after school. More info & registration: <u>https://www.eventbrite.</u> <u>co.uk/e/national-apprenticeship-week-2023-stem-ambassadors-from-gsk-tickets-516755919867</u>

Engineering Apprenticeships: BakerHicks Webinar

Thursday 9th February, 4.30pm-5.15pm - for individual pupils with an interest to attend after school. More info & registration: <u>https://www.eventbrite.</u> <u>co.uk/e/national-apprenticeship-week-2023-stem-ambassadors-from-baker-hicks-tickets-504443994567</u>

GES Economist Degree Apprenticeships

The Government Economic Service's Economics Degree Apprenticeship programme is open for applications until 14th February. To apply, please visit their website <u>here</u>. Pupils can also catch up on our webinar with the GES, where they gave hints and tips for applying, by clicking <u>here</u>.

AllAboutSchoolLeavers Webinars

Apprenticeship talks from CMS, Deloitte, Ashurst Solicitors and Standard Charter.Click <u>here</u>.

The STEM Ambassador Hub at Canterbury Christ Church University is also offering some online opportunities for the week, that can be seen here: <u>https://www.</u> <u>eventbrite.co.uk/o/stem-amb-hub-central-south-amp-</u> <u>south-east-england-17420938880</u>



Virgin Media Apprenticeship Newsletter

Find it <u>here</u>.

Audit Apprenticeships with KPMG

As an apprentice in Audit, you'll be an important part of our mission to support the UK in a connected world. Click <u>here</u>.

New year, new you? Get into Transport

The TfL Suppliers Apprenticeship Fair

Open to all ages and abilities, discover your route into an exciting new career.

> To register please go the link https://cvent.me/ZV2Pzn closing date 6 February

> > or use the QR code



Great Hall Kensington Town Hall Horton Street, W8 7NX

Wednesday 8 February 10am to 12.30pm 1pm to 3.30pm

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Employers include: TfL • Siemens • Telent • FM Conway Global • Go-Ahead London • Morgan Sindall • and many more



THE ROWAL BOROUGH OF KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA

TfL Apprenticeships launch event 2023

Friday 17 February 2023 10:00 – 16:00

Transport for London Central London location

Thinking about an Apprenticeship?

- Meet the employers
- Hear from apprentices
- Discover our opportunities
- Get tips on the application process

For more information and to register scan the QR code or email events@tfl.gov.uk to book your slot













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National Apprenticeship Week Resources

BBC Bitesize

BBC Bitesize are releasing a range of resources for NAW 2023, including a livestream on Wednesday 8th from the Science Museum in London, as well as new videos and apprentice stories. You can find them <u>here</u>.

BBB Bitesize



Amazing Apprenticeships have launched an array of resource, including application guides, Access them <u>here</u>.

January Parent's and Carer's pack

This month's edition includes the latest information about apprenticeships, what National Apprenticeship Week 2023 is, information on the top 100 apprenticeship employers, what the post-16 and post-18 education options are and so much more! To download the latest edition, please click <u>here</u>.

Higher and degree apprenticeship listing

The listing features over 300 vacancies from 65 different employers that are open for applications now. Click <u>here</u> to see what apprenticeship vacancies are available.

7 new Career Starter Apprenticeships

7 new Career Starter Apprenticeship resource, looking at apprenticeships such as Catering, Teaching Assistant, Plumbing and Heating, Early Years, Electrician. Click <u>here</u>.

If you have questions related to learning pathways, jobs or careers please contact Mr Langford: <u>d.langford@wansteadhigh.co.uk</u>