

## Sixth Form Bulletin 05/05/17

Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham



### Enrichment

**BOTH YEARS** The **University of York** is holding a **Sixth Form Philosophy Conference** on 7 July 2017. Speakers at the conference include philosophers from the University and a special guest speaker, philosophy author Dr Nigel Warburton. Talks taking place during the event include 'Selfishness and Morality', 'God, Suffering and Horrendous Evil', 'Rumours, Headlines and Believing without Evidence', and 'Free Speech'. After the event there will also be an opportunity for a **tour of the campus**. For more information and to register for a place, see [www.york.ac.uk/tasterdays](http://www.york.ac.uk/tasterdays) (scroll down to the 'Subject conferences 2017' section).

**BOTH YEARS** **Prince Bishop Vets**, based in Consett, has invited any **students interested in a career in veterinary nursing** to visit their practice on Thursday 18 May 2017 (4.30pm – 6pm) as part of Veterinary Nursing Month. During the event students will be able to **talk to the staff** at the practice, **find out more** about what they do and the **training that is involved** to become a veterinary nurse. There is also a possibility of a tour of the practice including the surgical theatres. No booking is required for the event.



**BOTH YEARS** **Reminder:** In July 2017 there will be a **residential medical conference** held at Imperial College London called 'Medicine2017'. The **three-day conference** covers all aspects of the application process to medical school in detail, including personal statements, the UKCAT, the BMAT, interviews, and life at medical school. The conference is delivered by **doctors and medical students** who have either **experienced the application process first hand** or have **been involved in the selection process**. Activities during the three days include keynote presentations, workshops, mock sessions, individual personal statement clinics, mock medical interviews with feedback, and a chance to network with medical students and doctors. For more information and to book a place, see <http://www.medicine2017.com/>

### University/College

**YEAR 12** Universities and colleges are starting their **summer round of open days for 2018 entry**. Open days are **an extremely important opportunity** to visit institutions as every one is different, and usually offer the chance to speak to staff regarding courses and perhaps more importantly current students regarding accommodation, atmosphere, costs and social activities. Some upcoming open days include:

- Newcastle University – Friday 30 June and Saturday 1 July 2017
- Northumbria University – Friday 30 June and Saturday 1 July 2017
- Newcastle College – various subject-specific open events throughout the year, overall open evening on Wednesday 7 June 2017
- Teesside University – Saturday 17 June 2017
- Durham University – Monday 26 June and Saturday 1 July 2017
- University of York – Friday 30 June and Sunday 2 July 2017
- University of Leeds – Saturday 17, Thursday 22 and Friday 23 June 2017
- University of Sheffield – Wednesday 21 June and Saturday 8 July 2017
- Sheffield Hallam University – Friday 9 and Saturday 10 June 2017
- University of Manchester – Friday 23 and Saturday 24 June 2017



- Manchester Metropolitan University – [Wednesday 21 June 2017](#)
- University of Edinburgh – [Friday 9 June 2017](#)
- University of Glasgow – [Thursday 15 June](#) and [Wednesday 30 August 2017](#)
- University of Aberdeen – [Saturday 17 June](#) (medicine only), [Saturday 26 August 2017](#)
- Oxford University – [Wednesday 28](#) and [Thursday 29 June 2017](#)
- University of Cambridge – [Thursday 6](#) and [Friday 7 July 2017](#)

See each institution's website for details or visit [www.opendays.com](http://www.opendays.com) to see all the dates of all UK open days.

**YEAR 12** Sheffield University is hosting a one-day conference for Year 12 students on **university options in Maths, Science and Engineering** on [Wednesday 28 June 2017](#). The event includes hands-on activities, demonstrations and short lectures to give a taster of what studying science and engineering at university involves. There will also be the opportunity to speak to current students, researchers, academic staff, and the admissions teams from each department. For more information and to book a place, see [www.stemexplore.co.uk/events](http://www.stemexplore.co.uk/events)

**YEAR 12** Sheffield University also has a new scheme launching this year called '**Pathway to Engineering**'. The programme is aimed at students who are **studying Maths A Level** but are **not studying Physics A Level**, and are interested in studying Engineering. The scheme allows students to access courses in **Mechanical, Aerospace, Electrical and Interdisciplinary Engineering**. Students would apply through UCAS as normal and would be made an offer based on **attending a preliminary pathway course**. For more information, see <http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/faculty/engineering/study/pathwaytoengineering>



**YEAR 13** Students interested in studying abroad: A Star Future, the company who provide British students with information and guidance about study opportunities abroad and who have been into QEHS previously to give presentations, has highlighted the number of **summer schools offered by European universities**. These programmes, **fully taught in English** and lasting from **two weeks to over a month**, are an ideal **gap year opportunity** to experience a snapshot of university life as an international student. The summer schools include:

- 'Summer's Cool' with Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi. Students live and study for two weeks in Milan in July 2017. There are ten courses available to choose from including Digital Marketing, Game Theory, Luxury and Fashion, and International Politics. See [https://www.unibocconi.eu/wps/wcm/connect/Bocconi/SitoPubblico\\_EN/Navigation+Tree/Home/Programs/Bocconi+Summer+School/For+High+School+Students/](https://www.unibocconi.eu/wps/wcm/connect/Bocconi/SitoPubblico_EN/Navigation+Tree/Home/Programs/Bocconi+Summer+School/For+High+School+Students/)
- Pre-College Programme at Sciences Po. Students spend two weeks in Sciences Po's Reims campus in July 2017, attending social sciences lectures, French classes and university methodology workshops. See <http://www.sciencespo.fr/summer/content/pre-college-programme-overview>
- Summer Programme at the American University of Paris (AUP). AUP's niche summer school allows students to sample the Liberal Arts education at American universities while studying in Paris. The courses can last from 2 weeks to 6 weeks and cover Language and Culture, Creative Arts, and Liberal Arts. See <https://www.aup.edu/academics/summer>
- 'ProjectFUN' at DigiPen. Students live and study in Bilbao, Spain, for a month and learn about video game programming and animation. The summer school also showcases options in high-tech careers. See <https://www.digipen.es/workshops/>

For more information and resources from A Star Future, see <http://www.astarfuture.co.uk/>