

Sixth Form Bulletin 09/12/16

Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham



Sixth Form Notices

BOTH YEARS Ernst & Young (EY) will be coming into school on Monday 12 December 2016 at 12:45pm to speak to Year 13 students about their **advanced and degree level apprenticeships** in areas including data analytics, accountancy and business management. Year 12 students who would like to talk to EY about **work experience placements** are also welcome to attend. Students wishing to attend this talk should contact Emily Webb in the Curriculum Office (pop in or email curriculum@qehs.net).

Careers/Apprenticeships

YEAR 13 The **Civil Service Fast Track Apprenticeship Scheme** will shortly be accepting applications when the programme opens in early 2017. They are also hosting several **events** across the county for interested students to attend and find out more about the scheme, and talk to current apprentices. The nearest of these events will be held in Harrogate on 9–10 March 2017. We will publish more details about the scheme when they are released, however for an example of a current Civil Service apprenticeship see <https://www.civilservicejobs.service.gov.uk/csr/jobs.cgi?jcode=1520342>



Civil Service
Fast Track
Apprenticeship

YEAR 13 Glaxo SmithKline's base in Barnard Castle currently has three **higher level/degree apprenticeship** vacancies:

- **Laboratory Science Apprenticeship** (4 years): apprentices will study for a **Foundation Degree** in Chemical Science, or Applied Chemical or Biological Science Technology. Laboratory apprenticeships are available in either a **manufacturing or a research and development (R&D) setting**. Entry requirements are **96 UCAS points** on the new tariff. The closing date for applications is 15 January 2017 with a projected start date of 1 September 2017. For more information and to apply see <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-42964>
- **Business and Supply Chain Apprenticeship** (3 years): apprentices work towards a **level 5 NVQ qualification**. The Business and Supply Chain area of the business plays a key role in sourcing raw materials, manufacture products and deliver the finished products all over the world. Entry requirements are **two A Levels or equivalent** at Grade E. The closing date is 9 January 2017 with a projected start date of 1 September 2017. For more information and to apply see <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-43716>
- **IT Apprenticeship** (3 years): apprentices work towards a **level 4 higher apprenticeship qualification**. The role involves tasks such as developing new applications, testing new systems, designing new ways to use IT services, and supporting manufacturing processes and technologies. Entry requirements are **80 UCAS points** on the new tariff. The closing date is 15 January 2017 with a projected start date of 1 August 2017. For more information and to apply see <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-42972>

YEAR 13 EGGER's plant in Hexham has **apprenticeship opportunities** available for 2017 intake:

- **Electrical Engineering:** assembling, installing, maintaining and repairing electrical installations, machines and equipment at EGGER. Apprentices undergo training and attend 1 year off-site training. Closing date is 27 January 2017.
- **Business Administration:** apprentices will develop relevant knowledge in company systems, operating practices and processes, gaining a comprehensive understanding of all quality and departmental procedures. Closing date is 24 February 2017.
- **Mechanical Engineering:** producing and assembling machine parts and commissioning, maintaining and installation of machinery. Apprentices will undertake a comprehensive training programme. Closing date is 27 January 2017.



For all vacancies, see http://www.egger.com/shop/en_GB/career for more details and to apply.

YEAR 13 The BBC also has three **higher apprenticeship/sponsored degree** vacancies starting in September 2017:

- **Business Management Higher Apprenticeship.** This two-year programme incorporates a **BA degree in Business Management**, with tuition fees paid by the BBC. Apprentices will complete three work placements at the BBC in London and will be paid a salary of **£17,015**. There are **no fixed entry requirements** but applicants must have a passion to develop a career in business within the creative industry. For more information see <http://www.bbc.co.uk/careers/trainee-schemes-and-apprenticeships/business-support/business-apprenticeship>
- **Broadcast and Communications Operator Apprenticeship.** Places on this apprenticeship scheme are available **UK-wide** (not just London), and the **22-month programme** works towards a Level 3 extended City & Guilds qualification in **Digital Technology**. Areas that are covered by the apprenticeship include TV/radio studio operations, outside broadcast operation, camera and sound control, vision mixing, and editing. For more information see <http://www.bbc.co.uk/careers/trainee-schemes-and-apprenticeships/technology/broadcast-operator>
- **Broadcast and Communications Engineering Higher Apprenticeship – Industry Sponsored Degree.** This **34-month programme** is also available UK-wide and apprentices will earn a **fully-funded BEng (Hons) degree** as well as undertake **work placements** across a wide range of broadcasting areas. Entry requirements are a minimum of **120 UCAS points** (2017 tariff) which must include maths and another science, or equivalent. For more information see <http://www.live.bbc.co.uk/careers/trainee-schemes-and-apprenticeships/technology/techapprenticeship>



BOTH YEARS **GetMyFirstJob** is an online portal which provides a vast amount of resources for students looking for **apprenticeships, traineeships, or careers information**. As well as listing **current vacancies**, the website includes interview and workplace tips, FAQs, resources for parents, and apprentice success stories. Once students have signed up, their profile becomes available to a **range of training providers and employers**. If a suitable role comes up, the student will be contacted to arrange a **telephone interview** and they'll be given all the information needed to prepare for a possible **face to face interview**. For more information, see <https://www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk/>