

Sixth Form Bulletin 14/10/16

Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham



Sixth Form Notices

YEAR 13 **Summer 2017 Exam Resits:** Resit forms are available from **outside of the Exams Office** and can also be downloaded from the **QEHS website**. Completed forms must be returned, with payment, to the exams office no later than lunchtime on **Friday 2 December 2016**. Please note that information on resit exam fees is available from the exams office during **break or lunchtime only**.

Careers/Apprenticeships

BOTH YEARS **Reminder:** The **Newcastle Hospitals NHS Trust** are hosting a **careers event** at the New Education Centre in the RVI on **Saturday 15 October 2016**, 10.00am – 1.00pm. There will be **over 40 different NHS careers** covered by the event, including medicine, nursing, physiotherapy, midwifery, HR, army recruitment, radiography, library services, finance, and many more. During the day there will be a schedule of interactive sessions and tours of departments. Newcastle Hospitals will also provide information regarding their **apprenticeship programme** available to 16-19 year olds which **guarantees a job** at the end of the first year. For more information, contact Deborah.Harris@nuth.nhs.uk



BOTH YEARS Additionally, The Northern Centre for Cancer Care at the Freeman Hospital in Newcastle is holding a **Radiotherapy Open Day** on **Saturday 5 November 2016** (1.00 – 3.30pm). The Centre is a large regional department and has a wide range of staff working together, including oncologists, radiographers, clinical scientists, mould room technologists, electronic and mechanical engineers, treatment planning dosimetrists, nurses and consultants. For more information and to book a place at the open day, contact Joanne Small on Joanne.Small@nuth.nhs.uk

YEAR 12 The Social Mobility Foundation runs a scheme called the **'Aspiring Professionals Programme'** to help Year 12 students to access top professions. Their support is free of charge and is tailored to one of **11 career sectors**: Accountancy, Architecture, Banking & Finance, Biology & Chemistry, Business, Engineering & Physics, Law, Media & Communications, Medicine, Politics, and Technology. Students can also pick a **'no preference' option** if they are unsure about which career to enter. Students on the Social Mobility Foundation Programme receive mentoring, work placements, skills sessions, university application support, and support into employment. It is worth noting that the Social Mobility Foundation has **strict eligibility criteria** which focus on financial circumstances and academic ability – see their website for more information: <http://www.socialmobility.org.uk/programmes/aspiring-professionals-programme/>

Enrichment

BOTH YEARS The **School of Earth and Environment at Leeds University** is hosting an **'Environmental Studies Academy'** on **Thursday 12 January 2017**. The session is designed for students interested in studying **Environmental Science** and who are currently studying related subjects such as **Geography**

and Biology. Participants will get the opportunity to experience the environmental expertise and hi-tech facilities at the University, and learn about the natural environment with hands-on laboratory tasks. The day will also include lectures from environmental scientists covering their research, and the chance to talk to current students and lecturers during lunch. For more information and to apply for a place, see <http://www.see.leeds.ac.uk/admissions-and-study/environmental-studies-academy/>

YEAR 13 The **Year in Industry (YINI)** is a gap year option for students interested in **STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) subjects, ICT, and Business.** The scheme offers the opportunity to gain **paid work experience** and skills that will benefit students during their further studies and into employment. YINI students are typically paid **£10,000 – £15,000** by their placement company and 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.** Vacancies on the YINI scheme (available to view on the website) will increase in number as employers start to advertise their new 2016-17 placements. For more information go to www.yini.org.uk

YEAR 12 The organisation behind Year in Industry also runs another scheme called **Headstart**, which provides hands-on **STEM activities and engineering taster courses** for Year 12 students who are interested in related courses but would like an opportunity to explore the subject areas further. Headstart courses take place at universities across the UK, giving further information on not just the degree courses available but also the varied career opportunities they'll lead to. As the courses cover a lot of **niche areas** across the STEM fields, Headstart offers a chance to **sample a specialism that might not be available in Taster Sessions anywhere else**, for example Marine Engineering, Nuclear Physics, Material Science, Robotics, and Aerospace Engineering. For more information see www.headstartcourses.org.uk

YEAR 13 The **Deloitte Scholars Scheme** provides a unique gap year opportunity to **combine travelling with valuable work experience.** Participants in the scheme gain:

- A 30-week paid placement in one of ten Deloitte offices across the UK.
- A £1500 bursary to go travelling after the placement and before university.
- A minimum of four weeks of additional paid placements each academic year.
- A £500 bursary each academic year.
- Exemption from the first interview stage if applying to Deloitte as a graduate.
- Technical experience that may count towards the Chartered Accountancy qualification.

The Scholar Scheme offers places in Audit & Finance, Tax Consulting, and Strategy & Operations. For more information and to apply, <http://www2.deloitte.com/uk/en/pages/careers/articles/scholar-scheme.html>

