

## Sixth Form Bulletin 28/04/17

Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham



### Sixth Form Notices

**YEAR 12** The **Higher Education Advice Evening** for **parents/carers of Year 12 students** is being held on **Thursday 4 May 2017**, 6pm - 7.40pm. A programme for the evening is listed below. Please note that this evening is for **parents/carers only**, as students will be given all this information as part of the Next Step Conference on **Thursday 8 June 2017** and during "Progression Days", days set aside to focus on progression between June and the end of term.

#### Programme

6pm start: Introductory Talk, Lower School Hall

- Progression from Year 12 onwards
- How we support and advise students
- New UCAS Tariff

6.25pm – 6.40pm: Coffee

6.45pm – 7.40pm: Parents/Carers will be able to attend two from four talks as summarised below:

Talk	Presenter	Place	Time
The UCAS process and how to choose a university and course	Flo Stockley Durham University	Hall	6.45 – 7.10 and 7.15 – 7.40
Student Finance	Nathan Craggs Durham University	Business Studies (A16)	6.45 – 7.10 and 7.15 – 7.40
Personal statement – how to make it stand out	Rebecca Ruddick and Michelle van den Berg	Theatre	6.45 – 7.10 and 7.15 – 7.40
Alternatives to university	Elaine McStravick	LRC	6.45 – 7.10 and 7.15 – 7.40

**BOTH YEARS** **Northumbria University** are coming into school on **Thursday 4 May 2017** to deliver a presentation on **how to choose a university and course**. It is open to **all students** (both Year 12 and Year 13), but **any student who has applied for Northumbria University's supported entry scheme 'NU Entry' must attend**. The talk will be held in the Theatre during Period 4 (1.20pm onwards).

### Careers/Apprenticeships

**YEAR 13** Robson Laidler, an **accountancy firm based in Newcastle**, has vacancies for **Accountancy Apprentices**. Their training programme is designed to suit **school leavers** and offers an opportunity to **earn while you learn**. Apprentices will combine study with full time employment, working towards the **Association of Accounting Technicians Qualification (AAT)**. Applicants must have good English and Maths GCSE grades. To apply, send a CV and covering letter to [rashby@robson-laidler.co.uk](mailto:rashby@robson-laidler.co.uk) by **Friday 19 May 2017**.

**BOTH YEARS** GoThinkBig, the careers and advice service from O2, is advertising two niche work experience placements:

- The **Legal Team** at O2 has a **three-day** work experience placement available in July 2017, designed for students to learn about **different routes into the legal profession** and the **day-to-day work of a lawyer**. The event also includes a mooted challenge and **CV and interview advice** from lawyers from a variety of backgrounds and practice areas. For more information and to apply, see <https://gothinkbig.co.uk/opportunities/legal-team-general-counsels-office-o2>
- **Penguin Random House Publishers** have **1-2 week work experience placements available** between June and July. Placements are available in the Editorial, Marketing, Publicity, Sales, Rights, and Production departments, and participants will be paid **£262.50 per week**. Penguin Random House will also help applicants who would need assistance finding **accommodation near London** for the duration of the placement. The deadline for this opportunity is Tuesday 2 May 2017 so students will need to apply ASAP! For more information and to apply see <https://www.gothinkbig.co.uk/opportunities/penguin-random-house-work-experience>

**YEAR 13** McDonalds are now offering a new school leaver programme: the **Management Degree**

**Apprenticeship**. The **five-year scheme** leads to the opportunity to gain a **BA Business Management and Retail degree** from **Manchester Metropolitan University** and **chartered management status** with the Chartered Management Institute. There are placements available **across the UK**, and the programme covers all aspects of business from working in the restaurant and kitchen to making management, recruitment and budgetary decisions. Entry requirements for the Degree Apprenticeship are A Level grades **BCC – BBC**, or equivalent qualifications. For more information and to apply, see

[https://careers.peopleclick.com/careerscp/client\\_mcdonalds/external/jobDetails.do?functionName=getJobDetail&jobPostId=180159&localeCode=en-us](https://careers.peopleclick.com/careerscp/client_mcdonalds/external/jobDetails.do?functionName=getJobDetail&jobPostId=180159&localeCode=en-us)



## University/College

**BOTH YEARS** The **University of Cumbria** is holding an event at their Carlisle campus to launch their **new BSc Psychology degree programme** on Wednesday 3 May 2017 (6 – 8pm). The event offers students the chance to find out more about the new degree course, hear about studying Psychology from a student's perspective, and talk to the university staff about the course, their research, and future career opportunities. It is worth noting that the entry requirements for the Psychology degree are 104-120 UCAS points (**BCC-BBB**) or less if the student has an enhancement which carries UCAS points. For more information about the course and university in general, see

<http://www.cumbria.ac.uk/study/courses/undergraduate/psychology/>

**YEAR 13** Year 13 students should note that the **deadline for applying for student finance** is 26 May 2017. Students who do not apply before this date **might not get their money in time** for the start of their course. To apply students **do not need a confirmed place** at university; it is possible to use a preferred course and change it later. For more information and to apply, see

[www.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.gov.uk/studentfinance)



## Enhancement

**YEAR 12** Year 12 students interested in a career in **fashion or fashion marketing**: there are ten tickets up for grabs for the **Northumbria University's Fashion Show** at BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art on Tuesday 16 May 2017. Northumbria University's BA Fashion programme is renowned for the calibre of its business-ready graduates, with students going on to take up roles with fashion houses such as **Ralph Lauren, Tommy Hilfiger, Abercrombie & Fitch, Joseph and Givenchy**. The exhibition will provide an opportunity to **preview students' final collections** and to see the breadth of creative talent, which has contributed to the University's reputation as one of the best in the country for fashion design courses. The exhibition will begin at 1pm. For more information please see **Miss George in the Art Department**.

