

Sixth Form Bulletin 29/03/18

Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham



Sixth Form Notices

YEAR 13 If you have university offers and feel that **certificating General studies** (particularly for a points based offer) would be useful, please check your exam entries to make sure you have requested that we certificate the two papers you sat last summer (H079). If you didn't request to certificate the AS General Studies qualification and would now like to please go to the **Exams Office** at break or lunch time and request to be certificated. If you are uncertain about what to do please come to the **Curriculum Office for advice**.

University/College

YEAR 12 The **University of Glasgow**, in conjunction with the **University of Sheffield**, **Buckinghamshire New University**, and the **University of Leicester**, are running two interactive **webinars** for Year 12 students interested in studying **Nursing** or **Bio/Life/Natural Sciences** at university. The webinars will allow students to **hear from a variety of universities** about their courses and will show **how the same course can be very different between universities**, allowing students to start thinking about what they need to know or prioritise when making a decision about courses and locations. The Nursing Webinar is on Friday 20 April 2018, 12.45–1.45pm (this is the last day of Year 12 exam week so students should check that this does not clash with exams), and the Bio/Life/Natural Sciences Webinar is on Thursday 26 April 2018, 3.30–4.30pm. We will arrange a session in school for students to watch the webinar, so **interested students should email their name and which webinar they are interested in** to curriculum@gehs.net or call into the Curriculum Office after the Easter holidays.

YEAR 12 **St Anne's College, Oxford University**, is accepting applications for their **Oxford University Open Day residential trip**, specifically for Year 12 students from the North East. Up to 40 participants will be provided with **free return coach travel** from Newcastle to Oxford (departing 26 June 2018 and returning 28 June 2018), **two nights' accommodation** at St Anne's College, and dinner provided on both nights. Students will attend the Oxford University **Open Day** on 27 June 2018 and will also participate in an **information and guidance session** on Oxford applications and **evening social activities** led by current undergraduates. The deadline for applications is Friday 20 April 2018. To apply, complete the application form at <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/direct/eval-evaluation/18417>

Enrichment

BOTH YEARS Children North East have **volunteer opportunities** available for **students aged 17 and over** who are interested in **supporting young people** through their 'Youth Link' scheme. Children North East **train peer mentors** to provide **one to one support** to young people aged 11 to 18 within their local community. Mentoring will involve meeting with young people **once a week for 1 to 3 hours** and helping them work towards achievable goals, for example taking part in activities to meet new friends and build confidence or accessing education opportunities. Peer mentors will earn a

Level 2 accredited qualification and will have access to **internal job vacancies** within Children North East. For more information and to apply, see <https://data.children-ne.org.uk/application>

YEAR 12 **Lancaster University** is now accepting applications for their **three-day residential research workshop**, 'New Political Minds', held on 29–31 August 2018. During the workshop, students will work with **staff from Lancaster's Politics and International Relations departments**, as well as the **Richardson Institute**, the UK's oldest Peace and Conflict Research Centre. Students will help to produce a series of reports on the future of Britain as seen through the eyes of young people entering the world of politics. During the three days students will stay **on campus at Lancaster University** and will experience a range of evening activities run by **Lancaster University's Student Ambassadors**. All accommodation and meals are **free**; students are expected to cover travel costs but there are **bursaries available**. The deadline for applications is 20 July 2018 but early applications are **strongly encouraged**. For more information and to apply for a place, see <https://openlearning.lancs.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=160>. If students have any questions they can also see **Mrs Hodgson** in the History department.

YEAR 12 **Leeds University** have upcoming events for **students interested in Medicine**:

- **Ethics Workshop** (Thursday 19 April 2018). Students will have the opportunity to look at clinical, ethical questions (which form a big part of the interview process) with guidance from medical students. The deadline for applications is 9 April 2018.
- **Situational Judgement Workshop** (Thursday 17 May 2018). Students will have an introduction to situational judgement and why it is important in medicine, including its use in aptitude tests, interviews, medical school, and exams, and why it is important when making decisions as a doctor. The deadline for applications is 7 May 2018.
- **Communications Workshop** (Thursday 7 June 2018). Students will learn how they can communicate more effectively and professionally within a healthcare sector. The deadline for applications is 28 May 2018.

For further information and to apply for the workshops, see

<http://www.wanttobeadoctor.co.uk/events-sign-up> (currently only the Ethics Workshop is visible)

BOTH YEARS **Newcastle University** is celebrating 60 years of computing at the University with a **public open day** at their **School of Computing** on Friday 13 April 2018 (10.30am–3pm). The day will feature hands-on activities and engaging talks, covering topics such as Alan Turing, robotics programming, sending secret messages, working with Raspberry Pis and Crumbles, what Big Data means, how games are engineered and the magic of computer science. For more information and to register for a place, see <http://www.ncl.ac.uk/computing/events/item/computingat60celebration-familyopenday.html>