

## Sixth Form Bulletin 22/11/19

Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham



### Sixth Form Notices

**YEAR 13** Sixth Form students should note that the deadline to **register to vote** in next month's general election is fast approaching. If students will be **18 years old on polling day (Thursday 12 December 2019)**, they can register to vote. The deadline for voter registration is 11.59pm on **Tuesday 26 November 2019**. For more information, see <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>

**YEAR 13** On **Tuesday 3 December 2019**, **Northumbria University** are coming into QEHS to run a **Finance and Budgeting session** for Year 13 only. It will take place at 9.00am when lessons are suspended for a lower school collapsed tutor period. The session will last an hour and includes a presentation on **student finance** followed by an interactive game around **budgeting**. All Year 13 students will receive a **text on Monday** asking if they wish to attend – **reply 'YES' if you do** – space is limited.

**BOTH YEARS** The group of QEHS students going on the India trip have organised a fundraiser with **Saathi Indian restaurant** in Hexham on **Wednesday 27 November 2019** (5.30 – 11.00pm). Saathi's owners have very kindly offered to donate **15%** of all takings that night, both takeaway and eat-in, to go towards the cost of the trip. Your support would be greatly appreciated!

### Careers/Apprenticeships

**BOTH YEARS** The **Royal Navy** are holding a **live-streamed careers event** on **Tuesday 3 December 2019** (9.10–9.50am). During the event, a panel of **Submariners** at various stages in their career will answer questions about the Royal Navy and Royal Navy Submarine service. There will be an opportunity to submit questions to the panel in live chat and on Twitter. For more information and to register for the event, see <https://www.sparkcareers.org/events-1/royal-navy-stem-submariner-careers>

**BOTH YEARS** 2019's **Tomorrow's Engineers Week** took place 4-8 November 2019, highlighting how engineering can be the career to fulfil young people's dreams of rewarding careers tackling important issues facing society. The main event of the week was the Tomorrow's Engineers Week Big Assembly, where a panel of **civil engineers, STEM education specialists, university research fellows, and clinical engineers** came together to discuss their parts in a mission to improve people's health and the nation's wellbeing. The Assembly is now available to watch on demand; for more information see <https://www.tomorrowsengineers.org.uk/tomorrows-engineers-week-2019/the-big-assembly/>

### University/College

**YEAR 12** The **Sutton Trust US Programme** is now open for applications. The programme is specially designed to give UK **Year 12 students a taste of life at an American university**, with Harvard, Yale and MIT examples of previous host campuses. It is **free** to take part in as all costs are covered by the

Sutton Trust. The programme includes a **week-long visit** to the US, two **UK-based residentials**, **support** from the Sutton Trust advisers on applications and financial aid, in-depth **admissions test preparation** and guidance for parents. The Sutton Trust does have quite strict **eligibility criteria** looking at academic achievement, household income and similar conditions, so it is worth thoroughly researching the programme to be aware of these entry requirements. The deadline for applications is 19 January 2020. For more information and to apply go to <http://us.suttontrust.com/>

**YEAR 13** Reminder: **Northumbria University** is hosting a **Parents' and Guardians' Information Evening** on Tuesday 26 November 2019 (5 – 7.30pm). The evening is designed to provide information on key aspects of student life, and answer any questions parents may have. There will be sessions on **student finance**, **student life** at Northumbria, and a **Q&A panel** featuring representatives from the Security team, the Accommodation team, the International team, and a parent of a Northumbria University graduate. For more information, see <https://www.northumbria.ac.uk/study-at-northumbria/information-for-schools-and-colleges/teachers-and-advisors/parent-and-guardian-evening-2019/>

**BOTH YEARS** Unistats has recently changed to 'Discover Uni'. Discover Uni is a website that lets students **search, review and compare official information about universities and colleges in the UK**, and the subjects they offer. It includes results from the National Student Survey – where more than 330,000 students give their views about the quality of their higher education experience. Students can compare universities and colleges by student satisfaction, job prospects, entry requirements, and lots more. For more information, see <https://discoveruni.gov.uk/>

**BOTH YEARS** Four colleges from **Oxford University** – Christ Church, St Anne's, Trinity, and Lincoln College – have joined together to launch 'Oxford for North East', an outreach programme offering **support to students, parents/carers, and schools in the North East**. Their website contains a number of **online support resources** and information on any upcoming **North East-specific residential trips** to Oxford. For more information, see <http://www.ox.ac.uk/oxfordforNE>

**BOTH YEARS** The **University of Sunderland's** next **Open Day Drop-In event** will be on Wednesday 11 December 2019 (3.00 – 6.30pm). The drop-in event is designed to be a more **informal** opportunity to visit the university, with the chance to have **tours** led by Student Ambassadors, meet and talk to **lecturers and departments**, and enjoy some mince pies! For more information, see <https://www.sunderland.ac.uk/open-days/ug-december-2019/>

## Enrichment

**BOTH YEARS** We are very hopeful that **Hugh Pym, Health Editor for BBC News**, will be in school during the afternoon of Wednesday 18 December 2019. If students would like the opportunity to meet/listen/ask Hugh Pym a question, please **register your interest** with Joanne in the Curriculum Office, either by popping into the office or emailing [curriculum@qehs.net](mailto:curriculum@qehs.net) by 27 November 2019. Depending on Hugh's availability and the level of interest, we will determine the best format for this exciting opportunity.

**BOTH YEARS** Teesside University has two upcoming events in their 'Discover Health' series:

- **Discover Health – Emergency & Diagnostic Care:** 11 December 2019. Students will be able to attend sessions covering Diagnostic Radiography, Operating Department Practice, and Paramedic Practice. For more information and to book a place, see [https://www.tees.ac.uk/sections/whats\\_on/events\\_details.cfm?event\\_id=11240](https://www.tees.ac.uk/sections/whats_on/events_details.cfm?event_id=11240)
- **Discover Health – Nursing & Midwifery:** 18 December 2019. Students will be able to attend sessions covering Adult Nursing, Child Nursing, Mental Health Nursing, Learning Disabilities Nursing, and Midwifery. For more information and to book a place, see [https://www.tees.ac.uk/sections/whats\\_on/events\\_details.cfm?event\\_id=11241](https://www.tees.ac.uk/sections/whats_on/events_details.cfm?event_id=11241)

**YEAR 12** The **University of Leeds Medical School** is hosting a **Medicine Taster Day** on Saturday 7 December 2019 (9.30am – 3.15pm). The day will feature workshops and talks from doctors, current students and the Leeds admissions team. There will also be the opportunity to find out more about entry routes and alternatives to medicine. Applications are now open and close on Tuesday 3 December 2019 at 9.00am.

**BOTH YEARS** The Wednesday night Rainbows (age 5-7) and **Brownies** (age 7-10) in Hexham are looking for more **volunteers** to join them at their meetings. Volunteers can gain experience **working with children**, develop **communication and leadership skills**, and have fun. Although this is a girl-led organization, male helpers are welcome; **no prior experience** of Girl Guiding is needed. CRB checks are needed for over 18s who help regularly but this is arranged and paid for by the organisation. For more information, contact [secondhexhamrainbows@hotmail.com](mailto:secondhexhamrainbows@hotmail.com)