

Sixth Form Bulletin 28/02/20

Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham



Enrichment

BOTH YEARS **Reminder: Oyster Worldwide** is a **gap year organisation** that specialises in gap years, summer travel, paid work and volunteering overseas. A representative from Oyster will be **coming into QEHS** on Thursday 12 March 2020 at lunchtime (room TBC) to discuss all the programmes that Oyster offers, which range from paid work in New Zealand, to volunteering with animals in Barcelona, to volunteer sports coaching in South Africa, to teaching English in Thailand, and many more! They are also keen to talk to students who aren't interested in a whole gap year, as their programmes have varying durations. Students interested in attending the talk should **give their name to the Curriculum Office**, either by popping in to the office or emailing curriculum@qehs.net. For more information on Oyster, see <https://www.oysterworldwide.com/>

YEAR 12 The School of Medicine at **Leeds University** has a number of upcoming events:

- **Situational Judgement Workshop** (Wednesday 25 March 2020). 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. Applications close on 18 March 2020.
- **Communications Workshop** (Wednesday 29 April 2020). Students will learn about how they can communicate more effectively and professionally within the healthcare sector. Applications open on 1 April 2020 and close on 22 April 2020.

For further information and to apply for the workshops, see

<https://www.wanttobeadoctor.co.uk/copy-of-contact-us>

BOTH YEARS **Reminder:** To coincide with Healthcare Science Week, the **University of Sunderland** is running a **Discover Healthcare Science** event on Wednesday 11 March 2020. The University is the only HE institution in the North East with programmes in these areas, including **Audiology, Cardiology, and Life Science**. The event is designed to provide Sixth Form students who are studying **A Level Biology or Applied Science** with more information about Healthcare Science from those who teach it, study it, work in it, and benefit from it, with a range of interactive activities throughout the day. To book a place, see <https://form.jotformeu.com/93152271116348>

BOTH YEARS Tom Crawford, College Lecturer at St Edmund Hall at the University of Oxford, is running the first **'Teddy Rocks Maths' Essay Competition**. Students are invited to write a short article about their favourite **mathematical topic**, which could win a prize of up to **£100**. All entries will be showcased at www.tomrocksmaths.com, with the winners published on the St Edmund Hall website. Entries should be between **1000-2000 words** and must be submitted as Microsoft Word documents or PDF files. The closing date is 12 March 2020; for more information see <https://www.seh.ox.ac.uk/study/visit/schools/teddy-rocks-maths-essay-competition>.

BOTH YEARS University College London (UCL) and King's College London are now accepting applications for their **London Summer School in Classics**, taking place on 21 – 30 July 2020. The

Summer School offers eight days of **intensive teaching in Greek or Latin**, with beginners' classes in Coptic and Biblical Hebrew also available. Please note the Summer School is **not residential**, but students can arrange accommodation in a University of London Hall of Residence (subject to availability). The cost of the programme is **£150** (not including accommodation). For more information, see <https://www.ucl.ac.uk/classics/outreach/summer-schools/london-summer-school-classics-2020>

BOTH YEARS Northumbria University run **Public Lectures** that are free and open to all, and aim to celebrate the achievements of leaders in their fields at Northumbria as well as high profile external speakers. The lectures usually focus on specialist subjects or areas, which provides the chance to experience a **more in-depth exploration** of topics beyond the A Level curriculum. Upcoming lectures include:

- 'Grease to the wheel or a spanner in the works? A reflection on 40 years of regeneration in the North East' by Professor Paul Greenhalgh, Professor of **Real Estate and Regeneration** at Northumbria (3 March 2020).
- 'Understanding the Northumbrians: Cultural Archaeology and the Pursuit of the Longue Durée in the History of North East England' by Dr Dan Jackson, **author and historian** (4 March 2020).
- 'Russian Activists in Exile 1890-1990: Representing Russia across generations and borders' by Professor Charlotte Alston, Professor of **History** at Northumbria (17 March 2020).
- 'Dance, Indigeneity, Opportunity, and The Other Side of Me', by Gary Lang, Artistic Director of the **Northern Territory Dance Company** in Australia (24 March 2020).
- 'The Forensic Science Paradox', by Professor Carole McCartney, Professor of **Law and Criminal Justice** from the Northumbria School of Law (25 March 2020).
- 'My life of inducing, measuring (and sometimes trying to reduce) stress, by a stressed Psychologist' by Professor Mark Wetherell, Professor of **Psychobiology** at Northumbria (22 April 2020).

For more information and to book a place at any of the lectures, see <https://www.northumbria.ac.uk/about-us/news-events/public-lecture/>

BOTH YEARS The **Tyne Valley Film Festival** is being held on 19 – 29 March 2020, led by the Forum Cinema Hexham and featuring 30 screenings across 14 unique venues. The Festival is a celebration of the history of cinema, from pre-sound classics to contemporary foreign language releases and everything in between. As part of the Festival, our **Sixth Form Creative Media students** are showcasing their **short films on the big screen** on Saturday 21 March 2020, which would be an excellent opportunity for any **younger students interested in studying Creative Media** to see the work that students produce. For more information and to book tickets to any of the screenings during the Festival, see <https://forumhexham.com/ForumHexham.dll/Page?PageID=0&SubListID=0&SubPageID=2>

University/College

YEAR 12 Oxford University is accepting applications for their **North East Open Day Residential**, designed to enable Year 12 students from the North East to attend the Oxford University open days in June and July 2020. Students will be provided with **free return coach travel** from Newcastle to

Oxford, **two nights' accommodation** in a college, and all meals catered for in the college dining halls. Students will attend the Oxford University **open day** and will also participate in sessions on Oxford applications and how to make the most out of the open day, alongside Q&A and discussion sessions with current undergraduates. There will also be **evening social activities** led by current undergraduates. To apply for a place, complete the application form at <https://www.trinity.ox.ac.uk/north-east-open-day-residential-2019/>

Careers/Apprenticeships

BOTH YEARS Eversheds are now accepting applications for their 'Life as a Lawyer' event which will be held on Wednesday 18 March 2020 at their Newcastle office. The day features a number of workshops and exercises to give Sixth Form students an insight into the role of a lawyer, the work they may be involved in, and what it is like to work at Eversheds. There will also be an opportunity to meet and talk to a number of current Eversheds lawyers, including a barrister from local chambers. There are **only 2 places available** for this event, so anyone interested should **give their names to the Curriculum Office** by the end of Monday 2 March 2020.

BOTH YEARS Ernst & Young (EY) are holding an **International Women's Day celebration** at their Newcastle office on 5 March 2020. At the event, students will be able to learn more about gender equality at EY, why it's important to the organisation and what they are doing to encourage it. Students will also hear about the **opportunities available at EY from EY apprentices**, and take part in workshops around **personal brand and resilience**. To register for a place, see <https://forms.integrate-events.com/#/events/ey/307511?type=preregister&background=ffffff&font=808080&page=ffe600>

YEAR 13 There will be **apprenticeship vacancies for Activity Leaders** in Summer 2020 with Kingswood, who own the outdoor centre in Hexham (**Dukehouse Wood**). The role includes delivering a range of outdoor activities to support and inspire young people, gaining qualifications in outdoor leadership, first aid and many more. Applicants must be **18+** to apply, be available for the whole season, and be willing to work at any of Kingswood's centres across the UK. The next intake for the apprenticeship scheme will be in August 2020. For more information and to register your interest, see <https://www.kingswood.co.uk/why-kingswood/job-vacancies/>