

## Sixth Form Bulletin 18/09/20

Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham



### Sixth Form Notices

**BOTH YEARS** **Reminder:** QEHS Sixth Form Students - follow our **Instagram page!** We are @qehs\_sixth\_form ([https://www.instagram.com/qehs\\_sixth\\_form/](https://www.instagram.com/qehs_sixth_form/))

The Curriculum Team launched this Instagram page during lockdown to pass on **relevant information, notices, and resources for progression**. We will also regularly **highlight opportunities that have been advertised in the Sixth Form Bulletin**.

### Enrichment

**BOTH YEARS** Gresham College has released the schedule for their 2020-21 **free public lectures**. The lectures are currently held **online**, and the College has a searchable back catalogue of **2,500** free digital lectures. Enhancement activities such as these are a **good example** for UCAS statements or CVs **of independent learning** and using resources to explore **topics in further depth and at a higher level** outside of lessons. The 2020-21 lecture series includes:

- **Astronomy:** *Cosmic Vision* series by Astronomy Professor Katherine Blundell
- **English:** *The Powers of the Novel*, a one-off lecture on *Offensive Shakespeare*, and a series on classic film
- **History:** *Evil Women* by Professor Joanna Bourke, *England's Reformations*, and a Black History Month series.
- **Law/Politics:** Professor Leslie Thomas QC discusses police restraint and inquests into deaths in custody in *Death, the State and Human Rights*
- **Maths:** *Mathematics in Music and Writing*, *Will Computers Outsmart Mathematicians?*, and *The Maths of Life and Death*

There are also lectures in **Business/Economics, Classics, Geography, IT, Medicine, and Music**. For more information, see <https://www.gresham.ac.uk/schools>

### University/College

**YEAR 13** **Reminder:** UK University and Apprenticeship Search are also running a new virtual event on Wednesday 7 October 2020 for **students looking to attend a Russell Group university**. The event will feature all 24 Russell Group universities, and students will be able to **chat directly** to university representatives, download documents and take part in **12 live webinars**. To register for a place, see <https://russellgroup.vfairs.com/>

There will also be two **pre-event webinars** to help students prepare for the event, and to support students working towards the **October UCAS deadline**:

- Wednesday 23 September 2020 (12 noon): [Applying to Oxford and Cambridge](#)
- Wednesday 30 September 2020 (12 noon): [Applying to Russell Group universities](#)

Students who register for the above webinars will be sent a link to the **recorded version** after the live session.

**YEAR 13** Cambridge University is holding more **online open days** on 17 and 18 September 2020 (see <https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/events/cambridge-open-days/virtual-open-days-programme> for more details). In addition, **King's College** at Cambridge are holding sessions run over three days (17, 18 and 19 September) that will include **Q&As** with their admissions tutors and students, and **virtual tours** of the college where students can find out more about the College's facilities. To book a session, see <https://www.kings.cam.ac.uk/study/september-virtual-open-days-17-18-19-september-2020>

King's College are also running two **Application Support Q&A sessions** on Zoom ahead of the 15 October deadline for **students who are planning to make an application to Cambridge**. The sessions are designed to be very general so are suitable for **any applicant to Cambridge** regardless of the college they wish to apply to. For more information, see the links below.

- [Application Support Q&A: Thursday 1 October \(4pm – 5pm\)](#)
- [Application Support Q&A: Thursday 8 October \(4pm – 5pm\)](#)

**YEAR 12** Sutton Trust are accepting applications to their **Pathways to Medicine** programme. The programme was designed to widen access to the medical profession and enables students to decide **whether medicine is the right path for them**, while building **knowledge and skills** relevant for higher education and the world of work. The 2020-2022 Pathway will initially take place **virtually** until face-to-face sessions can be delivered safely; **Newcastle University** are one of the four institutions delivering the programme. Please note that there are **eligibility criteria** including academic achievement, first generation to go to university, and eligibility for free school meals. The deadline for applications (for Newcastle) is 20 November 2020. For more information, see <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-medicine/>