

Sixth Form Bulletin 16/10/20

Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham



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University/College

BOTH YEARS In lieu of a normal open day, **Northumbria University** are running a series of **virtual 'bitesize' events** that cover all aspects of studying and living at Northumbria. Topics include a personal statement clinic; fees, finance, scholarships and discounts for UK students; university jargon buster; and subject-specific 'learning experience' events. There is also a **guidance session for parents and carers** on Thursday 22 October 2020. For more information and to book on the events, see <https://www.northumbria.ac.uk/study-at-northumbria/coming-to-northumbria/northumbria-undergraduate-open-days/>

Careers

BOTH YEARS **Leeds Beckett University** are holding two **hospitality and travel and tourism webinars** in November 2020:

- **Hospitality Horizons Virtual Conference:** Wednesday 11 November 2020 (10am – 1pm). The event will allow students to hear from the 'Institute of Hospitality', hospitality industry experts and alumni about careers, employability skills, and the hospitality industry right now. Also discussed will be the types of degrees that can help students advance into these careers, with a Q&A to finish. For more information and to book, see <https://gck.fm/jzbve>
- **Institute of Travel and Tourism Virtual Future You Conference:** Wednesday 18 November 2020 (10am – 1pm). Students will hear from the 'Institute of Travel and Tourism' and travel and tourism industry experts about rebuilding a better future for the industry and their careers, experiences and opportunities in the industry. Also discussed will be the types of degrees that can help students advance into these careers, with a Q&A to finish. For more information, see <https://gck.fm/xaxpt>

BOTH YEARS Amazing Apprenticeships, the communications channel commissioned by the **National Apprenticeships Service**, has published their **October Parents' and Carers' Pack**. The pack features the latest **apprenticeship information and advice**, with features this month on dyslexia support, apprenticeships in engineering, the top 100 employers, traineeships, and many more. To download a copy, see <https://amazingapprenticeships.com/resource/parents-pack-october/>

Enrichment

BOTH YEARS Aberystwyth University are running a **theatre and performance webinar** called 'Theatre and Performance: The Show Must Go On' on Monday 19 October 2020 (noon – 12.45pm). The session will discuss the impact of the current COVID-19 circumstances, raising questions of **who is theatre for, and how will it reach audiences?** The session will look at **the future of theatre**, focusing on theatre and performance makers who work outside of traditional theatre venues and the ways in

which they are connecting with audiences in a new and interesting way. Please note that students can only attend live events if they do not have a lesson at the time. For more information, see <https://www.channeltalent.co.uk/event/the-challenges-of-2030-theatre-performance-the-show-must-go-on-with-dr-louise-ritchie-from-aberystwyth-university/>

YEAR 12 (or Year 13 students applying for a 2022 university place) The **University of Leeds** is running a programme of activity as part of the Economic and Social Research Council Festival of Social Science 2020. As part of the Festival, the Leeds Q Step Centre is delivering a **free online data skills workshop** for Year 12 students on Thursday 12 November 2020: 'What makes people happy at work? Insights from quantitative data'. The interactive session will draw upon **sociological, management and human resource theories** to help students understand job satisfaction and will be of particular interest to those studying **Sociology and Business**, as it connects to specific teaching units in these subjects. It will also appeal to students from **Economics, Politics and Geography**. The workshop will also introduce students to **quantitative data analysis** and how quantitative data sets can be analysed to provide insights into job satisfaction. Students will have access to **additional resources and online support** after the workshop, if they wish to develop their practical data analysis skills using the Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS) software. Interested students should give their names to the Curriculum Office by emailing curriculum@gehs.net by Wednesday 21 October 2020.

BOTH YEARS The **Department of Mathematics at Royal Holloway University of London** is holding an **online lecture** on Wednesday 11 November 2020 (7pm): 'Why pedestrian bridges wobble – synchronisation and the wisdom of the crowd'. Professor Alan Champneys, from the Department of Engineering Mathematics at the University of Bristol, will discuss the nature of **mathematical modelling** and the interplay between **maths, engineering and the real world**, using the example of the instability of the London Millennium Bridge on the day it opened. For more information, see <https://www.royalholloway.ac.uk/research-and-teaching/departments-and-schools/mathematics/events/2020-10-08/>

BOTH YEARS The University of Reading is holding an **art webinar** called 'Art, Employability and Saving the World' on Wednesday 21 October 2020 (2.30pm – 3.30pm). Dr Annabel Frearson will consider why you might want to **study Art at degree level**, possibly **combined with another subject** as a joint degree, and bust some myths around **employability**. The session will cover:

- The bigger picture: thinking about your priorities and values in life
- What an Art degree is like: what and how you learn
- Joint degree options and how to combine your studies effectively
- How an Art degree equips you with skills not just to be an artist

For more information, see <https://www.channeltalent.co.uk/event/art-the-bigger-picture-art-employability-saving-the-world-with-dr-annabel-frearson-from-university-of-reading/>

YEAR 12 NUSTEM are now accepting applications for their **Physics Experience Week**, this time taking place **online** on 15 – 19 February 2021. The event is designed to give students an **insight into what it is like to study at university** and **complete academic research**, with academic researchers and postgraduate students from the **Department of Mathematics, Physics and Electrical Engineering**.

Students will learn about **current research** carried out in areas such as solar physics, smart materials and soft matter, space weather, sustainable materials, fluid dynamics, and materials processing technology. At the end of the week students will **present a research poster** to peers and university staff and students in an online event. The deadline for applications is 27 November 2020. For more information and to apply, see <https://nustem.uk/physics-experience-week/>

BOTH YEARS **Reminder:** The University of Sunderland is running a **Social Sciences Discovery Day** on Wednesday 21 October 2020. The online event will showcase the social sciences subjects available at Sunderland: **Childhood Studies, Criminology, Health and Social Care, Sociology**, and introducing the new BSc **Professional Policing** programme. The event will feature interactive taster sessions run by the University's academic staff. For more information and to book, see <https://www.sunderland.ac.uk/events/event/social-sciences-discovery-day-1022>