

## Sixth Form Bulletin 30/04/21

Queen Elizabeth High School Hexham



Opportunities from the bulletin also feature on our Instagram: @qehs\_sixth\_form

We ask students and their parents to research fully any opportunities advertised in the bulletin to ensure they are happy with the organisation they are linking with and its value for money if there is a cost.

### Notices

#### Year 13

If you are in Year 13 and intending to apply to university for a 2022 start please email [curriculum@qehs.net](mailto:curriculum@qehs.net) with the broad subject area you are interested in, so we know to include you in any more specific advice sessions we offer later in the term.

Are you a Year 13 student who would like to know more about personal finance? NatWest are offering two small group workshops. The first will go through; what can a bank offer, how to read a payslip, reflections on personal spending habits and things that can impact your income. The second will go through the participants' relationship with money and tackles the issue of debt - both avoidance and management. If these virtual workshops interest you please email [curriculum@qehs.net](mailto:curriculum@qehs.net) and we will try to get a group together at a day and time convenient to you all between now and the end of term.

#### Year 12

We have had a few students contact us to say they would be interested in finding out more about a gap year with [Project Trust](#). If you are interested in finding out more and haven't already been in touch please email [Curriculum@qehs.net](mailto:Curriculum@qehs.net) The meeting will take place from 2:20pm to 3pm on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June

If you still have not completed the progression form, this can be complete [here](#). These sessions begin on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May and it is important you complete this in advance. Please remember that period 1 – 3 lessons will now be virtual on 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> May.

### University

SOAS University [Virtual Undergraduate Open Day](#) will take place on Saturday 5 June 2021. At this event, students can find out what it is like to study at SOAS. They will hear from academics as well as current students

**Widening Participation** (some of the criteria universities use to assess eligibility are; household income, receipt of free-school meals/sixth form bursary, first generation in a family to attend university and living in an area with low progression rates to university). Schemes often result in students receiving a slightly lower offer from the university.

Each year Christ's College offer a summer school for Year 11 students who live in areas of low participation to education. This summer it will take place on line. For further details please follow the link. **Note the deadline for applications is today** [LPN Summer School | Christs College Cambridge](#)

The widening Participation Vet Schools Network are holding a national, virtual, Vet Taster event on 12 May between 16:30-18:30pm. The event is free and is intended for Year 12 students from underrepresented backgrounds who are interested in pursuing a career in vet medicine. For the eligibility criteria and further details please follow this link [Widening Participation \(WP\) Vet Schools Network: National Virtual Vet Taster Event \(vetrecordjobs.com\)](#)

### Super-curricular

### **University of Dundee Architecture Competition**

The University of Dundee will run a summer competition aimed at students interested in studying Architecture, Engineering or Urban Planning. This will commence at the end of June and prizes in the form of scholarships and vouchers will be awarded. Sign up link: [Architecture Competition](#)

Cambridge university would like to promote their International Model United Nations High School Conference on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> September. Aimed at Year 11-13 aged students with delegates being able to select what level of debate they would like to join. Further details can be found here: <https://cuimunhs.org>

### **Work experience**

HSBC are hosting an online webinar on May 5<sup>th</sup> from 5-6pm, where they will be promoting summer work experience and apprenticeship opportunities. They have roles across all of their major business areas from banking to legal, HR and technology. Please register by following this link <https://www.research.net/r/HSBC-UK>

Given the pandemic here are some medical work experience [Ideas](#) by Newcastle University

Morgan Stanley are offering a technology insights day for Year 12 and 13 female students on the 30<sup>th</sup> July. [Sign up here](#)

### **Not Going to Uni straight after Sixth Form**

**Please make sure your notifications are still turned on for the TEAMS group Chat – as you start to finish your courses it is important we can still let you know of opportunities or sessions you might be interested in.** If you wish to leave the group please let Joanne know on [curriculum@qehs.net](mailto:curriculum@qehs.net).

Please watch this video if you are thinking about a gap year. AV have come into school many times over the past few years to talk to students about not only their gap year programme but also to talk about the wider benefits and how to get the most out of your year: [Africa and Asia Venture Video](#) . If you would like to contact AV please email [av@aventure.co.uk](mailto:av@aventure.co.uk)

### **Student Finance (Year 12 and 13)**

Please find attached a link to the Student Loan Company's video on student finance <https://www.unitasterdays.com/ondemand/webinar/32/student-finance-and-loans>

**Apprenticeships** (remember to check <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/> regularly and any employers, such as the NHS, who you are particularly interested in working for). Here are examples of recently added ones on the government's apprenticeship website.

Thorp Academy has a vacancy for a Level 3 IT apprentice. They are asking for candidates to have a passion for IT and a grade 4 in maths. [Full details here](#)

Ryton Golf Club are looking for an assistant Greenkeeping apprentice. [Full details here](#)

A Higher Apprenticeship with the potential to lead to a Degree Apprenticeship in Construction Site Management is available with MWH Treatment Limited. The starting salary is £17,500 and the entry requirements are two A Levels or equivalent (64 UCAS points). [Please take a look](#)

### **Employment for Year 13**

Fulltime firefighters are currently being recruited by Northumberland County Council. There are 10 vacancies, applicants must be 18 or over and hold a full driving licence.

<https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Fire/Wholetime-Firefighter.aspx#recruitingwholetimefirefighters-26aprilto16may>