

Sixth Form Bulletin 14/05/21

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

The Newcastle Hospitals trust are advertising for marshalling volunteers for the vaccination centre at the Auction Mart <https://careers.nuth.nhs.uk/your-career/volunteer>.

Year 13

The Shaftoe Charities are inviting students who are leaving Queen Elizabeth High School this year and live in the Haydon Parish (Haydon Bridge and surrounding area) to apply for a grant. The grant is intended to support students undertaking further or higher education academic courses for ALL years of their study, or to support students taking vocational or apprenticeships with a support grant and/or a contribution to their cost of tools. Please go to their website for further details www.shaftoecharities.org.uk or email Sheff Exham, The Clerk, at clerkshaftoecharities@outlook.com

If you are in Year 13 and considering making a late application to university for a September 2021 start please contact the Curriculum Office on 01434 601312 or email curriculum@qehs.net

If you are in Year 13 and intending to apply to university for a 2022 start please email 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.

Year 12

Progression afternoons

Attendance and engagement at both progression afternoons this week has been fantastic. We hope that you have found the sessions useful. Remember you can watch back any of the sessions, apart from the personal finance talk, by visiting the Next Steps section of the school website. The final of the four progression afternoons takes place next Wednesday, where panels of ex-students will talk about: how they decided what to apply for, how they have found university and offer any advice they had wished they had known.

Following their session, Oxbridge Launchpad would like to you to message them if you need any further help on Instagram @oxbridge_launchpad (https://www.instagram.com/oxbridge_launchpad/) or via the email address - hello@oxbridgelaunchpad.com.

Unitasterdays have recorded a session for us on Modern Foreign Languages and added it to their bank of pre-recorded sessions at <https://www.unitasterdays.com/ondemand>

Year 11

See the Shaftoe Charities notice in the Year 13 notices section.

University

Cambridge have launched an online platform which will allow you to chat with current undergraduate students in a safe and monitored way. You can contact them at any time to ask any questions you might have about university life, Cambridge, King's, Admissions etc. On this platform, you can also see what students get up to whilst at Cambridge.

[Chat](#)

Leeds University have launched an online hub full of pre-recorded talks, student blogs and resources.

<https://educationoutreach.leeds.ac.uk>

If you are a student thinking of studying in Leeds (University of Leeds, Leeds Beckett, Leeds College of Art or Leeds Trinity) join a live session 4 -5:30pm on Wednesday 23 May to hear what makes it a top student destination. [Why Leeds webpage](#) Please follow the next link for virtual open days and campus tours [Virtual Open Days webpages](#)

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.

Super-curricular

The STEM learning centre still have Nuffield Research placements available for more details follow this link: <https://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/students-teachers/nuffield-research-placements>

- **May 17 @ 13:30 - 14:15** Society for Natural Sciences: Advancements in Forensics via Natural Sciences (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **May 18 @ 16:15 - 17:15** Free Speech & Misinformation – Interdisciplinary University Perspectives & Debate - Reading & Kent (KS4 & KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **May 20 @ 14:15 - 15:15** Economics - Labour Markets - A Feminist Perspective - UEA (KS5) (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **May 25 @ 10:00 - 11:00** Geography/Urban Studies & Planning: Sustainable Cities & Age Friendly Places - Sheffield (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **May 26 @ 16:15 - 17:15** Pharmacy/Pharmacology - University Module Insights - UEA & Nottingham (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **May 27 @ 14:00 - 15:00** History: Soviet Statue Toppling - Study Skills for History with Goldsmiths (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Work experience

For any student interested in Speech and Language Therapy it would be worth listening to Radio 4's Word of Mouth. Michael Rosen talks to therapists about his own rehabilitation post Covid-19.

Young Professionals are bringing together some of the world's biggest brands. In collaboration with **CIMA, Adidas, McDonald's and Plaids** (the creators of McVitie's) their webinar will talk all about what it's like to work in Business & Accounting at some of the world's most recognisable brands. They will be showcasing all of the **career opportunities for students leaving school** this year as well as summer work experience opportunities with CIMA.

Key Details:

- Open to students interested in Business, Accounting & Finance
 - **Wednesday 19th May, 5pm - 6pm**
 - Senior business leaders from Adidas, McDonald's and Plaids will be joining us
 - An overview on what the CIMA Business & Accounting qualification is
 - **Summer Work Experience in Business, Accounting & Finance with CIMA**
 - Open to all Y12/13
 - Very limited places (first come first served)
- Application Link:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CIMA-Event>

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.

- Please email Joanne (curriculum@qehs.net) if you would like to listen to the panel of ex-students who are offering advice about applying to university.

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.

Apprenticeship	Entry requirements	Apprenticeship level	Location	Earnings	Closing date
Data Science (Public Health Intelligence Analyst)	A Levels: Maths (Grade B) Essential Analytics (Grade C) Desired Information Technology (Grade B) Desired Science (Grade C) Desired	Degree (Level 6)	Newcastle	Annual wage £28,588.00	18 th May
<p>For a career in Data Science, look no further. We are offering a Level 6 Data Science apprenticeship with career potential in a world leading organisation. Apply to be part of the Civil Service and play a vital role in our emergency response to the COVID-19 pandemic and help improve and protect the nation's health.</p> <p>Duration: 42 months</p> <p>More info: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000012429 and to apply: https://www.healthjobsuk.com/job/v3124993</p>					
Spire Nursing Apprenticeship Programme	GCSE English & Maths (Grade 4) Essential Other Lvl 3 Equivalent/112 UCAS Points Essential Other Level 3 Healthcare (Grade Pass or Above) Desired	Degree (Level 6)	Washington (Spire Hospital)	Annual wage £18,000	24 th May
<p>Our Registered Nursing Degree Apprenticeship programme offers you a great opportunity to gain practical work experience while working alongside experienced clinicians in our friendly hospitals, to build your clinical skills and expertise. You will be fully supported professionally and academically to achieve your Nursing Degree. Upon completion, you will be awarded a BSc in Adult Nursing practice and will be eligible to register with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC).</p> <p>Duration: 60 months</p> <p>More info: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000011861 and to apply: https://www.spirehealthcare.com/recruitment/spire-nursing-apprenticeship-programme/</p>					

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IT Security & Privacy	A Levels in ICT/Business/Computing	Higher (Level 4)	Newcastle	Annual wage £18,000	31 st May
<p>As part of our Information Security & Privacy team, you will play a vital role in supporting, and improving the businesses overall IT & Privacy security posture. You will report directly to our Chief Information Security Officer and work closely with the wider IT departments.</p> <p>Duration: 21 months</p> <p>More info: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-592797 and to apply: https://eu7.advorto.com/QAApprenticeships/VacancyInformation.aspx?VId=72347</p>					
Optical Assistant	GCSEs at grades 9-3 (or predicted) in both English Language and Maths.	Intermediate Level 2 (GCSE)	Hexham (Specsavers)	Weekly wage £206.25	31 st May
<p>Become a qualified Optical Assistant in just 13 months - and get paid while you're at it.</p> <p>Duration: 13 months</p> <p>More info and to apply: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-593413</p>					
Mechanical/Electrical Technician	GCSEs Maths, English and Science at grade 4	Advanced Level 3 (A Level)	Hexham (Go North East)	Weekly wage £163.40	28 th May
<p>We are seeking a bright and enthusiastic individual to join Go North East's highly-coveted, award winning mechanical and electrical engineering apprenticeship – named one of Centrica's top 100 apprentice employers. The four-year apprenticeship includes both on the-job and college learning modules.</p> <p>Duration: 4 years</p> <p>More info and to apply: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-594047</p>					
Agricultural Technician	Ideally you will have or be predicted good GCSEs, but these are not essential. However, you must be literate and numerate.	Advanced Level 3 (A Level)	Hexham (John Deere)	Weekly wage £172.00	31 st July
<p>With the emphasis firmly on farming machinery, you will develop skills and proficiency in a wide range of technical areas, from routine maintenance and servicing through to complex component overhauls utilising the very latest diagnostic equipment. Engineering is a practical subject, and requires a great deal of focus and thought.</p> <p>Duration: 3 years</p> <p>More info: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-588540 and to apply: https://apprenticeshipfinder.co.uk/john-deere/</p>					
Field Technician (IT)	GCSE Maths and English grade 4 or above - Essential	Advanced Level 3 (A Level)	Hexham (Centurion Computers)	Annual wage £8,385.00	29 th June
<p>This is a fantastic opportunity to join a fast-growing organisation, enhance your exposure within IT and be able to expand rapidly on your knowledge base that will push your progression and career potential.</p> <p>Duration: 18 months</p> <p>More info and to apply: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000012654</p>					
NHS: Multi-skilled Engineer with Electrical Bias	GCSE Maths grade 5 At least 4 other GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a science subject	Level 3	Gosforth or Gateshead	Annual wage £10,476	30 th May
<p>A position has arisen for a Level 3 Apprenticeship in Multi Skilled with an electrical bias (note as this is a multiskilled apprenticeship you will study and work both electrically and mechanically). Please note you will work on NHS sites but will not be directly employed by</p>					

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	<p>the NHS. The Apprenticeship Standard you will study for will either be the Healthcare Engineering Specialist Technician or Science Industry Maintenance Technician. Duration: 4 years More info and to apply: https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/916507516 (Gosforth) or https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/916507515 (Gateshead)</p>				
NHS: Medical Electronic Engineer	GCSE Maths grade 5 At least 4 other GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a science subject	Level 3	Newcastle	Annual wage £10,476	30 th May
	<p>A position has arisen for a Level 3 Apprenticeship in Medical Electronic Engineering based within the above organisation. The Apprenticeship Standard you will study for will either be the Healthcare Engineering Specialist Technician or Science Industry Maintenance Technician. Duration: 4 years More info and to apply: https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/916506661</p>				
NHS: Multi-skilled Engineer with Mechanical Bias	GCSE Maths grade 5 At least 4 other GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a science subject	Level 3	Newcastle or Gateshead	Annual wage £10,476	30 th May
	<p>A position has arisen for a Level 3 Apprenticeship in Multi Skilled with a Mechanical Bias (note as this is a multiskilled apprenticeship you will study and work both electrically and mechanically). The Apprenticeship Standard you will study for will either be the Healthcare Engineering Specialist Technician or Science Industry Maintenance Technician. Duration: 4 years More info and to apply: https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/916506711 (Newcastle) or https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/916507552 (Gateshead)</p>				
Customer Service (Telesales/Business Developer)	GCSE Maths and English grade 4 would be ideal but not essential	Intermediate Level 2 (GCSE)	Hexham (Howdens Joinery)	Annual wage £10,500	23 rd May
	<p>Are you friendly & engaging with attention to detail? In this role you'll learn how to build relationships with new & existing customers, use telephone sales techniques to generate business & gain new leads. You'll also provide administration support to the depot. We'll provide training in depot & through our in-house learning and development team. Duration: 15 months More info and to apply: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-539167</p>				
Merchant Apprentice	A minimum of 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above	Intermediate Level 2 (GCSE)	Hexham (J.T. Dove)	Weekly wage £326.92	25 th May
	<p>Apprentice in our parts departments, dealing with various well known names of agricultural dealers. Duration: 15 months More info and to apply: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-585899</p>				
Hairdressing	GCSEs at grade 4 or above in English and Maths are an advantage but not essential	Intermediate Level 2 (GCSE)	Corbridge	Weekly wage £161.25	6 th June
	<p>A fantastic opportunity has arisen for the right candidate to undertake an apprenticeship in Hairdressing at a prestigious salon in Corbridge. Duration: 2 years More info: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-600590 and to apply: https://blhairdressing.co.uk/</p>				

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Equine Groom	GCSE Maths and English grade 3 or above	Intermediate Level 2 (GCSE)	Near Corbridge	Weekly wage £129.00	28 th May
<p>NE Sports Horses & Ponies Ltd are looking to recruit a new member of staff to their team and want to welcome an apprentice equine groom.</p> <p>Duration: 18 months</p> <p>More info and to apply: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-598470</p>					
Trade Supplier	GCSE Maths and English Grade 3 and above are preferable but not essential	Intermediate Level 2 (GCSE)	Hexham (Carrs Billington)	Weekly wage £172.00	14 th May
<p>Apprentice in our parts departments, dealing with various well known names of agricultural dealers.</p> <p>Duration: 12 months</p> <p>More info and to apply: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-538099</p>					