



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 12**

### Option change requests

These are going to be looked at on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Before an option change request can be processed, you should have attended a lesson of the subject you are considering moving to and you should have booked an appointment with the curriculum team to discuss your option choices. As some subjects may be full it is important for you to consider whether you would opt for a backup option(s) or stay with your original option choices.

**Year 12 & 13**

### Sixth Form Freshers' Fair

The Freshers' Fair will be held on the afternoon of Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October - both Year 12 and 13 will be able to attend. Timings and venue will be explained in assembly!

**Year 12 & 13**

The **Tynedale Jobs Fair** is at the Wentworth Leisure Centre in Hexham on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**. This is not a term day so would be a fantastic opportunity to see local job opportunities. Full details in **Appendix I!**

## University: Super-curricular

You may be interested in these upcoming events:

**Year 12 & 13**

### Interested in a legal career?

If you are interested in the opportunity below, please give your name to the curriculum office (email [curriculum@qehs.net](mailto:curriculum@qehs.net)) before the 8<sup>th</sup> October.

Eversheds Sutherland in Newcastle are currently in the process of organising their Life as a Lawyer event for 1 November 2021. This event will be held virtually.

The day will include a number of workshops and exercises that provide an insight into the role of a lawyer, the work involved in their different practice groups and what it is like to work at Eversheds Sutherland. There will also be a number of Eversheds Sutherland employees present from Partner to trainee level to speak to the students and answer any questions they may have. They will also have a talk from a local barrister.

There are places for **two** Sixth Form students to attend this event, which will be held on Zoom. The event will start at 9.30am and finish around 4.30pm.

**Year 12**

### Interested in Optometry?

This uses your STEM skills to the full. If you are interested in a live, 30-minute session hosted by Specsavers, please email [curriculum@qehs.net](mailto:curriculum@qehs.net) and we will arrange a lunchtime talk.

In this live 30-minute session you will:

- Hear from students taking optometry at uni and from newly qualified optometrists
- See inspiring short films
- Discover a day in the life of an optometrist - what do they actually do?
- Discover the exciting benefits and global opportunities

- Experience what eye conditions look & feel like in our hands-on STEM challenge
- Get practical advice on next steps, work experience and sponsorship opportunities
- Have the opportunity to ask questions

**Year 12**

### Interested in Paramedic Science?

**Webinars** – This week’s featured university guidance webinar from Uni Taster Days explores university courses in [Paramedic Science](#). Students can find out more about what to expect on the course, why they may wish to consider it, application tips and careers. There are hundreds of subject introductions available - all covering these four key themes to support university course decision making. **[Search all webinars HERE](#)**

Browse all upcoming events at the Uni Taster Days website: <https://www.unitasterdays.com/>

### [Newcastle Debates: How will the North East confront the climate crisis?](#)

**Year 12 & 13**

**Date/Time:** Tuesday 5 October 2021, 5.30 – 6.30pm

**Location:** This is an online event, hosted on Zoom

In the run-up to the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) in Glasgow this November, Newcastle University are delighted to present the third event in the Newcastle Debates series ‘How will the North East confront the climate crisis?’

The panel of experts will discuss the big questions we face while trying to recover from the pandemic at the same time as reach net zero status by 2030.

The event will take the form of a virtual panel discussion, with questions submitted by the audience, focussing on the role that the North East can play in limiting carbon emissions and what we as individuals and organisations can do to mitigate the impact of climate change.

Panellists include:

- **Professor Hayley Fowler**, Co-chair, Net Zero Task Force and Professor of Climate Change Impacts, Newcastle University
- **Councillor Clare Penny-Evans**, Cabinet member for Climate Change and Public Safety, Newcastle City Council
- **Peter Rolton**, UK CEO, Britishvolt
- **Matthew Balme-Walsh**, Participant in the Newcastle 150 Young Person's Leadership Programme

The panel will be chaired by Professor Jane Robinson, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Engagement and Place at Newcastle University.

### [Register for your place](#)

**Year 12 & 13**

There are many online talks coming up, hosted by a variety of universities on a range of topics. A full list was in last week’s bulletin and an additional talk is below.

### Psychology

- **October 4 @ 16:15 - 17:15** Psychology - University Module Insights - UEA & Glasgow

**Year 12**

### Interested in a Cambridge Foundation Year?

Open Evening on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September, 4.30 – 6pm**

The Open Evening will give potential applicants the opportunity to meet the Foundation Year team, learn more details about the programme and have their questions answered. The evening will involve College staff discussing their role in the Foundation Year and an opportunity to hear from current undergraduate students at Cambridge. The evening also offers insight into the application process and the support available. For details, click [here](#).

### The Girls in STEM Club

**Years 11, 12 & 13**

The Girls in STEM Club is now open! The Girls in STEM Club is a new online space for girls age 14+, Newcastle University staff, students and alumni to find all kinds of support, advice and inspiration around STEM education and careers. Members will have access to monthly Q&A sessions with inspirational women working in STEM, monthly online workshops and eventually in-person events on campus too. Girls will be able to ask for guidance on anything from coursework, applying to university and careers.

The first virtual workshop will take place on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm** so please circulate this information to your students before then so they don't miss out! This introductory workshop explores the history of women in STEM.

Students can sign up here: <https://stem.ncl.ac.uk/projects/the-girls-in-stem-club/>

**Years 12 & 13**

### University of Leeds: New, free online course: Skills to Succeed at University

Launching on **Monday 11 October**, Leeds University are hosting a new, free online course. **Skills to Succeed at University** focuses on preparing you for university life and undergraduate study. Filled with a range of exciting, interactive resources, you will be able to:

- explore the key skills required for independent learning
- practice and develop academic skills such as essay writing
- learn more about the support services and extra-curricular activities available to help you make the most of their time at university.

Designed to be flexible, students can learn at a time and pace that best suits them. The course material is relevant to all those considering university and will be particularly helpful to learners studying 'non-traditional' qualifications and/or are from widening participation backgrounds.

**Booking information:** Interested students can [register their place](#) now on the FutureLearn platform. For a full list of the free, online courses please visit the [Going to University Collection](#) webpage.

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### Useful University Webinars

There are a series of webinars coming up, all free of charge, on a range of topics, bookable through the Advancing Access website: <https://www.advancingaccess.ac.uk/cpd-events/content/live-webinars>

- 28<sup>th</sup> September: Choosing a University and Course (hosted by the University of Birmingham)
- 4<sup>th</sup> October: Supporting students to prepare for online Oxbridge interviews (hosted by the University of Cambridge)
- 7<sup>th</sup> October: Helping students to understand and apply for student finance (hosted by the University of Manchester)
- 12<sup>th</sup> October: Understanding contextual admissions policies (hosted by Durham University)
- 14<sup>th</sup> October: Post-16 qualifications and access to university (presented by Advancing Access)
- 18<sup>th</sup> November: Supporting Black students to access competitive universities (presented by the University of York)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> November: Supporting students with disabilities to access Higher Education

All are 4-5pm.

**Year 12**

### Leeds University Virtual Open Days

These provide an opportunity to discover Leeds from home. From **2 – 9 October** they will be running live virtual events.

The online events will cover subject specific sessions; UCAS top tips; accommodation and more. You will also be able to chat online with staff and current undergraduates, as well as explore the campus.

To receive an email reminder when bookings open, you can register your interest on the [Virtual Open Days](#) webpage.

**Year 13**

**Year 14**

### Interested in working in the NHS?

Come along to the virtual events running between 11 and 16th October 2021 and find out more about working in the NHS. Representatives from several North East NHS Trusts, the local council will be represented as well as the North East Ambulance Service. We are committed to making our workplaces inclusive and are holding these events to promote our job opportunities particularly to those who identify as ethnic minority and disabled. We are taking positive action to increase representation in our workforces.

Whether you come to all sessions or just one you will have the opportunity to speak to our staff, view our current vacancies, learn how to set up job alerts for the jobs you're interested in, learn how to complete a good application form and find about our volunteering opportunities. Staff representatives from all Trusts / local council will be available to answer all of your questions.

For details and to book, go to: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/work-for-us-a-recruitment-event-from-north-east-nhs-and-local-authorities-tickets-167721253785?utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-campaign=social%2Cemail&utm-source=strongmail>

## Work Experience

**Years 12 & 13**

### Are you interested in a Virtual Work Experience Day in Healthcare?

The NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience successfully invited 12,000 students to participate in the last academic year, making it the largest programme for students who are specifically interested in the following careers: Nursing, Midwifery, Paramedicine, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Dietetics, Radiography, Prosthetics and Orthotics, Speech and language therapy and Pharmacy!

Applications for this programme are now open, and they will be open throughout this academic year, with the

first programme taking place on the **3rd October!**

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. Students will observe the healthcare professionals as they interact with the patients and each other. Students will have an opportunity to ask questions and gain knowledge through teaching. This will help students to make an informed career decision as well as learn about how healthcare professionals work together as part of a multidisciplinary team.

Each work experience day is completely different and students will be able to build on their knowledge of NHS careers as they see different patient cases and healthcare professionals work in a variety of settings, such as hospital and community.

Students will also receive certificates as evidence of having participated in the work experience programme. Those that complete the entire 6-month programme will be awarded with Highly Commended References too. Students can register individually through the website link below.

Places are £10 a day to cover administrative costs and run the tech on the day. You can register for the programme here: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>

**Year 12**

There are immersive weekend experiences in 13 different STEM and Medicine-related careers. **Learn from top doctors, engineers, psychologists, investment bankers and more. Students can attend in-person at UCL or online.** Other options include the Universities of Bristol, Birmingham, Manchester and Edinburgh.

**Note: There is a cost for these courses – e.g. the Medicine one is £165 to attend online or £165 each day if you attend in person. Throughout the year there are free sessions hosted by universities or the NHS (e.g. the opportunity above!) so you may wish to look for these instead.**

They expect to be fully-booked for many of these programmes by September 30th.

To find out more, visit: <https://investin.org/pages/choose-your-career?filter=stem>

**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.

**Years 11, 12 and 13**

Apprenticeship	Entry requirements	Apprenticeship level	Location	Earnings	Closing date
Early Years Practitioner	Desired: 5 GCSE's 9-4 Maths and English and Level 2 Childcare qualification or equivalent	Advanced Level 3 (A Level)	Nr Corbridge	Weekly wage £159.10	30 <sup>th</sup> September
<p>This is a unique opportunity for an Apprentice Early Years Practitioner to join the Meadows Nursery, established in the beautiful Northumberland countryside. The employer is looking for someone who is wanting to start a career in childcare and will provide all the necessary training required to gain the qualification.</p> <p>For more info and to apply, go to:  <a href="https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-594963">https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-594963</a></p>					
Finance Assistant	5 GCSEs at grade 5 or above, including English and Maths	Intermediate Level 2 (GCSE)	Riding Mill	Weekly wage £187.50	15 <sup>th</sup> October
<p>We have a fantastic opportunity for an Apprentice Finance Assistant to join Osbit Limited. We are looking for a highly motivated, committed, and reliable individual to join our Finance team, providing financial and administrative support in an energetic, supportive environment.</p> <p>For more info and to apply, go to:  <a href="https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-658599">https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-658599</a></p>					
Equine Groom Apprentice	GCSE grade 9-2 in English and Maths	Intermediate Level 2 (GCSE)	12 miles north of Hexham	Weekly wage £150.50	8 <sup>th</sup> October
<p>We have mixture of competition horses from all disciplines as well as young horses to break in and produce. The job role will be varied and includes the opportunity to travel to events and training facilities. There will be great training and riding opportunities for the right person.</p> <p>For more info and to apply, go to:  <a href="https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-660869">https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-660869</a></p>					
Production Chef	GCSE grade 3 or above in English and Maths	Intermediate Level 2 (GCSE)	Mickley	Weekly wage £157.50	30 <sup>th</sup> September
<p>Community Buddies Tearoom are based in Mickley on the outskirts of Stocksfield, we are delighted to offer a vacancy for a Production Chef Apprentice to join their team. All produce is homemade, breakfasts, soup, quiche, pies and all homemade treats, from the food to customer service they are passionate to offer a great all-round experience.</p> <p>For more info and to apply, go to:  <a href="https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-623821">https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-623821</a></p>					

Apprenticeships featured previously – see previous [bulletins](#) for full details and how to apply, or search on <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/>

Apprenticeship	Apprenticeship level	Location	Earnings	Closing date
Medical Receptionist	Advanced (Level 3)	Stocksfield	Weekly wage £150.00	8 <sup>th</sup> October
Metal Fabricator	Advanced (Level 3)	Newbiggin	Weekly wage £129.00	17 <sup>th</sup> September
Agricultural Technician	Advanced (Level 3)	Hexham	Weekly wage £172.00	30 <sup>th</sup> September
Service Technician	Advanced (Level 3)	Hexham	Weekly wage £194.00	27 <sup>th</sup> September
Dental Nurse	Advanced (Level 3)	Hexham	Weekly wage £161.70 to £311.85	30 <sup>th</sup> September
Hairdressing	Intermediate (Level 2)	Saks, Hexham	Weekly wage £129.00	12 <sup>th</sup> November
Apprentice Parts Retailer	Intermediate (Level 2)	Hexham	Weekly wage £172.00	30 <sup>th</sup> September
Customer Service	Intermediate (Level 2)	Howdens, Hexham	Annual wage £10,500	26 <sup>th</sup> September
Hospitality Team Member	Intermediate (Level 2)	Rose & Crown, Slaley	Competitive salary	24 <sup>th</sup> September

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