Sixth Form Bulletin 27/05/2022



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

On 3rd May we held an Information, Advice and Guidance Evening for parents. Due to the quality of recordings on the evening, we advise viewing last year's videos which contain relevant information and helpful resources. You can find these on our website by following this link https://www.qehs.net/index.php/next-steps/

Year 12

We are holding another progression day on **Wednesday 22**nd **June.** Please see below for a full list of sessions:

- All tracks ski instructor course
- Project trust
- Student finance
- Au pairing
- Searching for apprenticeship and traineeship opportunities
- Enterprise workshop (30 spaces)
- Writing a strong personal statement (if you are applying to university this year or next, and didn't take part in this talk last time you should attend this session)
- Making an informed choice about your chosen uni/course
- Understanding the flexibility the Scottish university system offers
- CV writing and job applications
- Land-based courses
- Armed forces follow-up
- IT courses and careers
- Graphic courses and careers
- Physics and maths degrees
- Drafting your personal statement (compulsory for anyone applying to university)

Note: You will be able to opt for sessions during assembly on Thursday 9th June.

University: Super-curricular

You may be interested in these upcoming events.

Please note: We have been asked by the universities to share their outreach activities with you. To find out more about a university use university league tables and to research the course area you are interested in at a specific university use https://discoveruni.gov.uk/ where the views from the most recent graduates on their degree experience have been sought.

Years 11, 12 & 13

INSIGHTS Public Lectures

INSIGHTS will return in October 2022, when Newcastle Uni will once again to bring you an exciting and wideranging series of talks by leading scholars, scientists, literary and cultural figures. Look out for further details which will be announced in September.

If you are looking for something to keep you occupied over the summer, please watch <u>Past Lectures</u> and listen to the <u>From Newcastle Podcast</u>.

Year 12

Northumbria Uni Taster Days

Psychology Taster Day- Thursday 9th June

There will be a Psychology Taster for Sixth Form/College students on **Thursday 9th June** at Northumbria University.

The timetable for the day is below:

10:00 -10:10 Arrivals and Registration

10:10-10:30 Welcome, Housekeeping and Overview

10:30-11:30 An introduction to clinical psychology: practice and research with Dr Laura Clarke

11:30-12:30 An introduction to psychology at Northumbria with Dr Lee Shepherd

12:30-13:00 Campus Tour

13:00-13:45 Lunch

13:45-14:45 An introduction to forensic psychology: practice and research

14:45-15:00 Evaluations and Round Up

15:00 Finish

Students can sign up here

Chemistry Experience Taster Day- Wednesday 13th July

There will be another Chemistry Experience day on **Wednesday 13th July**. There will be two sessions, one between 09:30-12:00 and one in the afternoon between 13:00-15:30.

Please be aware that there are only 40 places per session due to lab sizes and students only need to pick an AM or PM session.

Students can sign up here

Note: The Chemistry taster day is during work experience week so if you haven't arranged work experience and are interested in taking Chemistry as a subject, this is a good option. The Psychology taster day is during term time but is an excellent opportunity for those with a keen interest in studying Psychology at Uni.

Year 12

University of Cambridge New Monthly E-newsletter

The University of Cambridge is starting a new monthly e-newsletter for parents, carers and supporters of prospective applicants to Cambridge, offering support and advice throughout the admissions process.

The newsletter will address common questions and concerns, and aims to offer guidance when supporting your student. To sign up, please click here

University: 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.

Year 12

Discover Health - Nursing & Midwifery

Teesside University are holding an event designed for people within the BAME community who want to find out more about a potential career in Nursing & Midwifery on 22nd June.

Afshan Ali who previously studied at Teesside University and now works as a Midwife at James Cook Hospital will be speaking. Following that there will be a Q&A with Afshan and some student midwives.

Attendees will get the opportunity to have a taster session in each area of nursing & midwifery throughout the day. The event is of free of charge.

For more information, click here

Year 12

UCAT bursary applications are now open

UCAT bursary applications are now open for year 12 students. This bursary allows eligible students to sit the UCAT exam for free.

Students can apply below:

https://www.ucat.ac.uk/bursary-application/

To be eligible, students need to meet one of the following criteria:

- Free School Meals
- 16 to 19 Bursary (England), or EMA (Scotland, Wales or NI)
- HE Student Finance means-tested maintenance award.
- Universal Credit
- Working or Child Tax Credit
- Income Support, or Job Seeker's Allowance (JSA), or
- Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Asylum Support

Full criteria can be found here: https://www.ucat.ac.uk/register/bursary-scheme/

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).

Year II

Year 13

Apprenticeship Resources

Should students be considering apprenticeships as a future training and study option, the following link is a useful resource for parents and carers to support discussions. There is also a search facility for different apprenticeships based on location.

Previous editions of 'Parent Packs' are also available for download. April's edition refers to the Talking Futures Programme, which is a toolkit for parents to support with career conversations.

https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/influencers/resources-for-parentshttps://www.talkingfutures.org.uk/

Year 13

Content Producer Apprentice - Northumberland National Parks Authority

You will be part of a creative team shaping engaging stories which bring the National Park to life across digital platforms. You will be involved in supporting the Marketing and Development team on a day-to-day basis with a particular focus on supporting the creation of social media and digital content across multiple channels. You will also be involved in responding to customer service enquiries and working with different departments across the authority to respond to questions from visitors and residents when required.

What training will the apprentice take and what qualification will the apprentice get at the end?

You will work towards the Level 3 Junior Content Producer standard with Gateshead College

What is the expected career progression after this apprenticeship?

Possibility of full time employment on successful completion of apprenticeship.

For more information, click here

Events

Year II

Gateshead College: Gamerama Event - 31st May

If you are looking for a career in the Games or Digital industry, this event is ideal for you. Meet the team and find out more about courses starting in September.

Visit our gaming and creative zone where there'll be a host of activities including:

- Rocket League and Guitar Hero Tournaments
- Beat Saber VR
- Digital Art Station
- Retro Games
- Live Coding
- Cryptography Puzzles
- Virtual Robots
- Game Jam Demos
- Character Design

Character Makeup

Plus you'll also get the chance to say hello to teachers, current students and some of the employers they work with.

When? Tuesday 31st May, 1:00pm to 5:00pm

Where? Baltic Campus, Quarryfield Road, Baltic Business Quarter, Gateshead, NE8 3BE

For more information, click <u>here</u>

Careers

Year 13

Climate Change Intern – Northumberland County Council

Northumberland County Council declared a Climate Emergency in 2019. Since then, they have been busy identifying and delivering projects that attract investment to the county, create new jobs for the green economy and reduce our carbon footprint.

They are recruiting summer interns on a 6-8 week placement, to work on a number of exciting projects, which will contribute to climate change goals.

For more information, click here