



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.



Key: If the year group is highlighted, the information applies to students in that group

Notices

Year 13 Parents' Eve

Parents' evening is taking place on Wednesday 25 October. Appointments will be in person and information on how to book was emailed yesterday, the booking system will open at 9AM on Wednesday 18 October.

Debating Club

Debating Club takes place on a Monday lunchtime, 12.30pm, in CB4.

16 October

This House believes that government economic policy should prioritise the collective happiness and wellbeing of the population over economic growth.

Students can sign up to speak, or just come along and listen.

Personal Development

PD is cancelled for year 13 next week. 60 year 12 students will take part in the revision techniques workshop. Those who should be in attendance will receive a text message.

Tynedale Talking Newspaper Meet

Anne Leuchars and David Ratcliff will be in school at 12.30 on Wednesday 18 October. They be able to help one or two of you who already have firm ideas for your first contributions, support others to respond to the list of what listeners like, and introduce Audacity for first-time users. There's no rush - TTM editions are prepared every two months, and there'll be space in all later editions for you. Same Art/Design room (HB4), same time, but David and Anne will make sure you get to lunch in time!!

Paint a Pot

On Thursday 23 November in personal development time, Inspired Pots have kindly agreed to help us hold a very large scale paint a pot session. We have capacity for 170 students to sign up to paint a Christmas decoration, which the company promise will be fired and returned before the Christmas holidays.

We very much hope the session will prove a welcome change from the normal school day and start to get us all in the Christmas spirit. The cost of £5 covers all the materials, firing of the decoration and refreshments. Please sign up using the School Gateway app on **Monday 16 October**, the session is free for bursary students but they still need to sign up to secure a place.

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.

Channel Talent Talks

Comp Sci: Developing Secure Software with UEA - November 7

On 7th November, we will explore how security can be prioritised when developing software. Joined by Sally Earl from the School of Computing Sciences at University of East Anglia, we will consider the process of software development from the initial design phase to rolling out to the user, interactively looking at techniques and best practices to put cyber security at the forefront of development.

This is a great opportunity for Computer Science students, who are welcome to join individually or in teaching groups. Please do share with relevant colleagues and students.

- **November 7 @ 14:15 - 15:00 Computer Science: Developing Secure Software with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]**

English Lit/Drama: Shakespeare's First Folio – Solent University - November 13

The 1623 publication Mr. William Shakespeare's Comedies, Histories, & Tragedies also known as the First Folio claims to contain the exact replicas of Shakespeare's original plays.

Ben Archer from Solent University joins us on 13 November to support students in accessing the works of Shakespeare's, looking at visual clues in the format and presentation of the First Folio text to bring the words to life without the need for lengthy analysis.

- **November 13 @ 12:30 - 13:15 Drama/Literature: Acting From Shakespeare's First Folio – Solent University (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]**

Medical Imaging With Society for Natural Sciences/University of Nottingham - 14 November

On 14th November, we are delighted to be running a Medical Imaging session with Dr Chris Brignell, Director of Natural Sciences at University of Nottingham and representing the Society for Natural Sciences.

Chris will look at how advances in medical imaging are dependent on interdisciplinary science, and how we have used them to improve human health and scientific understanding.

November 14 @ 13:00 - 13:45 Society for Natural Sciences: Medical Imaging & Studying Natural Sciences (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]

Free Resource for Prospective Medical School Applicants

We are two doctors who graduated from the University of Cambridge (Medicine) and now work as surgical registrars.

We have a podcast aimed at helping prospective medical students applying to university. Our current series features frequently discussed "hot topics" at medical school interviews. Every week we will discuss a key concept relating to this topic. Our latest topics include organ donation and capacity. This may be of interest to the senior school and sixth form/college.

Our podcasts are available on Spotify, Apple Podcasts (links below) and all other podcast providers.

Spotify: <https://open.spotify.com/show/4OJpXxaNDzacOcU0CMKrCe>

Apple: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-application-doctor/id1648260029>

We also offer bespoke face-to-face and virtual courses at schools, providing insights into the application process for British medical schools. We also deliver a similar course for Cambridge and Oxford university applications.

Free Medicine UCAS Conferences

Registration for the national free UCAS conferences for students interested in becoming doctors has opened. Students will be awarded a certificate of attendance which can be listed on their Medical School UCAS applications for 'activities that support higher education'. The events have marked a valuable turning point for students and are open to students from any school and background in 10-12 year groups.

Conference Registration Form: <https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lw6/shry7MZYtt3MGPjvO>

Upcoming Dates:

Saturday 28 October

Sunday 29 October

Saturday 4 November

The Get into Medicine UCAS Conference is a comprehensive guide to the medical application process. The doctors and medical students will cover:

- Application Timelines
- How to Tactically Choose Medical Schools
- CV Building
- Personal Statements
- Medical School Interviews
- UCAT - Entrance Exams to Medical School
- Medical Leadership and Awards Programmes
- Accessing Work Experience
- Accessing Scholarships

We strongly encourage all students to make the most out of this free opportunity that has helped thousands of students secure medical school places since it launched: <https://medicmentor.org/successful-student-journeys-reviews/>

Here's how the day will run:

9:30-10.00 Registration

10.00-11:00 Quick introduction to Medic Mentor, overview of the day, competition ratios, application timeline, Awards and Scholarships

11:00-11:15 Break

11.15-11.45 Introduction to the UCAS application form and entry requirements

11.45-12.15 Interactive CV building exercise and exclusive access to leadership, research, presentation, publication, prizes and scholarship opportunities

12.15-12.30 Top tips from a successful applicant (medical student)

12:30-12:45 Break
12:45-13:30 How to write the perfect personal statement
13:30-13:45 Break
13:45-14:10 Entrance exams - how to do ace the UCAT
14:10-14:30 How to prepare for Medical School interviews
14:30-15:00 Top tips from a successful applicant (medical student) and next steps

One booking = one booking for a student + their parent/guardian.

'Head start to Uni' Free Event at Newcastle

Friday 27 October: 13:30pm - 18:00pm

As well as a tour of campus, you'll get the chance to talk to Uni students and choose from a selection of workshops about:

- student finance
- choosing the right course and uni
- medicine and dentistry interview prep
- personal statements
- PARTNERS supported entry route

The deadline to register is Sunday 15 October (18.00). Please click [here](#) to register.

Heritage Alliance Debate 2023

Each year, The Heritage Alliance's Heritage Debate offers the chance for all those interested in heritage to come together and explore key challenges facing the sector. Now in its 13th year, Heritage Debate brings sector leaders, professionals, volunteers and students together for cross sector insight, connection and to find solutions to key challenges facing the sector.

At this online debate, a panel of experts, representing different streams of the sector workforce, will each make the case for a key priority area needed to secure a viable future for heritage careers. From apprenticeships to trustee positions (and every role in between), we'll be asking where the heritage sector we needs to focus efforts to make heritage a viable and rewarding career choice. The debate will explore career pathways, volunteering, fair pay and progression, access and inclusion, youth engagement, and much more. Attendees will be invited to share their own career experiences via a word cloud will have the opportunity to vote on the outcome of the debate.

Tickets are free for Alliance Members, £5 for concessions and £8 for General Admission. Book your place now by clicking [here](#)

Pathways to Medicine and Experience Days at Newcastle University

What is the Pathways programme?

Pathways provides information, guidance and hands on experience to students interested in studying Medicine at university. The Pathways to Medicine programme was developed to widen access to the medical profession. The programme provides both academic support, so that students achieve the grades needed for highly competitive medical school places, as well as providing sector specific support – such as mentoring, networking and skills workshops. All of which build the essential knowledge, skills and confidence required to go on to higher education and the world of work.

The programme will run from February 2024 until students make decisions about their application in October 2024. Additional support will be offered including interview support for students after this time.

What does the Pathways to Medicine programme involve?

Pathways events are held both on campus and online and we run a range of sessions including:

- Launch event and final celebration events on campus
- Guest lectures and Q&As with Clinicians and current medicine students
- Application, UCAT, and Interview workshops
- Residential Summer School in the Summer of Year 12
- Ongoing support from application to interview, through to A Level results and enrolment.

Students on the Pathways programme will have two mentors: one clinician and one medicine student. They will have the opportunity to contact them and ask them questions throughout the Pathways programme via an online mentoring platform Brightside.

All costs including travel, accommodation, food and activities are covered by the Trust and our partners which means it is completely free of charge for students to attend.

To find out more from two of current medicine students who completed the Pathways programme you can watch our video on YouTube [here](#).

How can students apply?

To apply for the programme, students must:

- Attend, and have always attended, a state-funded, non-fee-paying school/college.
- Be in Year 12 at the start of the programme.
- Live within a reasonable commuting distance of the university you are applying to. This will normally be one hour's travel time each way.
- Meet certain other eligibility criteria – more information can be found on the Sutton Trust [website](#).
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The deadline for applications to the programme at Newcastle Monday 20th November.

Click [here](#) to apply now.

Med Start Event Launch – University of Sunderland

The University of Sunderland have introduced this new scheme for aspiring medicine students called Med Start.

QEHS has been selectively chosen to take part in the pilot year.

You are invited to join the online Med Start Launch Event where interested students, teachers or advisors can sign up to find out more about the scheme and what it has to offer. This will take place on October 26, 5.30pm. Please follow the link to [BOOK NOW](#).

Following the online launch event students can begin to submit an application form for the scheme, before the deadline on Friday 3 Nov, midnight.

Apprenticeships

The National Apprenticeship Show - North East

Tuesday 21 November 15.30pm-18.00pm - Utilita Arena, Arena Way, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE4 7NA.

The National Apprenticeship Show brings students together with employers and training providers offering all levels of Apprenticeships from intermediate, all the way through to Higher and Degree Apprenticeships. With Apprenticeships continually on the rise, there has never been a better time for students to become an Apprentice.

This event is really important for anyone considering the best route to take for them after Sixth Form. Students can apply for apprenticeships and university and then decide when they know more about the choices on offer to them.

Click on the QR code for more information.

Thinking about their **FUTURE?**

Post pandemic and at a time of uncertainty in our economy, has there ever been a more important time to showcase the opportunities that are available to our young people about to leave full time education?

The National Apprenticeship Show - North East is FREE to attend & the perfect event for School and College leavers, as well as young adults, to discover more about Apprenticeships, from entry level to higher and degree.



A promotional poster for the event. At the top, it says 'THE NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP SHOW' in large letters, with 'NORTH EAST' and '21-22 NOVEMBER 2023' below it. To the right, it says 'SUPPORTED BY' followed by the Nissan logo and the Army logo with the text 'ARMY BE THE BEST'. The main text in the center reads 'Parent/Carer/Individual EVENING OPENING' in large blue letters, followed by 'TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER' in red, '15:30 - 18:00' in red, and 'UTILITA ARENA, NEWCASTLE' in blue. At the bottom, there is a close-up photo of a young woman with curly hair looking up, and a QR code on the right side.

Careers and Work Experience

Newcastle Hospitals - Careers Open Day - Saturday 21 October

RVI, Education Centre. NE1 4LP

This event will give students, parents, and guardians the opportunity to meet and chat with Trust staff members across all departments, both clinical and non-clinical. We will also have representation from local universities, youth charity The Prince's Trust and public access to the Simulation Centre!

The day will also include talks from a cross-section of departments from 10:30am. They include:

- Work experience and apprenticeships
- Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health Professionals
- Dentistry
- Pharmacy
- Radiology

You don't need to need register for the event, just turn up on the day! If you have any questions, please contact nuth.careerevents@nhs.net