Sixth Form Weekly News - The Headlines:

- A reminder of the procedure for if teacher is not in your lesson: the teacher will have set work to complete and unless another arrangement has been agreed, you are to remain in that lesson.

- Uniform - It is a requirement to wear a blazer for all students. If you forget a blazer, please go to Mrs Pasa. These should not be left in your car!

- Lanyards- these must be always worn. It is a safeguarding requirement. It is the same for staff.

- TSS – to reiterate:
  1) TSS is for Silent Study – this means that people in the booths also need to be quiet. If you want to chat, or work on a project together, please use the canteen or the common room.
  2) There is a seating plan in place for a reason. By now, you know who you sit with, so please stick to it and don't try to sit with other people. The actual location of the table may change where you sit BUT the people should remain the same.
  3) Sit in the seating plan immediately at the beginning of the session – treat this like any other lesson. You should not be socialising in the booths when the session has started
  4) Please sit in a professional manner – not with legs up on the seats or benches.

- If you know you are going to be absent from a lesson for a test, trip or appointment, it is courteous to email the teacher and explain you will be absent. You will be expected to catch up on missed work.

- Please remember to record your absence on Class charts by 8.45am so it can be picked up by attendance

- Microsoft Form for signing in and signing out can be found here - https://forms.office.com/e/rYHXm0Z7pC. Please remember that you must be signed in with your school email address. You also should go to Mrs Pasa to sign in.

Upcoming dates:

- Wednesday 31st January – UCAS Deadline
- Monday 5th – Thursday 8th February – School Musical
- Friday 9th February – End of Term

PSHE schedule

School week	Date	Period
Term 3, Week 6	09/02/24	P2

Advanced notice – Term 4 PSHE sessions are as follows		
School week	Date	Period
Term 4, Week 1	20/2/24	P4
Term 4, Week 2	26/2/24	P5
Term 4, Week 3	7/3/24	P4
Term 4, Week 4	12/3/24	P3
Term 4, Week 5	20/3/24	P4
Term 4, Week 6	27/3/24	P3

Year 12 and Year 13 News

Take time this weekend to work out where you're at and what you need to build your energy for your final week.

- What's going well?
- What do you need to do this weekend to give you energy for the final week ahead?

Taking care of yourself is a key part of keeping motivated and finding momentum at this tricky time of year.

If you're struggling to build momentum, breaking the big picture down into a smaller focus is a great way to stay motivated. Year 13 students were encouraged to complete a WOOP this week to help with this. Give it a go – you might find it empowering.

Specific area of focus:		
WOOP	Questions	Answers
Wish	• What is your most important wish or concern between now and Easter? • Pick a wish that feels challenging but that you can reasonably fulfil.	
Outcome	• If your wish is fulfilled, where would that leave you? • What would be the best, most positive outcome? • How would fulfilling your wish make you feel?	
Obstacle	• What is it within you that holds you back from fulfilling your wish? It might be an emotion, an irrational belief, or a bad habit.	
Plan	• What can you do to overcome your obstacle? • Identify one action you can take or one thought you can think to overcome your obstacle. • Make the following plan for yourself: • "If… (obstacle), then I will … (action or thought)."	

Careers

For Year 12s interested in Medicine and Dentistry
Here are some potential exciting virtual work experience opportunities:

Allied Health Mentor - series of virtual work experience days over 6 months - starting this Sunday 4th Feb – cost £10 per session. You can do the whole 6 months or as many sessions as you like
In each virtual session, you will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. They will gain a unique insight into how patients interact with a variety of healthcare professionals and what it's like to work in an NHS multidisciplinary team.

The different sessions include: Nursing, Midwifery, Paramedicine, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Dietetics, Radiography, Prosthetics and Orthotics, Speech and Language Therapy & Pharmacy.

Once you have registered, you will be emailed links to your virtual work experience portals. You are awarded a Work Experience Certificate for every session they complete. Those who complete the full 6-month programme will be awarded a Highly Commended Reference from the Presidents of Allied Healthcare Mentor. These are fantastic additions to CVs and UCAS applications. You can register at any time throughout the 6-month programme using the link below. Places are £10 a session to cover administrative and technological costs.

https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/

Medic Mentor – a free conference followed by a free 6 month virtual experience – for students and parents to attend. You must be equipped with a working camera and microphone.
By attending a Get Into Medicine or Get Into Dentistry Virtual Conference, you then get immediate access to a FREE 6-month medical or 4-month dental virtual work experience programme. Those who attend a Get Into Conference and complete the work experience programme will receive a 'Highly Commended' reference from the Presidents at Medic Mentor which helps with UCAS and CVs.

Here are the next dates for the **Get Into Medicine conferences:**
Saturday 3rd February, 9:30am - 3:30pm
Sunday 4th February, 9:30am - 3:30pm
Saturday 10th February, 9:30am - 3:30pm

and the Get Into Dentistry conference date:
Saturday 24th February, 9:30am - 3:30pm

You can find out more here:
https://medicmentor.org/university-hospitals-birmingham-trust-virtual-work-experience/

And you can register here:
Medical Registration Link: https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9Iwk6/shry7MZYtt3MGPjvO
Dental Registration Link: https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9Iwk6/shrBuiR7SBAcC19kE

For Year 12s

When applying to university or for apprenticeships, it can help your application if you have completed **super-curricular activities**. These can include Summer Schools, Subject Masterclasses, Webinars, Subject Tasters, Essay Competitions, Taster Days, Conferences, and more.

Please see below a list of activities that you can take part in to boost your personal statement and UCAS.

SUMMER SCHOOLS with UNIVERSITIES

Attending a Summer School can sometimes also mean a contextual offer from that university

UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL

Residential Summer School - Sutton Trust: https://www.tfaforms.com/4976843

Virtual Summer School **(apply by 11th March)**: http://tinyurl.com/yy6cspew

UNIVERSITY OF GLOUCESTERSHIRE (apply by 6th May)

https://www.glos.ac.uk/outreach/summer-residentials/

KINGS COLLEGE LONDON (apply by 14th Feb)

https://www.kcl.ac.uk/summer

SUMMER EXPERIENCES WITH EMPLOYERS

Early Careers / Career Shapers with **Deloitte**: http://tinyurl.com/m9zxvudr

TASTER SESSIONS AND MASTERCLASSES

GRESHAM COLLEGE

Gresham College offers a wide range of online 1 hour taster subjects including Law, Politics, History, Science and many more... https://www.gresham.ac.uk/

THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE - some are online and some are in person. Please check out the list here: http://tinyurl.com/2p9b9pef

THE UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD – find out more about the 7 Study Days you can attend on different subjects. The deadline to apply for each Study Day is a month before the event meaning you need to apply for the one on 6th March by 6th Feb https://www.sjc.ox.ac.uk/access-and-outreach/our-programmes-sjc/study-days/

ESSAY COMPETITIONS:

THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Magdalene College: http://tinyurl.com/3y9z2hax

Fitzwilliam College: http://tinyurl.com/3vz3m7vt

DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS – So many opportunities and information sessions to join!

#NAW2024 'Ask an Apprentice' - Wednesday, 7th February 2024 6.30 - 7.15pm Register here.

Bucks Skills Show - Wednesday 6th March 6th 2024 (16:00 - 20:00), Stoke Mandeville Stadium - To book tickets click here. For more information about the event click here.

AstraZeneca - Early Career Opportunities - Deadline: 11th February - Find out more here.

Solicitor Apprenticeships with CMS

Virtual event: Monday 5th February 2024 16:30 – 17:30 - Sign up here.

In-person event: Open Evening in London - Tuesday 6th February 2024 16:30 – 19:00 - Sign up **here.**

Deloitte: BrightStart Apprenticeships - Apply http://tinyurl.com/m9zxvudr

GES - Economics Degree Apprenticeship – Deadline 12th Feb - Find out more here.

GSR (Government Social Research) - Social Research Degree Level Apprenticeship – Deadline 28th Feb - Find out more here.

IBM Apprenticeships - Accepting Applications soon - Opening Monday 5th of February 2024 - Level 4 Junior Management Consultant, DevOps and Test; Opening Thursday 8th of February 2024 (open for one day only) **-** Level 6 Digital and Technology Solutions Degree. Register your interest here.

JLR (Jaguar Land Rover)

Level 3, 4 and 6 Appprenticehsip Programmes are now open – Deadline 29th March (click here to apply):

Marsh McLennan (Risk & Strategy) - Apprenticeship opportunities - Apply here.

Martin Baker - Mechanical Engineering Apprenticeships – Deadline 25th Feb - (Level 3, Level 4 and Level 6/degree apprenticeships) - Apply here.

MI5 - Cyber Specialist Development Programme - Apply here.

Microsoft - Various Apprenticeships - Click here to apply.

National Audit Office - Apprenticeship Opportunities Webinar - 20 Feb 2024 6:30-7:15pm - Register **here.**

National Grid - Apprenticeships in Engineering - Apply **here.**

RHS - Putting the 'Green' in Green Skills: Discover Plant-Based Careers in Horticulture - Wednesday 5th March 2024 6:30-7:15pm - Webinar - Hear from people working at the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) about finding your career in horticulture. You will also get to hear of opportunities to gain more practical experience prior to looking for entry-level positions and training at the RHS, such as work experience, volunteering, and paid internships in the Royal Horticultural Society's world-class garden and science teams. Register here.

BMW and Rolls-Royce - Level 2, 3, 4 and 6 Apprenticeships - Apply here.

Schneider Electric - Apprenticeship Roles - Register your interest here.

Warner Bros. Discovery's National Apprenticeship Week Online Event - Championing Apprenticeships - Tuesday 6th February at 6:00pm. Register here.

Bucks Skills Hubs - Apprenticeship Opportunities - Click here for more detail.

Rate My Apprenticeship View the latest Apprenticeship opportunities: https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/

Find an Appprenticeship: https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

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Reminder of e-mails sent to Year 12

PATHWAY CTM

HOME SCHOOLS EMPLOYERS EVENTS OPPORTUNITIES BLOG CONTACT

Thu 8 Feb | 18:00 - 19:00

Register

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Date: 27 Jan 2024

Location: Maidenhead, ENG, GB, SL6 3UD

Company: MHA

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MHA Great Futures - National Work Experience Programme- Thames Valley

The MHA Great Futures National Work Experience programme is designed for Year 12 students looking for a week's work experience placement with a leading professional service firm. The programme provides opportunities to expand students' knowledge of professional services, explore a variety of departments including accounts, audit and, tax as well as learn more about the fantastic opportunities available at MHA.

Who are we?

We're a dedicated team of like-minded accountancy professionals. Our clients range from top fashion retailers, leisure & hospitality businesses to renewable energy enterprises and we get involved in issues that affect gaming developers and motorsports engineers.

We are ranked among the UK's top 13 accountancy firms, combining high levels of technical expertise with the kind of p
smaller firms.

In 2020, we won the Best Advisory Services category of the new Business Resilience Awards, organised by Accountanc
Firm of the Year, Tax Team of the Year and Graduate and Non-Graduate programme of the Year at the British Accountar
branded, and we grew substantially with a few high-profile mergers.

YEAR 12 STUDY DAYS:

Inspire Study Days are immersive, subject-specific events that take place at St John's College, and enable you to experience what it is like to study your chosen subject at university. You will have the chance to meet Oxford tutors and current students in the subject that you are thinking of studying.

St John's inspire programme

2024 STUDY DAYS:

21 FEB	6 MAR	17 APR	27 APR	1 MAY	10 MAY	5 JUN	12 JUN
Geography	Maths & Computer Science	History & History of Art	Medicine & Biomedical sciences (Virtual)	Classics*	English*	Chemistry	Modern Languages

FREE for Year 12 Students from Non-Selective State Schools!

*Classics and English Subject Exploration Days are open to pupils from Independent Schools

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP

Applications will close 4 weeks before each Study Day

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GWS Technical Engineering Apprenticeships - Ipswich

Job ID: 152373 | Posted: 24-Jan-2024 | Ipswich - England - United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland , Stowmarket - England - United of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

GWS Technical Engineering Apprenticeship - Newcastle

Job ID: 152374 | Posted: 24-Jan-2024 | Newcastle upon Tyne - England - United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Apprenticeship Opportunity Year 12

Mon 5 Feb | 17:30 - 19:00

Deloitte Apprenticeship Insight Evening

Start your first steps towards a thriving career with Deloitte's apprenticeship insight evening.

If you are in year 12 or would like to learn more about apprenticeships and are interested in finance and/or consulting then this event is perfect for you!

By joining Deloitte, you'll be connected to inspiring colleagues across the globe. They offer a huge range of career opportunities, where you can choose your own impact and build a future that suits you.

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What will I get out of it?

•An insight into what programmes Deloitte offer.
•A spotlight on their Tax Consulting BrightStart Apprenticeship Programme.
•Application support and advice direct from Deloitte's early talent team.
•Valuable experience to help you WIN with your applications!!

Event Details:

Abbots House, Abbey Street, Reading, RG1 3BD

5th February | 5:30pm-7pm

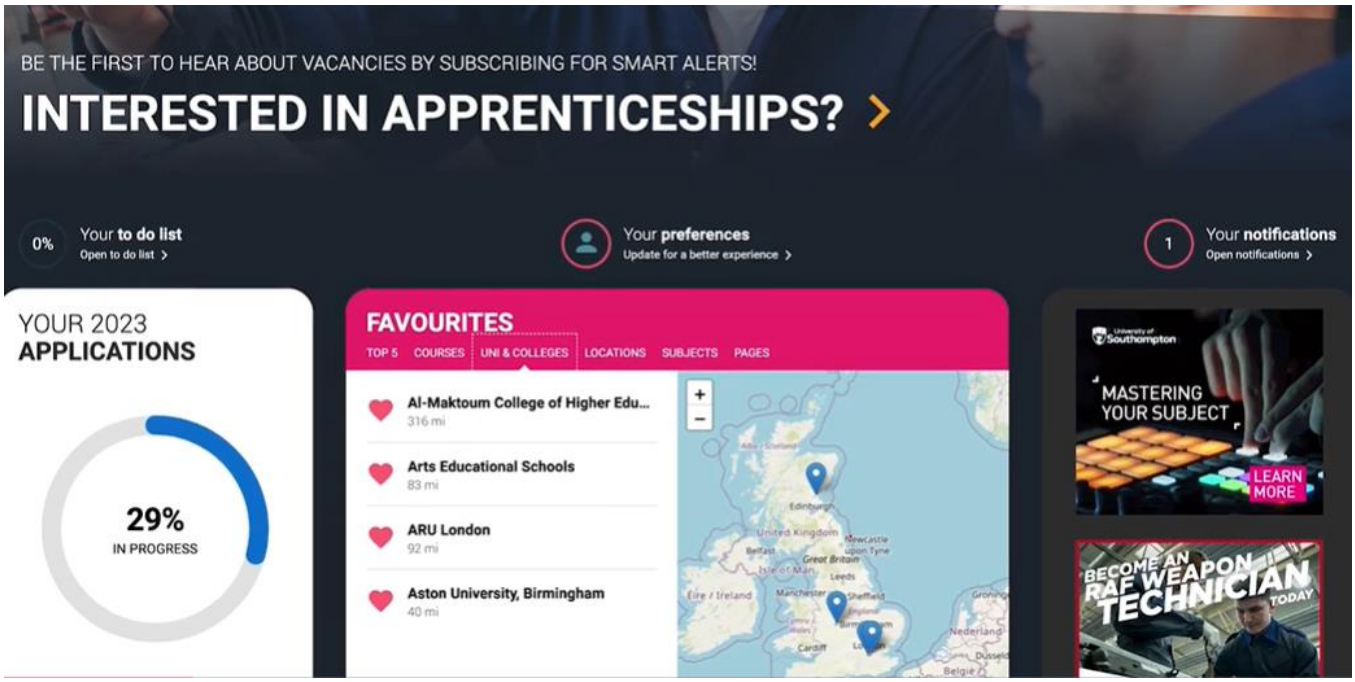
Here is the registration link: https://pathwayctm.com/event/deloitte-application-clinic/

UCAS deadlines for the 2024 cycle

2024 ENTRY KEY DATES

2 May 2023	UCAS' search tool displays 2024 courses.
9 May 2023	The adviser portal opens for 2024 entry. From this date, you can set up your adviser portal ready for your students to link to your centre.
16 May 2023	Undergraduate applications open for 2024 entry. From this date, applicants can start their applications and send them to you for references and approval.
12 July 2023	Conservatoire applications open for 2024 entry. From this date, applicants can register, pay, and send their applications.
5 September 2023	Completed undergraduate applications can be submitted to UCAS.
2 October 2023 18:00 (UK time)	Application deadline for conservatoire music applications. Applications for dance, drama, and musical theatre courses may have a different deadline – check conservatoires' websites for information.
16 October 2023 18:00 (UK time)	Deadline for applications to the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, and for most courses in medicine, dentistry, and veterinary medicine / science. The reference must be completed before the application can be sent to us.
31 January 2024 18:00 (UK time)	Equal consideration date for applications for most undergraduate courses. The reference must be completed before the application can be sent to us. Deadline for most conservatoire undergraduate dance, drama or musical theatre courses. Check on the specific course to be sure.
28 February 2024	Extra opens – applicants who have used all five choices and are not holding any offers may be able to add another choice in their application.

Everything you need is on your UCAS HUB



Opportunities to engage with

- The 2023 Gresham College public speaking competition will be launched soon. Keep an eye on the following page for updates - https://www.gresham.ac.uk/schools-and-colleges/gresham-competition

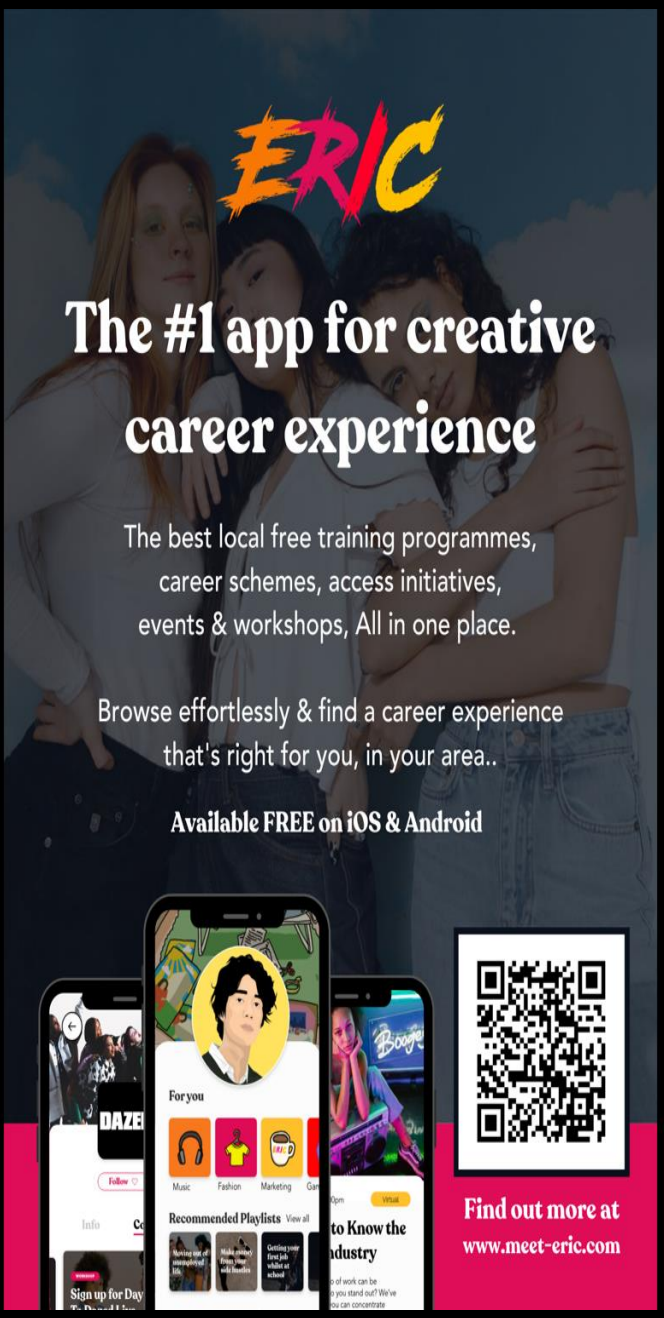
- Upcoming talks from Speakers4Schools can be found here - https://www.speakersforschools.org/upcoming-broadcasts/

- Upcoming careers and employment opportunities through Speakers4Schools can be found here - https://www.canva.com/design/DAFgXaCPtDs/pnRPUb84yhbZYuq85lM4fg/view#1

- Work experience opportunities over half-term can be found here - https://www.canva.com/design/DAFt31HgCco/1d5hlm6y_XFLXmAvroSYKg/view#1

- Sign up to https://pathwayctm.com/student-register/ for free to engage with opportunities from the UK's top employers.

App to explore for the creative industries



What are the 16 Creative Industries?

1. Advertising, Marketing & PR
2. Architecture
3. Art & Crafts
4. Design
5. Digital Media
6. Fashion
7. Film & TV
8. Gaming
9. Media
10. Music
11. Podcasts, Radio & Audio
12. Photography & Videography
13. Publishing
14. Theatre & Performing Arts
15. Writing & Journalism
16. VFX & Animation

Isn't the Creative Industries just for music, drama & art students?

No, not at all! All subjects & skills feed into the Creative Industries. E.g.:

- Historical Film & TV productions often employ historians as script fact-checkers
- The heritage & museums sector requires chemists to help restore artefacts
- VFX & Gaming require mathematical skills to code & create special effects & games

These are just a few examples of the thousands of jobs people don't know exist in the creative industries

Are there lots of creative jobs available?

Yes, literally millions!

3.3 million people work in creative jobs in the UK

There will be 1 million additional creative jobs by 2030

Find out more at
www.meet-eric.com

Our school communication systems within the Sixth Form

The following platforms and systems are used across the school. Please get in touch (sixthform.admin@furzeplatt.net) if you have any issues with these systems.

- Parentmail – this is how information about the school will be communicated home and acts as a payment platform for trips etc.
- Classcharts – this is an attendance and behaviour monitoring tool and the only way to report absences. This must be done by 8.45am daily.
- Go4Schools – this is how reports will get home about working at grades, attitude to learning and predicted grades.
- Parents' Evening booking system – this will go live nearer the time of parents' evening and we will be in contact with regards to this.