



05 September 2019

Dear Year 13 students (and parents for information),

On **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019** we will be holding two talks for those students who are applying to Oxbridge or to a course at another university which will require an interview as part of the admissions process, or who are applying for a degree in Medicine, Veterinary Science or Dentistry.

Jane Marshall from Optimising Futures has 16 years of experience in admissions at both LSE and Imperial and has a huge amount of knowledge to share.

**At lunchtime, from 13.30-14.10 in the Upper Library**, our future Medics, Vets and Dentists are invited to a Medical Ethics Workshop on typical ethical questions students could face either in traditional or MMI university interviews. After tackling the tricky question 'Why do you want to be a doctor?', Jane will look at ethical questions, scenarios and dilemmas and students will discuss the most appropriate responses using what they know about the basic principles of being a good doctor as well as their own common sense and empathy for others.

**After lunch, from 14.25-15.30 in the Upper Library**, Oxbridge, other interviewees and MDV students are invited to a talk on 'Preparing for Effective Interviews'. This will be an interactive presentation on developing interview skills and tackling tricky interview questions. Key points will be covered and then the group will look at subject-specific questions, based on the subjects our students are applying for, to see the level of information required in their answers. There will also be an opportunity for a Q&A session at the end. **If you are not Oxbridge or MDV but wish to attend this talk, please see me immediately and by Monday 08 September at the very latest, to book your place.**

Finally, Jane has offered us the opportunity to hold mock interviews in the morning. Each session will be 20 minutes long, and Jane will give constructive feedback and suggestions for improving your answers throughout. **The cost will be £25.00 and there will only be 10 slots available which will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis when released on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 3.00pm, on ParentPay.** If you wish to book a slot but miss out, please see me in the Curriculum Support Office as I will be keeping a reserves list. If there is enough interest, we will book a second day to give more students the opportunity.

If you have any questions, please see me (or Miss Munday) as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

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