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WELCOME BACK

Welcome back everyone to the start of a new and different term. We are excited to welcome our new careers team member, Mrs Sadia Azad. For this term Mrs Azad will be concentrating on UCAS applications and from January she will be leading the school careers programme. If you would like to contact her she will be in school Monday to Thursday mornings based in the Careers Room, or email sva@rgshw.com. She is looking forward to meeting you all! Mrs Booth will be assisting her with the careers administration so if you have any questions please contact her at seb@rgshw.com. We have an open-door policy for boys to come and discuss any questions they have regarding potential college, university and career choices they are looking to make. Students are also warmly welcome to email us to make an appointment.

CAREERS TALKS

Careers Talks

Please sign up to the open “Careers Talk” Team to find out about careers talks this term and to listen to webinars and tips from OWs and others about their higher education choices and career paths. This team is especially useful for Sixth Formers looking to make choices that may link in with future career paths. Link here: [Careers Talks](#)

- Price Waterhouse Coopers – Accounting and Technology - September – Various online talks and information on careers with PWC
- Peter Blaseby – Engineering – Tuesday 6th October
- Tamara Jennings – RAF Lawyer 20th October

- Polly Jacob – Friday 27th November 1.30pm - A career with Softcat, a Marlow based IT infrastructure provider
- Neil Record – A Career in Finance Date tbc
- Talks from various OWs including: Rob Eyres – Studying English at Durham University and a career in Corporate Law, Luke Hashman – Studying Modern Foreign Languages at Southampton University and a career in Teaching

- Zendesk

One of the world's leading customer services platforms are hosting a number of careers talks covering creative careers with a focus on product design, design systems focus, product design management and UX research as well as non-traditional creative careers. Please see attached links to sign up

Wednesday September 9th 8am

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/zendesk-creative-presents-defining-creative-careers-event-1-tickets-117340555761>

22nd September 5pm

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/zendesk-creative-presents-non-traditional-creative-career-paths-event-2-tickets-118586201521>

- Learn Lounge by Springpod have launched an interactive platform featuring career stories and guidance from experts in different fields such as: music photography, polar exploration, cricket, business and lots more.

<https://www.springpod.co.uk/learn-lounge/#>

PWC Virtual Events

PWC are running a number of virtual events covering topics such as: studying for a degree with PWC, starting your career in business or technology and apprenticeship opportunities. Please follow the link below for more information.

<https://www.careersschools.pwc.co.uk/Events/Filter/IsExpired/false/Event%20Programme/Virtual>

RECOMMENDED CAREERS RESOURCES

National Careers Service

NCS: Call 0800 100 900 to speak to an adviser. Lines are open from 8am to 10pm, 7 days a week. The service is free.

All students should contact the National Careers Service to speak to an independent career's advisor. They will discuss higher education and career pathways and send a written action plan. For further information, see

<https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/>

e-Clips

Find out more about pathways, careers and LMI (labour market information) with this useful resource:

<https://www.eclips-online.co.uk/> NEW Password for RGS: yiophe12

Kudos

All Y10-13 have a Kudos account. Kudos can give career ideas based on a student's likes and dislikes. It also has a wealth of information on pathways and LMI. School licence code: readcode80. <https://kudos.cascaid.co.uk/#/>

UNIVERSITIES

UCAS Website

For the latest information on this year's applications and general information on universities and courses.

<https://www.ucas.com/>

UCAS Virtual Exhibitions

This is to help students focus their research within their subject area. Topics include medicine, dentistry, veterinary, law, maths, science, computing, teaching, engineering and creative arts.

[UCASExhibitions](#)

What Career and University – Live Virtual Event 6-7 November

<https://www.whatcareerlive.co.uk/london>

Tips on Writing Your Personal Statement

A step by step guide on how to write an outstanding personal statement with links to other useful websites

[PersonalStatement](#)

How to Prepare for a University Interview

- Consider the type of interview you can expect. Your interview may be done virtually.
- Think about how you can stand out.
- Re-read your personal statement.
- Re-read the course information.
- Plan some answers to common university interview questions.
- Think of some questions to ask the interviewer.
- Know your subject.
- Practise with a friend.
- Dress appropriately.
- Smile.

10 Common University Interview Questions

<https://www.timeshighereducation.com/student/advice/10-common-college-interview-questions-and-how-answer-them>

Oxford University Interview Questions

<https://www.timeshighereducation.com/student/news/can-you-answer-these-oxford-university-interview-questions>

UCAS Application Support

Sidney Sussex College Cambridge has created a series of information and guidance videos on choosing subjects and universities and preparing to make competitive applications to universities. In the coming weeks there will be additional content on writing first drafts of personal statements and preparing for admissions assessments.

[UCASSupport](#)

Cambridge University CAMSTART Academy

The Camstart Academy has been developed at the University of Cambridge with the guidance of successful social entrepreneurs with experience building million-dollar businesses and social innovation experts from Dalberg. The academy guides you through the process of becoming a social entrepreneur. By enrolling in the Academy, you get access to videos and live workshops from guest lecturers. The Academy is tailored to students aged 14-19. The programme is self-paced, giving you the flexibility to complete it alongside school. www.camstart.org

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Y12 applying to Oxford, Cambridge, Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science

Please join the Oxbridge and MDV 2020-21 Team. It is an open Team, so just join it to access the latest news on OMDV applications for 2021. [OMDV Team Link](#)

Nottingham University Online

Find out what it is like to live and learn at the University of Nottingham with their live open day, subject sessions and live lecture series.

[NottinghamLive](#)

Virtual Open Day Calendar

Plan your university visits: <https://www.opendays.com/calendar/>

Channel Talent: University Course and Subject Interactive Webinars

<https://www.channeltalent.co.uk/events/list/>

How to Choose an Online Degree

[On-LineDegree](#)

USA Universities

A-List Free Webinars for USA University Advice and information on SAT/ACT bootcamps

<https://www.alisteducation.com/uk/courses-events/>

Discussions

Talks just for you and what interests you <https://www.ted.com>

What's your big question? <https://explore.org/>

COLLEGES

Bucks College LIVE Events

Bucks College is unable to run their usual open day events, so they have moved them online. Live events are being held for all subjects which you will need to register for at www.buckscollegegroup.ac.uk

The Henley College

Henley College are offering subject taster events on-line

<https://www.henleycol.ac.uk/>

Buckinghamshire New University

Year 13 Level 3 Journalism workshops for 2020 will take place on the following dates:

Monday October 19, Monday November 16, Monday December 14

APPRENTICESHIPS

MOD Level 4 Commercial Apprenticeship, High Wycombe

[MODApprenticeship](#)

Apprenticeship Information Websites

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/higher-and-degree-apprenticeships>

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/>

<https://www.prospects.ac.uk/jobs-and-work-experience/apprenticeships/degree-apprenticeships>

Buckinghamshire Apprenticeships

Apprenticeship opportunities in Buckinghamshire can be found at:

<https://wannabebucks.org/>

<https://centreforapprenticeships.co.uk/>

Useful Apprenticeship Info for 2020

https://amazingapprenticeships.com/app/uploads/2020/04/ASK-Brochure-Digital_2020-2.pdf?utm_source=mailchimp&utm_medium=ask%20offer&utm_campaign=aaa%20july

[UCAS Apprenticeships News](#)

Top Tips for Preparing for On-line Interviews

[VirtualInterviewTips](#)

UCAS - Apprenticeships

Having second thoughts about uni? Make sure you're aware of the options. You can find the latest apprenticeship opportunities using the UCAS apprenticeship search tool. www.ucas.com

Apprenticeship Vacancies

Current vacancies advertised here with companies such as EY, Nestle, Softcat, Savills

<https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/>

WORK EXPERIENCE

Investin

Immersive live on-line work experience weekend programmes and autumn internships for ages 12+. Careers include medicine, law, engineering, computing, banking, publishing, psychology, politics and more. Costs detailed on the website. <https://investin.org/>

GAP YEAR

How to plan for a GAP year in a socially distanced world

[GAPYear](#)

For GAP year advice you can email info@aventure.co.uk

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION

The Labour Market

Information about youth employment and the labour market can be found here:

<https://www.cipd.co.uk/knowledge/work/trends/labour-market-outlook>

<https://www.youthemployment.org.uk/> |

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