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RGS News

It's Spring Time in Careers

Thank you to the Degree Apprentices

A huge “thank you” to Drew Padfield OW at The Dyson Institute and Omar Ahmed from CISCO for a very insightful talk into what it is like to be a degree apprentice. If you would like to see a recording of this talk, please email Mrs Booth seb@rgshw.com.



Thank you to Rayden Solicitors – Law Work Experience

Well done to Keshav Krish Anand and Billy Kucera who won the Rayden’s Solicitors Case Competition and congratulations to Kai Bangar, Mateusz Lenczewski and Haroon Shah who were also chosen to attend a mock trial at a London Barrister’s Chambers, hosted by Rayden. It was a fantastic day trip to London, enjoyed by everyone. To find out more about Rayden Solicitors please see here:

[Family Law & Divorce Solicitors in Hertfordshire & Bucks - Rayden Solicitors UK](#)

UCAS Exhibition Trip Year 12 - 22nd March 2022

For those who have signed up for this trip, please remember to register for your ticket before the event. Details on the letter sent out on 1/2/22. <https://eventbookings.ucas.com/sr/event.aspx?e=228>. You should click on ‘Join group booking’ and then ‘I am a student’ and enter the group booking reference: **UCASBKN554269**.

Careers Professional 1-2-1 Advice in School (for Years 10-13)

If you would like an appointment with the independent Careers Adviser please email Mrs Azad (sva@rgshw.com) so that she can book this for you. This is a relaxed and informal opportunity to talk through future plans.

Careers Survey for Parents

Many thanks to all of you who have completed this already. If you haven’t yet done so, please help us to review our service by filling out this short form. Thank you. [CareersSurvey](#)

Upcoming Careers & Higher Education Talks

Monday 7th March – Entrepreneur **Jamie Gray**, OW and CEO Of Buddy Burst (Eco friendly promo products) - hosted by Business Studies, throughout lesson time

Tuesday 29th March - **Bath University** – Upper Library 1:25pm – open to everyone. Email Mrs Booth seb@rgshw.com to attend.

Summer Term “Inspire Assemblies” for Years 7-10. Guest speakers include Matt Birkett OW and F1 Race Track Engineer, Willow Herold from INVESTIN and Kam Lambert, previous RGS Head boy and US sports scholar

March Lectures with Gresham College

We would particularly advise current Year 12s to look at these as they may provide ideas for further reading and discussion as well as inspiration for personal statements and EPQs.

A huge array of topics including: Chris Whitty on Infections, Aliens in Science Fiction, Soviet Music in World War II, Human Rights in the UK and Commonwealth Caribbean, and Engaging in Climate Change.

<https://www.gresham.ac.uk/attend/>

Essay Competitions

These are open for entry, deadline 31st March. There are 14 categories open to Year 11 and 12 students (categories include Medicine, Engineering Innovation Challenge, Law, Architecture and more), with an additional option for U15s. These are free to enter. The 2021 Competitions saw over 1000 students enter internationally: these were judged by a team of specialist Oxbridge tutors, many of whom are academic supervisors at the university.

<https://www.mindsunderground.com/minds-underground-2022-competitions>

A Guide to Career Options 2022

Don't you just wish that all your Career options were in one handy place? Well, wish no more as the brand-new Guide to Career Options 2022 has just been released. This year the guide is better than ever.

[| Career Seeker Resources](#) | [Buckinghamshire Skills Hub \(bucksskillshub.org\)](http://Buckinghamshire Skills Hub (bucksskillshub.org))

Henley College – Applications for Sixth Form

[Apply Online](#) | [Application Form](#) | [The Henley College](#)

EVENTS

Bucks Skills Show 2022 - Wednesday 9th March

THE Bucks Careers event of the Year! With over 120 businesses/organisations attending, The Bucks Skills Show is excited to welcome young people and parent/carers, to a venue synonymous with excellence and innovation, Westcott Venture Park. On Wednesday 9th March doors will be open from 4.00 – 7.00pm to welcome young people and parent/carers.

[Bucks Skills Show 2022 - Buckinghamshire Business First \(bbf.uk.com\)](http://Bucks Skills Show 2022 - Buckinghamshire Business First (bbf.uk.com))

UCAS Discovery Event 7th March 2022

Explore Universities, Employers and Colleges, find out about apprenticeships and understand if they might be right for you, get advice on student loans, personal statements and hear from students.

[UCAS/Discovery](#) | [Exhibition](#) | [UCAS](#)



Unifrog Student Next Steps Fair – 8th March 2022 5pm

[415 Next Steps Student Fair - Upcoming - Webinars - Unifrog](#)

Careers Seeker and Educator Events in Bucks and Online

[Bucks Skills Hub](#)

UNIVERSITY

Student Finance England Guidance for Undergraduates

Sign up for 2022/2023 Student Finance Updates

<https://studentfinance.campaign.gov.uk/>

Meet The Russell Group Virtual Event – Wednesday 27 April

Register here:

[Russell Group - April 2022 \(vfairs.com\)](https://vfairs.com)



Student Finance

Changes to student loans have recently been announced and will affect anyone entering Higher Education from 2023 onwards.

- The student loan interest rate will be set at **RPI+0% for new borrowers** starting courses **from academic year 2023/24**.
- The tuition fee cap will be frozen at **£9,250** for a further two years - up to and including **academic year 24/25**.
- For **new borrowers starting courses from September 2023** the repayment threshold will be set at **£25,000 until 2026-27**.
- The **loan write-off period will be extended from 30 years to 40** for new borrowers starting from **September 2023**.

The University of Sheffield Philosophy Essay Competition

[Secondary school philosophy essay competition 2022 | Philosophy | The University of Sheffield](#)

Exeter University – Education Partnership with RGS

We were delighted to welcome the School Engagement Officer for Exeter University, Lucy Yarde, and student Frankie Perren-Smart who spoke to current Year 12s & 13s as well as a few younger students. 1-2-1 sessions were made available for our current offer holders. For more information and to check on the capped courses for 2022 entry please email Mrs Azad sva@rgshw.com

Exeter Scholars

Exeter Scholars is a **free** programme which provides students with the opportunity find out more about university. Further information about Exeter Scholars, including the entry points and eligibility criteria, can be found on our [webpages](#).

The Year 10 Residential Pathway allows students to:

- Participate in a two-week virtual residential programme (taking place from 19th - 29th April 2022)

- Access a bespoke online platform and find out more about university through a range of interactive courses and activities,
- Live chat with Student Ambassadors and ask questions about university life
- 10-minute pre-recorded presentation available, providing an overview of the programme and the application process. This can be found [here](#). (Please ensure you select the **NATIONAL** option).
- The eligibility criteria, which be found [here](#). The application form can be found [here](#). The deadline for applications is **Friday 18 March 2022**

S.P.A.C.E – Supporting Young People through School and Exams – Free Webinars for Parents and Carers

Introduction to Higher Education - Wednesday 23rd March 7-8pm

Study and Recall – Wednesday 30th March 7-8pm

Student Finance – (University of Reading) Wednesday 6th April 7-8pm

How to Apply to University – (University of Oxford) Wednesday 27th April 7-8pm

Go to www.studyhigher.ac.uk/space

WORK EXPERIENCE

Free On-Line Conservation Courses

<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/projects/explorer-courses/>

Engineering Courses for Students

<https://smallpeicetrust.org.uk/timetable>

Architecture Workshops for Students

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

Whipsnade Zoo Academy

Ever wondered what it would be like to work with exotic animals? Then wonder no more. Presenting, the Zoological Society of London's Zoo Academy! Held at Whipsnade Zoo and designed for those aged 15-17 wishing to become Vets, Vet nurses, Zookeepers or pursue other animal science related careers and studies, these five-day courses allow students to gain experience and knowledge in working with the Zoological Society of London.

<https://www.zsl.org/zsl-whipsnade-zoo-academy-15-17-year-olds>

Find Out More About Being an Actuary

<https://www.actuaries.org.uk/>

Virtual Work Experience Hub with Barclays

On-line work experience with Barclays Banks and useful resources for students to get workplace ready.

<https://barclayslifeskills.com/virtual-work-experience/>



InvestIN Work Experience Programmes

InvestIN are delivering programmes both in-person and live online this spring term, to accommodate students regardless of their situation. 10% discount code RGSW10. Experiences include: Engineering, Banking, Computer Science, Medicine, Law, Filmmaking, Psychology and lots more.... www.investin.org

Summer School Work Experience with MindsUnderground (Cost Applies)

<https://www.mindsunderground.com/virtual-summer-schools>

New look website for Speakers for Schools

Free virtual work experience opportunities in a wide range of sectors – search here:

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/experience-2/youth-opportunities/>

APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeship TEAM

If anyone would like to join our school apprenticeship TEAM with updates on apprenticeship vacancies, opportunities, talks and resources please email Mrs Booth seb@rgshw.com.



Apprenticeships with MI5

Do you have what it takes to be a Secret Agent? It's a little less James Bond than you think, but a whole lot more accessible at the same time. Working for Mi5 means you play a part in gathering intelligence from within the UK that helps to protect the country from a range of serious threats - everything from terrorism to organised crime, cyber-threats to espionage. Technology sits at the heart of careers in Mi5 and enables you to disrupt serious threats to national security.

[School Leaver Opportunities | MI5 - The Security Service | MI5 - The Security Service](#)



KPMG Apprenticeships - Current Vacancies

Technology Engineering, Audit, Law, Business Services and Consulting

[Apprentice \(kpmgcareers.co.uk\)](http://Apprentice.kpmgcareers.co.uk)



Apprenticeships with Jaguar Landrover – Apply by March 2022

[Early Careers \(jaguarlandrovercareers.com\)](http://Early Careers (jaguarlandrovercareers.com))

Apprenticeship with Amazon

Apprenticeships at Amazon are now open for application.

Please see www.amazonapprenticeships.co.uk for apprenticeships in a range of areas including Business, Engineering and Creative.



Apprenticeships with Istock

Istock Manufacturing Trainee Programme & Engineering Apprenticeships

www.istockplc.co.uk/careers/all-our-vacancies

