

Welcome!

Our focus in Work Ready in recent weeks has been to work towards ensuring that all of our Year 11 leavers are placed for the next academic year, and once again we're on target to place every student on an appropriate post-16 course. As ever, this has involved a large amount of personalised support with students being assisted in thinking through their options, completing applications and otherwise exploring their next steps. If you feel that your student needs more support, please see contact details in the next section of this bulletin!

Work to prepare the Sixth Form space for September is now largely complete, with the Work Ready Hub now sitting proudly at the very centre of Sixth Form life. Lower down the school, Year 10 students are preparing for Work Experience later this term, and a group of keen Year 10s have been lucky enough to visit St Peter's Hospital for a glimpse into all sorts of NHS careers. Year 9 have had a series of careers talks, exploring the differences between A-Levels, T-Levels and Apprenticeships, with Royal Holloway University coming in last week to present on options after the age of 18. Year 8 can look forward to a Work Ready stock market day later this term, in which they will develop their business acumen, while Year 7 have been busily setting about exploring Unifrog.

What can I do to support my student?

All parents and carers - help us to improve Work Ready! We want to change the way we deliver some of our careers education and would like to hear from as many of you as possible about what we can do to make Work Ready even better for students and families. Please fill in [this survey](#) with any feedback at all!

All parents and carers - are you on Unifrog?! **Sign up [here](#) to access the same support and advice as your student. Code HVSHPARENT.**



Year 11 - Large numbers of apprenticeships are now being advertised for this year's school leavers. ***Please find a list of local vacancies at the bottom of this bulletin.***

Year 11- We will have a presence at results day in August, to help support any last minute changes of heart. ***If your student is already unsure about their plans for next year, please fill in [this form](#) to request help.***

Year 10 - Work Experience takes place in the week of July 10th - 14th. ***If you are arranging your own Work Experience for this summer, please check in with Mrs Kane to keep us up to date with your progress!***

Year 10 - Open Evenings start soon for 2024 entry into Sixth Forms and vocational colleges. You need to have applied by around October half term. ***Please look at the Open Evening details below, and attend a variety of different settings in order to weigh up your options for after Year 11.***

Year 9 - Students have had a number of presentations to help them think through their options for after Year 11. ***Please talk to your student about what they might be thinking about doing after their GCSEs.***

Years 7 & 8 - Encourage your student to explore their options on Unifrog! ***Search the careers library to see where their favourite subject could lead!***

Sixth Form Taster Day

We are holding a Sixth Form Taster Day on **Tuesday 4th July** and all students who have applied for 2023 will be invited to attend. A finalised programme for the day will be sent closer to the date of the event. The Taster Day is a valuable opportunity for students and teachers to meet each other and for students to be confident that the subjects they have chosen to study are appropriate. Students do not need to wear school uniform but appropriate smart, casual dress is required.

Sixth Form Summer Open Evening

We have another evening event planned for **Monday 10th July** for students and parents to come into the school and speak to teachers, see our new facilities and hear more about all the exciting things that will be on offer as part of our Sixth Form provision. We will write nearer to the time of this event with further details.



External Opportunities

These are a selection of the many external opportunities available to students with an interest in a particular career, industry or even specific employer. We will only list opportunities here that are free or that come with a very modest fee. These are all provided by reputable outside partners, but we can't take responsibility for the content! If you take part in any, please do send us feedback [here](#)!

Medical school application support

If your Year 11 student intends to go to medical school, they need to take the University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) in a year's time, at the end of Year 12.

Medic Mentor offers full support to aspiring medical and dental students and are holding a free virtual UCAT conference on Saturday June 3rd 10.30am - 2pm. Dr Hannah Orme will show students where and how to access the best UCAT revision resources, hand selected by doctors and UCAT experts. Dr Hannah will also provide a comprehensive guide to the UCAT exam, including:

- Introduction to UCAT
- Different sections of UCAT
- Example questions and how to answer them
- Common mistakes and pitfalls
- Ways of improving/practising speed reading and decision making elements
- When to book in your UCAT exams

Now is the perfect time for students to understand UCAT and the best methods of preparation. These conferences will not be recorded so please make sure that your students attend these vital sessions. These conferences are aimed at reducing the anxiety around the UCAT, guiding students on the best way to practise and record their success prior to exam day. Dr Hannah will provide her insider expertise as to how to succeed without burning out.

Students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian throughout the conference. One registration = a space for a student + their parent/guardian. There is no need to book twice.

You just need to fill out the short form below to register:

<https://airtable.com/shrFhrt8Q6y9uc4YV>

Aspiring Vets - sign up here!

Aspiring vets in years 10-12 are warmly invited to Dr James's and Dr Shannon's FREE VIRTUAL Get into Veterinary conference on:

Saturday 20th May 9:30am - 3pm.

This is a fantastic opportunity for anyone considering Vet School to get a real insight into the application process and what it's actually like to be a vet!

Students can register for the conference here:

<https://medicmentor.co.uk/online-get-into-veterinary-medicine-conference/>



Esports May half term camp - Guildford College

Activate Learning is running an esports Holiday Camp at Guildford College. They're offering what they describe as an engaging and educational environment for children interested in the world of gaming and game design, streaming and the use of social media channels, team building and puzzle solving as well as having some time to experience our state of the art esports facilities. Designed for both boys and girls, aged 11-16yrs, with any level of gaming skills.



Find more information and register here:

<https://guildford.activatelearning.ac.uk/events/detail/esports-may-half-term-holiday-camp-at-guildford-college-for-11-16yrs/>

Pinewood Studios Futures Festival

Are you considering a career in the film or TV industry?

Over 4,000 participants including students, teachers and career changers visited Pinewood Studios last year to meet employers and industry professionals, take part in workshops and attend panels. At the home of super spies, superheroes and galaxies far far away, we aim to inspire, engage and encourage you to consider careers in the screen industry. Free event - Saturday 25th November. Book here:



https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/pinewood-studios-futures-festival-2023-2166609?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=creatorshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=odclsxcollection&utm-source=cp&aff=escb&dm_i=290T,1Y8ZG,AWV0Q,2,6WE5Q,1

Local events

Brooklands College Open Event

Brooklands College

Brooklands College offers a wide range of vocational courses tailored to 16-18 year olds in impressive facilities. As one of our closest vocational colleges, a large proportion of the Hoe Valley Students that choose the vocational route go on to study at Brooklands. This open day is a great chance to explore the college, look at the unique learning environment and talk to course tutors. Sign up here:

<https://www.brooklands.ac.uk/event/open-event-weybridge-2/>

Apprenticeship Open Event

M.I.T.



Leading local apprenticeship provider MIT Skills is hosting an Apprenticeship Open Day on **Thursday 1st June from 10am to 12 noon.**

This is a great opportunity for students to find out more about apprenticeships, explore facilities and try some hands-on activities. They can currently place students in:

- Business
- Construction
- Sports Coaching
- Hair and Beauty
- Motor Vehicle

No booking needed, just turn up at: Unit 12-13 Camphill Industrial Estate, Camphill Road, West Byfleet KT14 6EW

Local Apprenticeship Vacancies (as at 17/05/2023)

These local opportunities are suitable for Year 11 students considering apprenticeship as an alternative to college or sixth form. These are current vacancies from a variety of sources.

Childcare

Early Years Apprentice - Toad Hall Nursery, Woking

Salary: £11,065.60

Number of Positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000134121>

Childcare apprenticeship - Childbase Partnership (Pennypot Nursery, Chobham)

Salary: £10,822.50

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000159347>

Childcare Apprenticeship - Ladybird Nursery, Godalming

Salary: £10982.40

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000098378>

Catering

Apprentice Chef - Holiday Inn, Guildford

Salary: £19,760.00

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000163908>

Apprentice Commis Chef - Compass Group, Chertsey

Salary: £24,856.00

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.compass-careers.co.uk/members/modules/job/detail.php?record=123370>

Hair and Beauty

Hairdressing Apprenticeship - Toni & Guy, Guildford

Salary: £10,982.40

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000103340>

Apprentice Hairdresser - Pure Salons, Lightwater

Salary: £10,845.12

Number of positions: 4

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000157755>

Automotive

Apprentice Autocare - APS, Brooklands

Salary: £10,000

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000157931>

Apprentice Autocare Technician - Peter Cooper, West Byfleet

Salary: £9,609.60

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000153269>

Ford Customer Service Apprenticeship - West Byfleet

Salary: £11,000.00

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000152367>

Healthcare

Customer Service Apprentice - Woodbridge Hill Surgery, Guildford

Salary: £14,625.00

Number of Positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000163538>

Pharmacy Assistant Apprentice - Touchwood Pharmacy, Camberley

Salary: £10,296.00

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000138318>

Apprentice dental nurse - BUPA, Guildford

Salary: £10,982.40

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000163688>

Care Assistant Apprenticeship - Care UK, Weybridge

Salary: £16,536.00

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000128217>

Leisure Industry

Leisure Team Member Apprenticeship - Godalming Leisure Centre

Salary: £16,640.00

Number of positions: 1

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000137454>