



ST KATHERINE'S CAREERS BULLETIN - ISSUE 1

Welcome - Welcome to the first St Katherine's Careers Bulletin. This monthly newsletter will provide you with updated information about careers, apprenticeships and university news, events, open days and opportunities relevant to our St Katherine's community.

Individual Guidance and Support - The St Katherine's Careers' Hub is located in the little glass office in the Sixth Form study area. Miss Gardiner and Miss Hayer are available there if you need any advice and guidance on anything careers related. If you would like a one to one careers meeting with the careers adviser please contact Miss Hayer on 01275 373 737 or email hayerr@skdrive.org. Miss Hayer works on Thursdays and Fridays. If you need any advice about employability, applying for a job, work experience, help writing a CV or personal statement or anything work related please contact Miss Gardiner on the above number or email gardiniers@skdrive.org. Miss Gardiner works on Monday and Tuesdays and until 12 on Wednesdays. The door to the Careers' Hub is always open so please just come and drop in. We are always happy to have a chat and to help you out.

Careers Support Platform - St Katherine's School students will soon all have access to a careers platform called Careers Pilot where they can research career pathways and explore post 16 and post 18 options. We would encourage all our students to sign up and have a look at this website themselves to explore their skills and look at career ideas for the future. Students should sign up with their school email address.

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

Virtual Event/Careers Fairs 2020 -

University Search Fairs

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

Find your perfect university and book yourself a place on a virtual tour. This free event is an excellent tool to access and wide variety universities, colleges and apprenticeship providers.

The University Tour dates are as follows:

14th October - East England, East Midlands and Yorkshire Universities

21st October - South West, West Midlands and Wales Universities

4th November - London and South East University

11th November - North West, North East, Scotland and Northern Ireland Universities

Meet the Russell Group, Virtual HE fair Wednesday 7th October

The Russell Group is a term for a group of universities with a shared focus on research and a reputation for academic achievement. The group includes the original six red brick universities: Birmingham, Bristol, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester and Sheffield, with its member universities usually spotted near the top of the university league tables.

On **Wednesday 7 October** the Russell Group universities will be hosting a Virtual Higher Education Fair from 12:00 to 18:00. This online event will allow students to explore all 24 Russell Group universities and chat directly to their representatives and ambassadors. It is for Year 12 and 13 students, and completely free of charge.

<https://russellgroup.vfairs.com/en>

Rose Bruford College, Virtual Open Days Saturday 3rd Oct and Sunday 4th Oct

Rose Bruford College are having a virtual open day to show opportunities in performing arts degrees. They also provide a number of backstage theatre/live events degree courses in areas such as Lighting, Audio Production, Theatre Design, Scenic Arts and Stage & Events Management. They have two new degree programmes: Digital Content Design for Theatre & Live Events and Virtual Theatre & Digital Experiences may be of interest to students who have a passion for IT or gaming.

<https://www.bruford.ac.uk/study/starting-here/open-days/>

UCAS Virtual Events

UCAS virtual exhibitions help students explore a wide range of academic and career opportunities in specific subject areas, and discover a future that's right for you. Speak directly to subject and admissions specialists on 1-2-1 or group chat, listen in on topical seminars, and pick up digital prospectuses and other information. It's the perfect opportunity to ask those burning questions, and narrow down your options. For further information and to register your interest, please click on the links below.

16th October Biological and Physical Sciences

<https://www.ucas.com/events/ucas-virtual-expo-biological-and-physical-sciences-375976>

23rd October Social Sciences, humanities and Teaching

<https://www.ucas.com/events/ucas-virtual-expo-social-sciences-humanities-and-teaching-376046>

2nd November Maths, Engineering

<https://www.ucas.com/events/ucas-virtual-expo-maths-engineering-and-computing-376051>

13th November Creative Subjects

<https://www.ucas.com/events/ucas-virtual-expo-creative-subjects-376186>

Post 16 Colleges -

City of Bristol College

Digital Event Wednesday 14th October 4.30-7.30pm

<https://www.cityofbristol.ac.uk/events/digital-open-event/>

For any information about your next steps post 16 and course available to you at City of Bristol College.

Weston College is running a series of virtual open days. This gives you an insight into the different campuses and what subjects and qualifications post 16 are available to you. To book your place click on the links below.

Knightstone and Puxton Park Showcase Wednesday 7th October and Thursday 8th October

<https://www.weston.ac.uk/event/knightstone-campus-and-puxton-park-virtual-open-evenings>

For Hair and Beauty, Hospitality and Catering, Early years and Education, Public Services, Animal Management, Business, Computer and IT and Performing and Production Arts.

Loxton Campus Showcase Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th October

<https://www.weston.ac.uk/event/loxton-campus-virtual-open-evenings>

For Sport, Health and Social Care, A Levels, Art and Design, Game and Media, Photography and Graphic Design and Music.

South West Skills Campus Showcase Wednesday 21st October

<https://www.weston.ac.uk/event/south-west-skills-campus-virtual-open-evenings>

For Motor Vehicle, Construction, Building Services and Engineering

SGS Open Day

South Gloucestershire and Stroud College open day Saturday 10th October 10-4pm

<https://www.sgscol.ac.uk/events/open-events/open-day-101020>

All courses, all levels open day

Bridgewater and Taunton College Virtual Showcase

October Virtual Showcase Tuesday 13th October 6.00-8.00pm

<https://www.btc.ac.uk/events/oct-open-evening-bridgewater-campus-4/>

Apprenticeship News -

A really good place to start when looking at what apprenticeships are and how to find one is here -

<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/>

<https://www.gov.uk/topic/further-education-skills/apprenticeships>

Apprenticeship Information on UCAS

UCAS has expanded its offering and now has up to date information on apprenticeships in the UK.

<https://www.ucas.com/understanding-apprenticeships>

Work Experience -

Unfortunately due to the current restrictions due to Covid the decision has sadly been made that year 10 work experience will not take place in 2021. This doesn't mean that you cannot sign up for some virtual work experience that you can do in your own time or on the holidays. Have a look at some of the opportunities below:

Year 10 -

Barclays Life Skills

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

Sign up to Barclays life skills and experience a day in the life of a digital agency. This really gives you an insight to an agency and the people who work there. All you need to do is to create an account and get exploring into the work experience options.

Rhod Gilbert Work Experience

Nine Series of work experience placements explored by Rhod Gilbert. Over 30 career areas to choose from including fighter pilot, zookeeper, builder, Journalist, Hairdresser, care worker and many more. You can select the episode of interest by clicking on the link below.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00zf3m1>

Speakers for Schools

Giving young people eye opening virtual work experience and inspiring remote insight days. Register your interest for virtual work experience by clicking on the link below.

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

BSMS Medical Work Experience

Brighton and Sussex Medical School have created an online work experience platform. You will be taken through six areas of medicine, exploring the roles, skills required, and challenges faced by today's doctors. Click on the link below to register.

<https://bsmsoutreach.thinkific.com/courses/VWE>

The Forage Virtual Work Experience Programmes

Free 5-6 hour virtual work experience programme allowing you to gain practical skills and experience. A firsthand insight into life as a White and Case lawyer and experience the realities of cross-border law. Click on the picture above to register.

[https://www.theforage.com/virtual-internships/prototype/HECBn5zqCvBpAXitG/White-&-Case-UK-Programme?utm_source=social&utm_medium=\(organic\)&utm_term=&utm_content=&utm_campaign=](https://www.theforage.com/virtual-internships/prototype/HECBn5zqCvBpAXitG/White-&-Case-UK-Programme?utm_source=social&utm_medium=(organic)&utm_term=&utm_content=&utm_campaign=)

The 9-5 with Stacey Dooley

A series of programmes featuring students undertaking experience in a variety of work places including a restaurant, care home, airport and call centre.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/p06zhf9j/the-nine-to-five-with-stacey-dooley>

Year 11 -

HINKLEY POINT C (HPC) Year 11 Virtual Work Experience Programme 2020

HPC is looking for Young People in Year 11 to take part in an exciting 'Virtual Work Insight' programme during the week commencing the 19th October 2020. This will take place in the early evenings all online. Are you interested in a future in Engineering and Construction and be keen to develop your skills?

The programme consists of some pre-course material followed by the following virtual activities:

- An introduction to HPC and a Project update
- An insight into the importance of 'Structural Integrity'
- Launch of a Project Task
- Virtual Tour of HPC, Bridgwater and Taunton College's
- Project Troubleshooting surgery

To apply click on the link below -

<https://careers.startprofile.com/page/hpc-virtualworkexperience>

Closing date for this is 5th October so get applications in quickly!

Year 12 -

Sutton Trust supports students to access leading universities and careers. They work in partnership with universities and employers to engage students with pathways and practical advice to leave them feeling inspired about their future. All programs are free.

<https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/>

Pathways to Engineering - closing date 3rd November 2020

Pathways to Medicine - closing date 1st January 2021

Pathways to Law - closing date 27th November 2020

Pathways to Finance - closing date 27th November 2020

Access to Bristol @The University of Bristol

Students attend a series of sessions held at the University of the Bristol on Wednesday afternoons during the autumn or spring term. Autumn dates will be online. You will choose to study one subject stream from a selection, representing many of the degree subjects available at Bristol. On completion, you will be guaranteed a contextual offer/interview from Bristol. Deadline 16 October 2020.

<https://www.bristol.ac.uk/study/outreach/post-16/access/apply/>

Pathways to Health Sciences is a programme for students interested in studying Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Science at university.

<https://www.bristol.ac.uk/study/outreach/post-16/health/>

Years 12 and 13

Investin offer many different types of work experience in subjects such as Banking, Medicine, Law, Music, Art, Science, Journalism, Publishing and many more. While these experiences are perfectly tailored to year 12 and 13 and would look amazing on your CV they are quite costly. Have a look at the costs of these amazing experiences before you commit. All experience can be found in the link below:

<https://investin.org/collections/all>