# **Midhurst Rother College Sixth Form**

## Futures Newsletter 44 – 18<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Any remaining UCAS applications from Year 13 need to be sent ASAP to ensure we meet the UCAS deadline. Final deadlines for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> January. Year 12 students should be making use of the opportunities in this newsletter to get

ahead and improve their applications for apprenticeships, jobs and degrees.



### **Open Days**

<u>UCAS University Virtual Tours</u> a list of virtual tours and videos from universities and colleges, so you can see what it's like on campus and what facilities are available. <u>Bangor University</u> – in-person open day 26<sup>th</sup> January <u>University of Roehampton</u> – Online digital taster day 17<sup>th</sup> February

Warwick - visits in February, March and July

UK University Search - University fair at the University of Surrey 5th March

## **Opportunities and Work Experience**

<u>KPMG Careers</u> student work experience programmes have been designed to help you learn, develop and discover more about what it's like to work at KPMG.

<u>HSBC Holdings plc</u> – Applications open 27<sup>th</sup> January. This summer programme is aimed at those who are keen to get an introduction to what a career in financial services may be like.

<u>SpringPod Virtual Work Experience Search</u> supplies work experience opportunities including with the NHS and local Government

<u>St Hugh's College (University of Oxford) Essay Competitions</u> - St Hugh's essay competitions are open to Sixth Formers from the UK and across the world. These are a fantastic opportunity to explore a topic of interest in a particular subject in more depth, whether something you have studied at school has inspired you, or whether you are keen to broaden your horizons in a new academic discipline.

<u>LSE Explore: Year 12</u> – London School of Economics and Political Science's Explore sessions are a series of online academic taster events for Year 12 students which offer an insight into selected undergraduate degree subjects at LSE.

<u>Sixth Form Logo</u> - We are looking at rebranding the Sixth Form Logo to make us stand out more. This logo will be used on school communications/hoodies/prospectus' etc and we want it to come from one of you. Brief: must be purple, must incorporate the number 6. Anyone wanting to get involved please email Mr Puttock with designs

## **Applying to University**

<u>Live Webinars</u> from University of Portsmouth. These are interactive, so you can ask any questions you have and listen in on topics like student finance, choosing a course and how to get the best from your degree. <u>Replying to University Offers</u> - A guide to replying to UCAS offers, your options and a list of useful deadlines, as

well as hints and tips on replying.

Brighton University Applicant Event

Student Finance information video from the University of East Anglia

Contextual Offers – really good guide from Bristol with key information

## Apprenticeships

<u>UniFrog Apprenticeship Fair</u> 7<sup>th</sup> February 16:30 – 19:00 <u>Supporting Apprentices with Additional Needs Webinar</u> – 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024 13:00 – 14:00 <u>Prospects Apprenticeship Jobs</u> – Current apprenticeship vacancies <u>UCAS Traditional Degree or Degree Apprenticeship?</u> Information on the difference between traditional degrees and university apprenticeships

#### **Oxbridge and Medicine**

<u>Aspiring Medics Programme</u> - The online course includes work experience (for Year 12), an online interview course (Year 13), as well as many other resources you need to succeed.

<u>Inspire Programme</u> Virtual academic taster lectures, residential and virtual subject exploration days, competitions, research skills sessions, a residential summer school, a virtual summer school and resources to help transition to university. Applications are open until 31st of January.

<u>Inspire Study Days</u> Opportunity to visit Oxford for the day and attend taster lectures and workshops in your chosen subject.

Applications for the <u>UNIQ</u> programme, a mentoring and support programme at the University of Oxford close on 23<sup>rd</sup> January. Eligibility is very limited, but worth looking to see if you can apply if you have not done so yet.

Think Cambridge - a series of webinars for potential applicants running in February

Cambridge masterclasses - available in January, February and March

#### **For Parents**

The Parent's Guides to <u>University</u>, <u>Apprenticeships</u> and <u>Post-18 Options</u> How to Find and Apply for <u>Apprenticeships</u> - webinar 29<sup>th</sup> February <u>Parents' and Carers' pack</u> for Apprenticeships

#### Key Dates

## Year 12 15<sup>th</sup>- 26<sup>th</sup> January - Formal 9<sup>th</sup> lesson exams 19<sup>th</sup> January – Photography Trip (London) 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February – Half Term 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> February - Perspectives Days 20<sup>th</sup> February - TP2 6<sup>th</sup> March - Futures Evening (evening event to explain post-16 options) 15<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> April – Internal Exams 19<sup>th</sup> April – INSET 7<sup>th</sup> May – TP3 10<sup>th</sup> May – Biology Practical (Winchester College) 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Parent's Evening (By Appointment Only)

#### Year 13

8<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> January - Formal 9<sup>th</sup> lesson exams
19<sup>th</sup> January – Photography Trip (London)
30<sup>th</sup> January - TP3
12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February – Half Term
19<sup>th</sup> February - 1<sup>st</sup> March - Internal Exams
12<sup>th</sup> March - TP4
14<sup>th</sup> March – Gilbert Hannam Service and Prize-Winners Evening
18<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> March - Formal 9<sup>th</sup> lesson exams
19<sup>th</sup> April – INSET
30<sup>th</sup> April – TP5