

BURY GRAMMAR SCHOOL Careers Newsletter



Dear all,

In this newsletter there are links to virtual careers-related events, information about UCAS, competitions, apprenticeships and an update on our Careers and Super Curriculum lecture series.

Super Curriculum, Careers lectures and visiting speakers

Over the past term, our students have enjoyed Super Curriculum talks led by Heads of Department and Heads of Faculty on a range of topics.

Mr Watts led a lecture entitled 'How Science and growth can save the world', Mrs Kershaw's lecture considered the importance and understanding of Contemporary Art, and Señora Bonilla-Marti led a lecture on 'Guernica's children'.



Our most recent Careers lecture was led by Dave Callan, Chief Marketing Officer at INEOS, in which students in Years 10 -12 enjoyed hearing about Dave's journey from university to working at Sky and Manchester United, before his current role at INEOS.

This month, we were delighted to welcome back Bury Grammar Old Boy, Geoffrey Shindler OBE, a solicitor who is a founding member and president of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners. Prospective Law students in Year 12 enjoyed an afternoon learning about Geoffrey's career in Law, his perspective on how the profession has changed and his insight into the future of the industry.

Virtual visits from recent alumni

Over the last two weeks, the Sixth Form Team have been delighted to welcome back former students who have volunteered their time to speak to our Year 11 pupils preparing for the transition from Senior School to Sixth Form.

Currently an undergraduate student of Engineering at Cambridge University, Mercy Akinyele provided tips on how to compile a Competitive Course application.

Our former School Captain, James Bishop, is currently studying Veterinary Science at Glasgow University and spoke in depth regarding the necessity for work experience and his love of lambing.

Our former Deputy Head Girl, Bola Akinayjo, discussed her studies in Medicine so far and described life at King's College London.

Henry Batchelor spoke well of his Computing degree at Cambridge University and his experience of the practical aspects of computing alongside advanced coding.

Amelia Busuttil delivered a highly informative and inspiring talk on her studies in Mathematics at Manchester University.

This week, Jasmine Templeman addressed a mixed group of Year 11 and 12 students on the diverse nature of her Psychology degree and a day in her life at university.





For those in Years 11 and 12 and below who are thinking about their choices, please see below a range of links to information.

UCAS - the official UCAS website of information and guidance, which includes City Guides, Key Dates and Subject Guides

Open days are taking place online this year, UCAS Open Days is one place to start finding information on dates and virtual tours, as well as Opendays.com. A good example is The University of Leeds who have a superb virtual tour.



Student Finance - Applications open in May 2022, follow this link for information and guidance.

Unifrog - use this platform to record your extracurricular and Super Curricular activities and well as your personal statement. You can also research and compare courses here.

WhatUni? - here there is guidance and advice for students choosing courses and writing personal statements

Online talks, lectures and events

Taster Sessions (Years 11-12) – Year 12 Natural Sciences at Pembroke College, Cambridge, will take place across 3 dates in May-June.

Careers in Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology – Online Webinar takes place on 2nd June 2022 at 1pm.



Cambridge University's Virtual Subject Masterclasses will take place in July and August. If you are interested, please ensure you book online ahead of the masterclass in order to secure your place and complete any necessary preparatory work.

NRICH Maths (Years 7-13) - Videos of selected lectures from the 2022 Cambridge Festival are now available here. Titles of lectures include 'How to lose \$1 Billion: technology's most expensive mistakes', and 'The Trouble with Quizzes'.

Morgan Stanley Summer Academy (Years 11-13) - The Summer Academy is Morgan Stanley's six-week webinar series designed for students in Year 11-13. They are looking for inquisitive minds who are interested in gaining an understanding of Morgan Stanley, the industry and key topics through a series of tailored modules such as: How Money Works, Think Like a Coder, Plan your Future.

To apply for the Summer Academy, please click here. Students will be required to answer a short written motivational question as part of the application process. Parents, teachers & carers are welcome to attend alongside their children or students.



Competitions

Quantum on the Clock (Years 12-13) – A challenge to create a three-minute video **about** any aspect of quantum science or technology that a Secondary School student can understand. **The competition deadline is Friday 8th July. For further details, please click [here](#)**

Theology Essay Competition (Years 12-13) - A Level students are invited to submit an essay of up to 1,500 words on one of the questions below:

1. Critically assess whether religion and science must always come into conflict.
2. Should the study of religion and confessional theology be taught in the same faculty?
3. 'It is conceivable that God does not exist. So God, if he exists, exists contingently.' Discuss.
4. How fair is it to describe the Council of Chalcedon as a failure?
5. 'Texts don't mean. People mean with texts.' Discuss with reference to the Bible.

The submission deadline is Friday 10th June. For more details please click [here](#)

Wells Festival of Literature [Young Poets competition](#) – open to secondary and post-secondary students aged 16-22. Poems must be no longer than 35 lines and the closing date is 30th June.

The [Orwell Youth Prize](#) – for secondary students aged 12-18, entries can be in any form, up to 1000 words. This year's task is to respond to this title: "The Future We Want". The closing date is **11th June**.

Institute of Acoustics (Years 7-13) - Careful measurement of sound is one of the key skills an acoustician requires in order to obtain accurate data for analysis. This activity has been designed to encourage students to think about sound more thoroughly than you may have before. The submission deadline is 31st July 2022. For further details please click [here](#).

Apprenticeships

Accountancy Apprenticeships at AMS Group – The deadline for applications is 31st May, [here is the brochure](#) detailing the opportunities on offer at the Manchester based accountancy firm.



Click here to browse a collection of short [Apprenticeship Stories](#) films which showcase the breadth and variety of apprenticeships, including Firefighting, Engineering, Broadcasting, Zookeeping and more.

The most recent apprenticeship newsletters for parents can be found here:

[April Apprenticeship Newsletter](#)

[March Apprenticeship Newsletter](#)

Careers in the news

For more information about [Careers & Options Advice at Bury Grammar School](#), please follow the link. Finally, I am available for appointments to talk through any questions you might have, please email hgreene@burygrammar.com to make an appointment.

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