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PREPARING FOR EXAMS

4-22 April 2022

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During the Easter holidays, as well as resting and recharging your batteries, we recommend that all Year 13 students spend a minimum of 8 hours per day revising. See p.2 for further information.

Year 13 Progress Reports

Students and parents should have received their mock examination results which will give them a realistic idea of their current performance. Whilst overall these results are very good, it is crucial students recognise how close their exams are and they focus their revision accordingly.

Apprenticeship talk

Apprentify, will be joining us at lunchtime on **Thursday 21st April** for a drop-in session about apprenticeships. Apprentify pride themselves on offering a unique approach to finding, recruiting & training the best digital and technical apprentices. Please come along to meet Scott and find out more about what Apprentify can offer you. (See p.8 for more information).

ILC Closure

There will be vaccinations taking place on **Wednesday 20th** and **Thursday 21st April** so the Library will be closed to all students.

Degree apprenticeships

For those students interested in degree apprenticeships please look at this information from Warwick University.



REVISION SUPPORT



Easter exam revision

During the Easter holidays we recommend that all Year 13 students spend a minimum of 8 hours per day revising.

If you haven't already, we recommend planning your time using a <u>study planner</u>. Once we return to school, we have 23 school days until external examinations take place, so time is precious!

Students should be returning from the Easter break knowing exactly which topics they need support with revising, which will allow staff to tailor their revision lessons accordingly.

Students have now received their mock examination grades, which should give a realistic impression of how they are performing. If in any doubt about how to revise, avoid making mind maps or rewriting colour-coded notes, now is the time to focus on practising past exam papers and testing how much information you can recall.

Revision can be hard work and the temptation is often to procrastinate, to avoid this, plan it carefully, study in 45 minute to 1 hour blocks with breaks and practise, practise!

Easter school

During the holidays there are some subject revision sessions running, which are by invite only. You will know by now if you have been invited.

Advance information

Please see <u>this letter</u> with regards to advance information and where you can find out more.

Summer exam timetable

Please <u>click here</u> to access the Summer Exam timetable, which includes both GCSE and GCE (A' Level) exams.

Students will be issued with their individual timetables nearer the time.

Dealing with exam stress

We highly recommend that students have a look at the following websites for helpful advice on dealing with exam stress:

Mental Health Resources for Exams | YoungMinds

Exam Stress | How To Deal with Exam Stress | YoungMinds



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CALENDAR 19–22 April 2022

DAY	YEAR 12	YEAR 13	OTHER EVENTS
MONDAY	BANK HOLIDAY		
TUESDAY	Assembly	Mentoring – reflecting on mock exam performance	Year 12 EPQ Meeting, 1.15pm, N103
WEDNESDAY	Study skills session	Assembly	Chernobyl talk (see p.5) Year 13 EPQ, P3/4, Boardroom School Nurse, 1.15pm
THURSDAY	Mentoring	Subject revision	Apprentify talk, The Studio 1.30–2pm (see p.8)
FRIDAY	Futures Friday – Degree Apprenticeships	Subject revision	

REMINDERS

DONT FORGET TO: --.

Year 12 Work Experience

All Year 12 students will complete a week of work experience during the week commencing 27th June 2022.

Please see here for the information shared with students during <u>assembly</u> last month.

Please also read the following information carefully:

- work experience
 letter
- work experience self-placement form
- <u>medical consent form</u>.

Student finance

Student finance for Year 13 moving onto further education is now open.

You can apply for:

- Tuition Fee Loans
- Maintenance Loans
- Maintenance Grants

You can apply online by clicking here.



Important dates

We have now updated the <u>Sixth Form Assessment Calendar</u>; this version will now replace the original sent out at the start of the academic year.

Please note the new dates for the following:

- Year 12 Mock exams will now be taken week commencing 13th June.
- Year 13 students will have their final day in Sixth Form on Friday 20th May. Study leave will begin from Monday 23rd May.

ENRICHMENT

Chernobyl lecture

Wednesday 20th April, Lower Hex, 2.10pm

Professor Mike Wood, a Professor of Radioecology from Salford University, will be coming in to school to discuss his research about Chernobyl and to demonstrate how he uses virtual reality headsets and drones in the field.

The primary focus of Professor Wood's research is environmental pollution (especially environmental radioactivity) and its impacts on wildlife and people. He has spent the last two decades working on the development of the international environmental radiation protection system and conducting underpinning radioecological research across a variety of locations, including the Chernobyl Exclusion Zone.

This lecture is for both Year 12 and Year 13 students. It is also compulsory for all students studying biology.

We will also be looking for volunteers to help with the Lower School talk on **Thursday 28th April** (off timetable Period 1–4). If you are interested, please email Miss Dixon (jdixon@lymmhigh.org.uk).







Event Opens 9:30am

Event Closes 2:30pm

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LIVERPOOL SPRING

Friday 29th April Aintree Racecourse, Ormskirk Rd, Aintree, Liverpool L9 5AS





Discover Lancaster online

Wednesday 6th April 2022

This online event is aimed at Year 12s who are beginning to look into where they might go for university. The advantage of it being online means students can get information about Lancaster University before potentially committing to coming and visiting the campus in the summer at one of its Open Days.

The QR code below takes students direct to the booking link. You can also access the booking link by <u>clicking here</u>.





Apprentify

Thursday 21st April, The Studio, 1.30–2pm

Scott Austin, Head of Talent at Apprentify, will be joining us for a drop-in session about apprenticeships. Apprentify pride themselves on offering a unique approach to finding, recruiting and training the best digital and technical apprentices for roles such as Digital Marketing, Junior Content Producer, Data Analyst and Software Developer. They currently work with companies such as JD Sports, Pets at Home, Manchester Airport Group and Liverpool Football Club.

Please come along to meet Scott and find out more about what Apprentify can offer you.

Visit their website and YouTube channel for more information.

Why Become an Apprentice?



Gain experience and qualifications

Continue on your educational path while also being in the workplace. An apprenticeship gives you the opportunity to gain nationally recognised qualifications and add valuable experience to your professional record.



Earn while you learn

What often makes apprenticeships so popular, is being able to earn a fair wage while you are learning valuable skills to benefit your future. Apprenticeships offer you nationally recognised qualifications, with no added costs!



Graduate in little over a year

Apprenticeship training can be completed within one year, giving apprenticeship students at least a three-year head start. In comparison to most degrees taking 3-4 years to complete.



Job security and future prospects

Employers are keen to retain great apprentices at the end of their programme. Apprenticeships give you the opportunity to continue your development in a company you are already growing in.

STFC Engineering Apprenticeship roles

Students are invited to apply now for Engineering Apprenticeship roles at the Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC), Daresbury Laboratory!

Daresbury Laboratory has been at the forefront of pioneering international scientific research for over 50 years. 500 staff continue to push the boundaries of modern science in fields such as accelerator science, biomedicine, physics, chemistry, materials, engineering and high performance computing. The laboratory needs skilled Engineers and Technicians to make big science happen. The Engineering apprenticeships in Electrical, Electronic or Mechanical Engineering are approved by the Institute of Engineering and Technology (IET) and provide an excellent chance to initiate an engineering career. STFC has over 20 years' experience in providing engineering apprenticeships.

On offer is a competitive salary that increases annually, 4–6 years training, additional core skills development, and the opportunity to undertake overseas placements at international facilities such as CERN and the European Spallation Source.

Opportunities are available at Advanced (Level 3) and Degree (Level 6) across key engineering departments – The Engineering Technology Centre, and Accelerator Science and Technology Centre (ASTeC). The closing date for applications is **Sunday 10th April 2022**.







Apprenticeship Open Evening Wednesday 27th April 2022 4.00PM - 7.00PM

Are you interested in an apprenticeship in Electrical, Mechanical, Multi Skilled or Manufacturing Engineering?

Come along to our open evening to hear from industry professionals, speak to current apprentices and find out how to fire up your career with an apprenticeship!



Where to find us:

Waterside Training Technology Campus, **Pocket Nook Street** St Helens **WA91TW**

Contact us:

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www.waterside-training.co.uk



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Local opportunities

Visit <u>Cheshire and Warrington Opportunities</u> to find out about local courses, apprenticeships or jobs

<u>Click here</u> to see this week's list of current apprenticeships in the Warrington area.

For more information about apprenticeships and traineeships go to <u>find an apprenticeship</u> or <u>find a traineeship</u>.



Administration



Animal Care



Beauty and Wellbeing



Catering and Hospitality



Creative



Emergency and Uniform Services



Environment and land



Government services



Law and Legal



Managerial



Media



Retail and Sales



Science and Research



Teaching and Education



Sports and Leisure



Travel and Tourism

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Online Careers Experience

Several online career days are being organised to help students choose a future career and to give them some work experience to use in their applications. Every student that attends one of these days will get a personalised certificate that they can use in their applications and interviews to university.

The courses all take place online together with students from all over the world.

The schedule is as follows:

- Future Lawyer Month
 Every Tuesday evening in April 2022
- Psychology Career Day Saturday 16th April 2022
- Business Career Day
 Saturday 23rd April 2022
- Architecture Career Day Saturday 30th April 2022
- Law Career Day
 Saturday 7th May 2022
- Vet Career Day
 Saturday 14th May 2022
- Computer Science Career Day Saturday 28th May 2022
- Performing Arts Career Day Saturday 5th June 2022
- Dentistry Career Day
 Saturday 1st October 2022
- Medicine Career Day
 Saturday 8th October 2022
- Midwifery Career Day
 Saturday 15th October 2022

To enrol on any of these courses, students need to visit www.careerdays.co.uk.











Mechanical Engineering Virtual Work Experience

11th-22nd April (Application deadline: 6th April)

Have you ever wondered what the world of mechanical engineering is like? It's a role that can take you anywhere, doing different types of things that you might have not even imagined before! From introducing you to the disciplines of mechanical engineering to looking at career opportunities and what kind of core skills and values are needed to be an engineer, this module will help you build a future in the industry.

Springpod and the Institution of Mechanical Engineering have partnered up to provide this programme that'll show you what's out there within the vast and varied world of mechanical engineering, and will help you explore which one is right for you.

This programme will cover everything from an introduction into the different disciplines of mechanical engineering, all the way to how mechanical engineers are working to save lives and our planet! You'll have the chance to take part in some great quizzes and amazing activities, and you'll even have the chance to speak to leading industry experts along the way!

What's included:

- Attend live webinars
- Approximately 10 hours to complete
- Certificate of completion
- Complete at a pace that suits you

To apply and find out more, click here.







Specsavers Virtual Work Experience

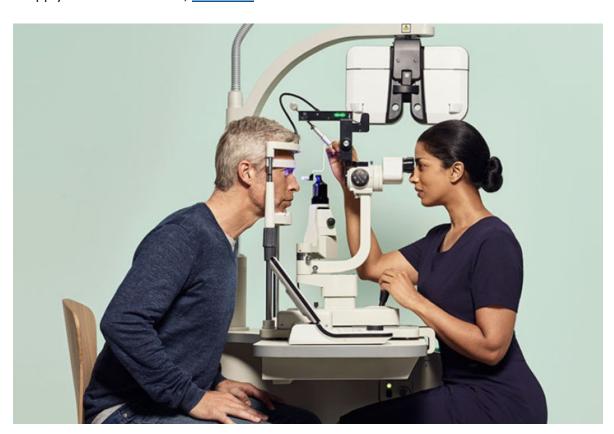
11th-15th April (Application deadline: 4th April)

Chances are, you've heard of high-street giant Specsavers. But, are you aware of the range of careers on offer within the organisation? From optics and audiology to customer service and support roles, this programme will cover the vast range of roles available at Specsavers. What's more, you'll also meet a range of industry professionals from various areas, who'll give you an overview of their experiences and allow you to ask questions.

What's included:

- Learn about Specsavers' vision and values, their history and the range of careers you could pursue with them
- Take a deep dive into the worlds of optometry, audiology, customer service and support roles (including finance, marketing and legal roles)
- Complete activities and quizzes
- View current vacancies
- Chat to professionals in this programme's live webinars.

To apply and find out more, click here.





Business Management Easter Work Experience

Monday 11th April, 9-4pm

If you're interested in a career in Business, Accounting or Finance then this work experience is very much for you.

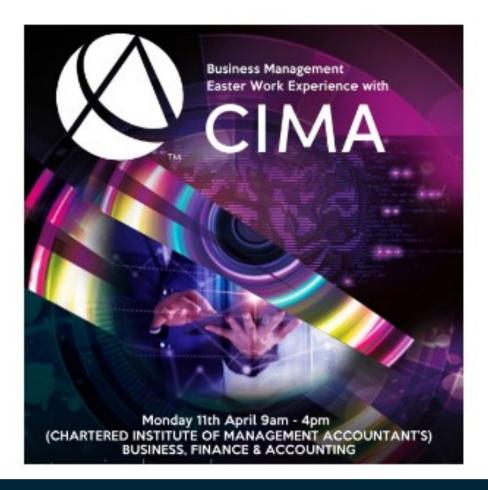
The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants® (CIMA), founded in 1919, is the world's leading and largest professional body of management accountants. They are the world's leading professional qualification when it comes to business and accounting. Most of the world's top business professionals have their qualification.

This CIMA Business & Management Virtual Work Experience event will involve a number of other business professionals such as Sodexo and Balfour Beatty, two enormous multi-billion turnover conglomerates. The day will involve online business games, psychometric exercises and workshops to test your business brain and encourage you to start thinking like an entrepreneur.

The Vice President of CIMA will also speak about his career journey and experiences in the business world.

Certificates of completion for the day as well as for the business games will be awarded.

If you'd like to take part in this virtual day work experience, click here to register.



Saturday 2nd April

Bournemouth University – Undergraduate Open Day, 10–3pm

University of South Wales - Open Day, 10-3pm

Monday 4th April

<u>University of East London</u> – Effective Time Management, 4.15–5pm

University of Plymouth - Taster Day, 9-2.30pm

<u>University of Southampton</u> – Acoustical Engineering Webinar, 5–6pm



Tuesday 5th April

<u>University of Lincoln</u> – Lincoln Live Link Up - Live Q and A Session

<u>University of Portsmouth</u> – Student finance webinar – A complete guide for parents and supporters, 6–7pm

<u>University of Salford</u> – Can I afford to go to university?, 6–7pm

<u>University of Sheffield</u> – Spanish Taster Session, 3.45–5.15pm

<u>University of Southampton</u> – Particle Physics Masterclass, 1–2pm

<u>University of Wolverhampton</u> – How to prepare for Interviews/portfolios/auditions

University of Worcester – Politics Virtual Taster Event, 6.15–7.15pm

Wednesday 6th April

Liverpool John Moores University - Computing & Mathematics: Any Questions, 1-2pm

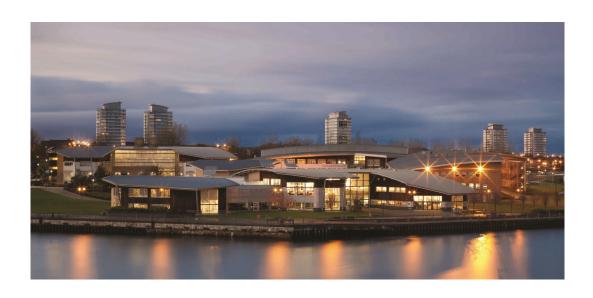
<u>University of Huddersfield</u> – Student Finance, 5.30–6.30pm

<u>University of Plymouth</u> – Taster Day, 9–2.30pm

<u>University of Reading</u> – Applying to University with a BTEC qualification: Q&A with students, 4.30–5.30pm

<u>University of Southampton</u> – Solving the world's problems with Chemistry, 4.30–5.30pm

<u>University of Sunderland</u> – Building Sustainability in the Creative Industries, 5–6.30pm



Thursday 7th April

Newman University – Webinar: Student Finance Explained, 5pm

University of Exeter – the Multiple Mini Interview (MMI), 6–7pm

<u>University of Portsmouth</u> – Student finance webinar – A complete guide for parents and supporters, 7–8pm

Friday 8th April

<u>University of South Wales</u> – Primary Initial Teacher Education Taster Day

Monday 11th April

Solent University – Get ready to choose your accommodation, 5.30–6.30pm



Tuesday 12th April

<u>Lancaster University</u> – Student Finance for Parents and Supporters, 6–7pm

Queen Mary University of London – Applying and Writing Your Personal Statement, 4.30pm

<u>University of East London</u> – Studying for Success, Revision Done Well, 11–11.45am

Wednesday 13th April

London School of Economics and Political Science – LSE Discovery Sessions, 10–11am

Queen Mary University of London - Liberal Arts Virtual Taster Session, 5-6pm

Thursday 14th April

Teesside University – Teesside University Business School Advisory Forum

<u>University of East London</u> – How to choose a Degree Course and University, 11–11.45am

Tuesday 19th April

<u>Lancaster University</u> – Why Lancaster? for Parents and Supporters, 6–7pm

<u>University of East London</u> – Personal Statements - How to make yours stand out, 11–11.45am



Wednesday 20th April

Queen Mary University of London – How I made friends at University, 4.30pm

University of Sheffield - Computer Science Taster Session, 4-5.30pm

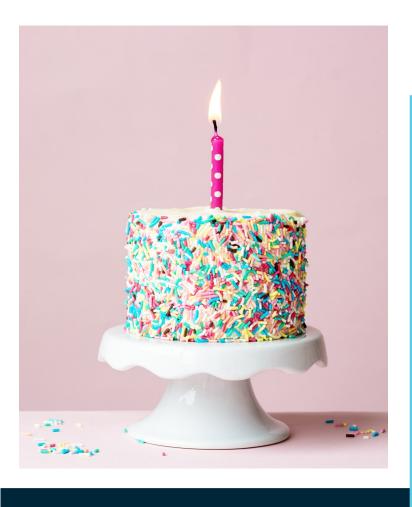
Thursday 21st April

Royal Holloway, University of London - All about ... Student Finance, 5-6pm

University of Sheffield – Optimizing your future with Chemical Engineering

Friday 22nd April

<u>Queen Mary University of London</u> – Parent and Carer webinar series: Introduction to Degree Apprenticeship, 5.30–6.30pm



BIRTHDAYS

J. Aird E. Crouch

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O. Bebbington H. Daniels

E. Sheehy

C. Bennett

J. Edwards

F. Smith

M. Buchanan

E. France

O. Stockdale

O. Daniels

D. Kynaston

C. Williamson

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