THE LET THIS WEEK... UCAS LAUNCH

20-24 June 2022

UCAS LAUNCH
AND
LEADERSHIP
OPPORTUNITIES

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This week we are focussing on what are your choices going forward?

- Higher Education
- Apprenticeships
- Studying Abroad
- Gap Year
- Getting a job

See pages 9–12 for more information.

Drop Down Day

During Drop Down Day on

Thursday 7th July you will be
given time with your tutors to set
up your application and write
your Personal Statement or
Apprenticeship application and/
or CV.

<u>Click here</u> for a Personal Statement Guide

<u>Click here</u> for a helpsheet on searching for Universities.

Exams continue

Well done to all Year 12 students on their mock exams.

Good luck also to Year 13 whose A' Levels continue.

Year 12 futures

Soon students will need to begin to decide about their next steps after Year 13. If students would like to meet one-to-one with Sixth Form Staff to discuss their options please email Miss Dixon (jdixon@lymmhigh.org.uk) or Mrs Littler (jlittler@lymmhigh.org.uk) and they will schedule an appointment. This link to Microsoft Teams has useful resources and guidance for you about UCAS and Apprenticeships.

New Form rooms

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Founders' Day

Founders' Day is an important event in the school calendar. This year the celebration will take place on **Wednesday 20th July** and the theme will be 'A celebration of community, kindness and togetherness'. Please <u>click</u> here to read about plans for the day, including the exciting Colour Run.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK



CALENDAR 20–24 June 2022

DAY	YEAR 12	OTHER EVENTS
MONDAY	Assembly – Mr Williams	
TUESDAY	Assembly (Lower Hex) Applying to university: The process (outline) + Leadership Team Applications	Applying to Cambridge University Talk, 1.15pm, N105
WEDNESDAY	Choosing a mentor for your application	School Nurse, 1.15–2.10pm
THURSDAY	Preparing for work experience	Fashion Show 5.30pm (See p.7)
FRIDAY	Writing your personal statement	

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Your new form rooms are as follows:

Yr12 New Form Rooms

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12AL	S. Culver	B204	
12AH	J. Slater / E. Walsh	B205	
12DL	I Brettle	N101	
12DH	A. McCormick	B202	
12ML	A. Morrison	B206	
12MH	A. Quilter/H. Donlan	N201/2015	
12TL	S. MacPherson /H. Hurn	B203	
12TH	A. Keeping	N105	
12WL	L. Bridges / C. Tierney	E106	
12WH	G. Mogey	E205	

Student Leadership Roles



It's time to start recruiting our next Student Leadership Team. Read on and let us know if you're interested in any of these roles. To apply, email Mr Hayes (jhayes@lymmhigh.org.uk) with a covering letter (less than one side of A4) outlining which role you would like to apply for and why you think you would be suitable.

Head of Student Leadership and Deputy Head of Student Leadership

These roles not only act as figureheads for the Sixth Form but they also are expected to generate and deliver new initiatives in school, and possibly the wider community. A perfect example of this was Emma Parkinson's (Head of Student Leadership, 2021–2022) idea of the Lymm Community Hero Awards. Emma took her initial idea to fruition working in collaboration with Lymm Radio to engage the local community. Once she had put together the judging criteria and selected the winners she arranged for them to come into school's Chapters Restaurant for a Christmas Dinner. Emma ensured the event was well publicised on social media and it was very well received in the community. We hope this will become an annual event.

These senior roles require initiative and an ability to see an idea through to its successful conclusion. You will also need to manage others, generate enthusiasm with colleagues and be well organised to ensure deadlines are met. Communication and confidence are also key skills:

you will be expected to represent the Sixth Form, giving speeches at whole school events such as Awards Evening and assemblies.

The successful candidates will be straight into action towards the end of this academic year with Awards Evening. The workload beyond this is fairly flexible depending on the initiatives that you wish to implement. These senior roles are also expected to keep track of progress on other roles and offer support and encouragement. Mr Hayes is also on hand to assist with this aspect of the role. At the end of the year the senior roles are key players in organising the Prom and leavers activities.



Charity Leaders

We normally have approximately four or five Charity Leaders. The team's work is heavily skewed towards the first couple of terms as our legacy charities have significant fundraising events between September and January. Teamwork, communication and a sense of fun are key to being a successful candidate on the Charity team. A creative mind is crucial to think of fun and interesting methods of raising funds and awareness of the fabulous charities.



Scholars Leaders

Working to support staff leaders involved with STEM and the Scholars programme these roles are suited to students wishing to secure places at prestigious universities.

Students who are excelling academically will contribute to assemblies and help to deliver initiatives to stretch and challenge younger students and provide inspiration to ensure lower school students have a thirst for knowledge. A desire to help younger students and a willingness to discuss option choices and pathways to successful careers will be crucial.

The workload for these roles is spread fairly evenly from September to April.



LGBTQ+ Leaders

Whilst we are in Pride month (June), LGBTQ+ issues need to be on the agenda throughout the year. Our leaders will raise awareness of diversity issues and help to make sure our school is an inclusive environment where everybody is set up to succeed. The production and delivery of assemblies, awareness initiatives and support in celebrating key dates in the LGBTQ+ calendar are all key components of the role.

Eco Representatives

As a school we are working towards the National Eco-Schools Award. We need our Eco Representatives to take a lead with lower school students and members of staff on five key areas:

- Biodiversity
- Waste
- Energy
- Water
- Litter

These candidates will be passionate about the environment and be able to generate enthusiasm with lower school students. They will plan and deliver assemblies, assist with the formulation of documentation to support the Eco-Schools application and have the maturity to work closely with members of staff to ensure deadlines are adhered to. The workload for these roles is spread fairly evenly from September to April.

Mental Health Ambassadors

Mental health is becoming increasingly important as we move slowly towards a post pandemic environment. Students are becoming more aware of mental health warning signs thanks to the fantastic work that is being done by Mrs Hunter and the Student Services team. The Mental Health Ambassadors' role is not to offer one-to-one support for fellow students. We have highly trained staff that take on this role who have years of experience of dealing with tricky situations. The Ambassadors' role is to continue to generate awareness of mental health issues in school and to support Mrs Hunter in delivering initiatives, which often involve student voice. Creativity,



innovation and empathy are all key skills for this role as you can help to devise your own campaigns to raise awareness. The workload for these roles is spread fairly evenly from September to April.

Fun Leaders

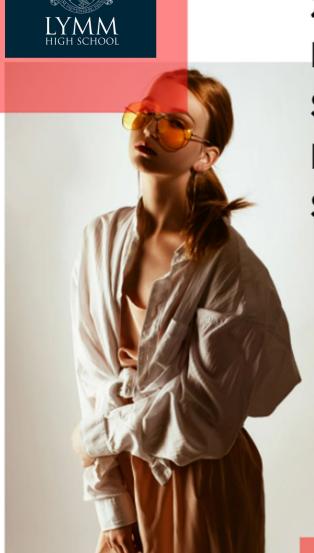


We are hoping to create more fun opportunities for Sixth Form students next year. Sixth Form expectations are tough with the emphasis on a 40-hour working week in school to strive for academic excellence. Covid restrictions in recent times have also scuppered opportunities to get together and have a laugh. We realise that a little downtime is clearly required and we are looking for a team of students to generate and deliver fun activities in

the Lower Hex in the winter and possible outdoor activities when the weather permits at other times of the year. All ideas will be considered but you will need to get clearance from Mr Hayes to ensure things can work logistically. Bi-weekly quizzes, game-show style events and challenges would be a good starting point but please use your imagination. Commitment and organisation skills are key to these roles.

Hall Representatives

These roles would be particularly suited to Year 12 students who are looking to get a first taste of leadership. Mr Hayes needs support in delivering a whole host of hall-related tasks and activities. A key part of the hall system is student voice and our Hall Representatives conduct most of this taking the lead chairing hall meetings. There are regular hall activities, games, challenges and quizzes through the year and Hall Representatives will create and deliver some of these activities. Key skills for this role are creativity, organisation, communication and teamwork.



Thursday 23rd June 2022
Main Hall
Doors open 5:30pm
Free Admission
Refreshments available

2022 LYMM HIGH SCHOOL FASHION SHOW

FOR MORE INFOMATION
CONTACT US AT
ksimms@lymmhigh.org.uk

REMINDERS

DONT FORGET TO:

Uniform recycling

If you have any school uniform or PE kit that you no longer need, please consider donating these items to school so they can be shared with those who need it. If possible, please wash items before donating.

There is a drop-off point in main reception. If you have any questions, please email nbeck@lymmhigh.org.uk

Results Day

Year 13 students have had an assembly to prepare them for Results Day.
Please click to view this here.

Alumni

We'd love to keep in touch with Year 13 once you leave Lymm High. If you'd like to join our alumni association, please complete this form (it will take less than 2 minutes!).

We can then keep you informed about events, news and reunions.

<u>Click here</u> to view the new-look website.

Tell Us

The TELL US Reporting System can be used by students to safely submit any concerns confidentially so that we can help and support when and where needed. Please let us know if anything is worrying you. Don't keep it to yourself!

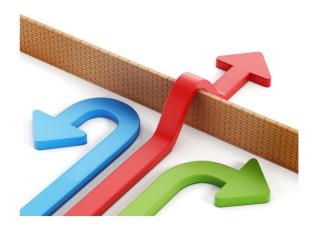
TELL US here.



HIGHER EDUCATION

Wondering if Higher Education is right for you?

There is no pressure to go to Higher Education. It has its benefits and its challenges and it isn't the right path for everyone. This article is a useful read for everyone considering moving on to Higher Education: Is university worth it? | Optimus Education Blog (optimus-education.com)



Higher education study options

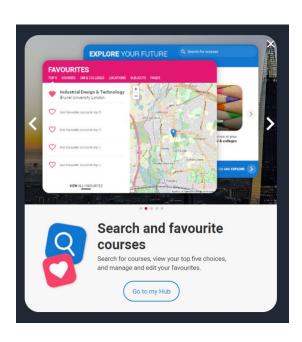
- Certificate of Higher Education (CertHE) and Diploma of Higher Education (DipHE): first and second year of a degree course.
- Higher National Certificate (HNC) and Higher National Diploma (HND): HNC is a 1-year industry specific course, and the HND is a 2-year industry specific course.
- Higher apprenticeships: provide an opportunity to gain Level 4 qualifications or above, e.g. HND, or foundation degree while you work. Can take from 1–5 years to complete, depending on the course level.
- Foundation degree: flexible vocational qualification, combining both academic study and workplace learning. It usually takes 2 years to complete.
- Bachelor's or undergraduate degree: a 3–4-year course which can also be available as a part-time option, allowing you to study and work.
- Degree apprenticeships: enable you to gain a full undergraduate or master's degree while you work. Degree apprenticeships take 3–6 years to complete, depending on the course level.

HIGHER EDUCATION

What's right for you

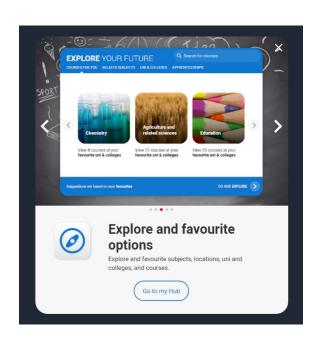
There are a number of things to consider when applying for higher education:

- A course you enjoy you are investing time, money, and effort
- Whether it's right for your career path check with employers and professional organisations
- Location city or rural, transport links
- A study and assessment style that suits you
- Extracurricular, clubs, and societies
- Finances



Register with the UCAS Hub to:

- Explore careers, subjects, places, and apprenticeships
- Find and favourite over 35,000 courses
- Search for open days, online events and virtual tours
- Turn predicted grades into UCAS Tariff points
- Speak to those in the know using Unibuddy
- Speak to career, higher education, and application specialists by attending the Hub lives
- Take the UCAS Quiz to find your career matches
- Start an application for 2023 entry (from May 2022)





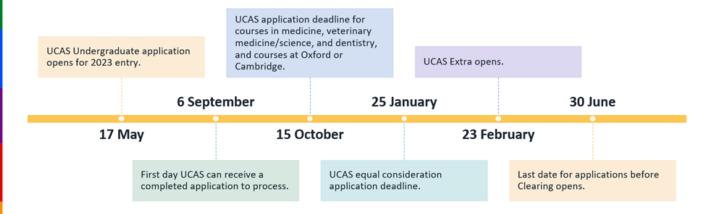
Personal Statements

By the end of this term (11th July) you will need to send a first copy of your personal statement to your UCAS mentor. We have already had talks on how to write a Personal Statement and we will also be doing assemblies and form tutor-led sessions on this.

To get started, please <u>see this powerpoint</u> from Lancaster University who came to speak to us last term. In addition, this <u>library of sample personal statements</u> may be helpful.

UCAS deadlines

Below are the <u>UCAS formal deadlines</u>; however, we will have internal deadlines that we need you to meet in order to help us check through each application.



Parent, Guardian and Carer guide

Please <u>click here</u> to download this useful resource. It is designed to give you the tools to guide and support a young person applying to study at university or college in 2023, through their decision-making and the UCAS application process



FUTURES OPPORTUNITIES

Apprenticeships

For everything you need to know about Apprenticeships, please see our Bulletin from Apprenticeship Week here.

Check out ucas.com/apprenticeships to find out more, including:

- Different types of apprenticeships
- Degree apprenticeships
- How to find and apply for apprenticeships
- Preparing for application and interview
- Industry guides

Sign up at <u>careerfinder.ucas.com</u> to search for apprenticeship and internship vacancies.



Lane End Group have an exciting opportunity for anyone who is returning home to Warrington from University this Summer!

ARE YOU:

Under 24 years old?

In your first or second year at university in a marketing or digital marketing degree?

Coming back home to Cheshire or Warrington for Summer 2022?

Looking for a paid internship in marketing and comms?

Head to laneend.org/careers for more Info

STEM Session for parents, carers and guardians

Thursday 7th July, 6-7pm

This free session, delivered via Zoom, is an opportunity to learn a little more about apprenticeships and meet a wonderful special guest apprentice, Lara, who will be sharing a little bit about her journey and her current role working in cancer therapy!

This progression event is open to students, parents, carers, guardians and families of those looking at their next steps, who would like to know a little more about apprenticeships.

The session will go through what it means to do an apprenticeship, including levels, structure and time commitments, as well as where to find opportunities, how to apply, and what sort of progression and career opportunities are available after completion. This will include degree apprenticeships, and how to access professional careers such as accounting, architecture and law, through apprenticeship routes.

Whether you are just after a little bit of information, or whether you have your heart set on securing an apprenticeship, this session will provide all the information you need to understand the landscape of apprenticeships a little better.

There will be an opportunity for Q&A, and there will be digital resources and additional information sent out after the event also.

If you have any questions or would like to know a little more information about whether this session will be useful, please contact apprenticeships@allaboutstem.co.uk.

To register for this event, click here.



APPRENTICESHIPS

FUTURES OPPORTUNITIES

Apprenticeship opportunities

Jaguar Land Rover (Williams Land Rover Manchester), *North West*Parts Assistant Apprentice

For further information, and to apply, click here.



Volkswagen Group, *North West*Parts Assistant Apprenticeship
For further information, and to apply, <u>click here</u>.



PwC School and College Leaver programmes in Tax - Autumn 2022, *Nationwide* For further information, and to apply, <u>click here</u>.



BT, Nationwide

- Customer Service
- Degree Apprenticeships
- Project Management
- Engineer Degree Apprenticeship
- Security Software
- Digital Applications Technician Data Analyst

For further information, and to apply, click here.



IBM, Nationwide

- Software developer
- Design Futures Gap Year Placement
- Test Engineer Level 4 Apprenticeship
- Junior Management Consultant Level 4 Apprenticeship



<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>.

Marketing Executive Level 4 Apprentice Opportunity



Level 4 (Higher National Certificate)
MARKETING EXECUTIVE APPRENTICESHIP

CALLING ALL BUDDING MARKETEERS

REQUIREMENTS:

- 5 GCSE'S or equivalent (GRADE 4-9) Essential & MUST Include:
- ENGLISH GCSE or
- equivalent (GRADE 4-9)
- MATHS GCSE or equivalent (GRADE 4-9)

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- COMPETITIVE PAY
- TRAINING & SUPPORT
- VARIED ROLE
- GREAT CULTURE
- FUN, FRIENDLY TEAM

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Lucy - Quantity Surveyor



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To apply, set up an account on the government's 'Find an Apprenticeship' site www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship and complete the application. Our Ref: VAC1000040784

Closing Date - 24th June



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For further details and to apply, click here.

REVISION SUPPORT



Extra Revision

The A' Level Review magazines are left in the Upper Hex each quarter. They are issued four times a year and various titles are available.

Please use these to further your study and as revision tools. They include articles on your specifications, coursework tips and trips, and exam skills.



FUTURES OPPORTUNITIES

The University of Law

Criminal Investigation Days, July 2022



At the University of Law Criminal Investigation Days you'll find out what a lawyer, criminologist, forensic police officer or judge does and how each role interrelates with each other. These July events will discuss the Tony Martin Case: the shooting of a burglar at a Norfolk farmer's home and consider the role of legal professionals in the fight for a fair justice system.

During the day, students will:

- Build a timeline of events
- Analyse the case evidence and witness statements
- Examine how the case unfolded and the consequences
- Discuss gun culture in the UK and around the world
- Develop skills; debating, public speaking, logical thinking and cross-examination
- Consider the role of legal professionals in the fight for a fair justice system

Students can book an in-person place at Manchester, or can join the event online:

- Manchester: 14th July, 10–3pm
- Online: 20th July, 10–3pm

To find out more and book your place, click here.

FUTURES OPPORTUNITIES

The University of Law Open Days

Saturday 25th June 2022 Saturday 16th July 2022

The University of Law's Open Days are a fantastic opportunity for students to get to know the institution better and find out if studying at ULaw is for them. At an Open Day, students will have the opportunity to:

- Take a tour of the campus and facilities
- Find out more about the courses
- Meet tutors
- Speak to current students about student life and societies
- Learn more about the employability team and wellbeing support
- Have questions answered by staff and students

To find out more and book your place, click here.



FUTURES OPPORTUNITIES

Join the Dots transition to University support

July 2022 to January 2023



Join the Dots, provided by The Brilliant Club (TBC), will act as transition support for Year 13 students as they finish school, through results day and ensure that they succeed at university through their first undergraduate year.

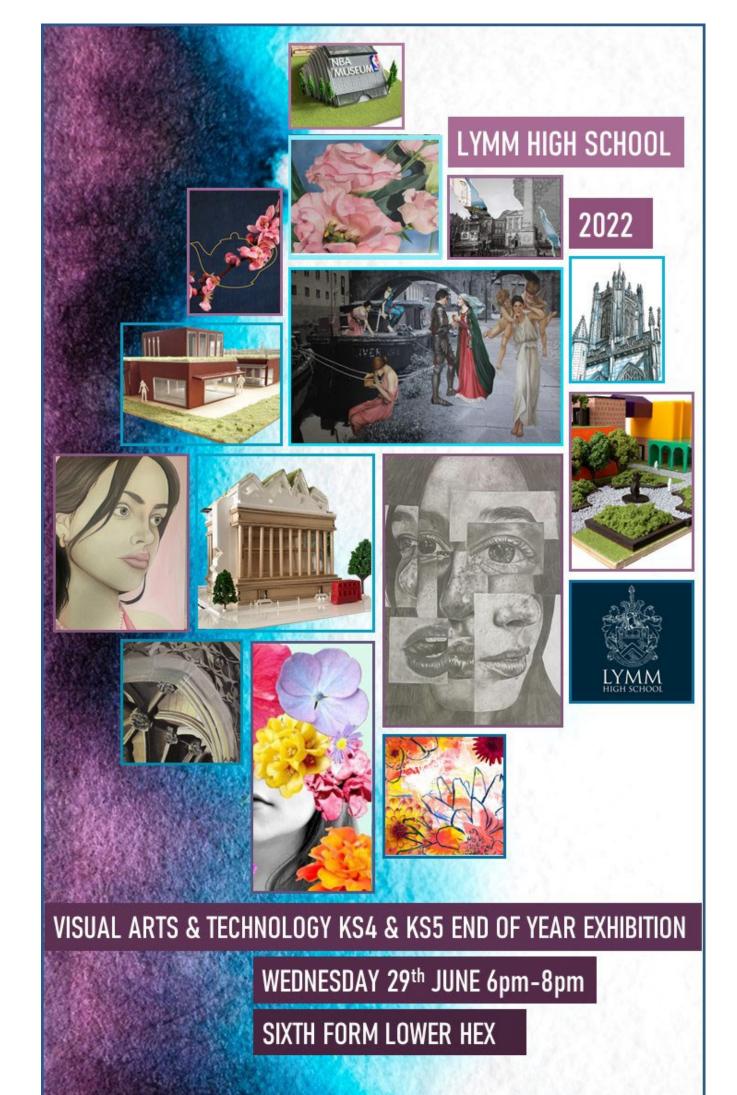
It is a national programme built on the principles of community, connections and coaching. It brings together schools and universities to develop networks of support for students. It is targeted at students who are most likely to face barriers in making a successful transition to university, and who are at risk of missing out on the life-changing opportunities that come from successfully earning a degree from a competitive university.

TBC are looking for students who have selected one of the following institutions as their firm choice:

- University of Manchester
- King's College London
- Sussex University
- Kingston University
- Royal Holloway, University of London
- University of Southampton

Students will benefit from peer support and coaching from a PhD student coach, helping them to build a sense of belonging at their destination university.

<u>Click here</u> for a flyer with more information about the programme and how to get involved.







British Airways Work Experience

28-30th June, 10-3pm (by Zoom)



British Airways are running a 3-day Business Virtual Work Experience programme to give students the chance to gain an insight into the professional teams at BA's Head Office.

Across the 3 days, students will hear from different teams from their HQ (including Sustainability, Finance, Digital Marketing and Commercial Analytics) who will pose the question 'where do you see British Airways in 1 year and 10 years' time?' and provide industry updates and trends as well as employability top tips.

The placement involves a mix of activities, quizzes, live guest speakers (including current apprentices and graduates) and project planning time. At the end of the placement, students will have the opportunity to share their vision for the future of British Airways and aviation with a special guest panel of British Airways colleagues. Students will also have the opportunity to secure an in-person Insight Day at BA's HQ based at London Heathrow during the October half-term holiday this year.

Upon completion, students will receive a certificate which can be used on CV / personal statements.

If you'd like to sign up for this work experience opportunity, click here.

CAREERS

The London Careers Festival

20-24th June 2022 (Virtual)

The London Careers Festival is a full programme aimed specifically at post-16 students, which, despite its name, has a full week of virtual programming open to all. Details of the programme, which is totally free, are below.

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LONDON CAREERS FESTIVAL 20 JUNE - 1 JULY 2022

Monday 20th June

9.30am: Understanding what it takes to be employable

11.30am: Running your own business

12.30pm: Careers in caring

1.30pm: The Ivy House Award: My Life

Tuesday 21st June

9.30am: <u>Introduction to Investment Management</u>

11.30am: Paths to a career in tech

Fusion Futures: using your passions for purpose

1.30pm: How to find the career path that works for you

Wednesday 22nd June

9.30am: Introduction to Entrepreneurship (NatWest session 1)

11.30am: Apprenticeships in the City of London

1.30pm: 5 factors that prevent diverse talent from succeeding

Thursday 23rd June

9.30am: <u>Developing an Entrepreneurial mindset (NatWest session 2)</u>

11.30am: Choose Geography: Royal Geographical Society1.30pm: The Future Leaders Project: Polishing your Pitch

Friday 24th June

9.30am: <u>Defining Entrepreneurial purpose (NatWest session 3)</u>

11.30am: Jobs in journalism and working in the broadcasting industry

UNIVERSITIES

Saturday 18th June

<u>University of London</u> – LSE Black Achievement Conference, 1.30–5pm

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

Monday 20th June

London South Bank University - In Conversation With Built Environment & Architecture Students, 5-6pm



New College of the Humanities – History Taster Lecture, 4.30–5.30pm

Solent University – Get ready to learn about Higher & Degree Apprenticeships, 5.30–6.30pm

<u>University of East Anglia</u> – Webinar: Philosophy taster lecture (Classical Civilisation - Beliefs and Ideas), 4.15–5pm

Tuesday 21st June

Loughborough University – How to succeed when moving away from home, 6–7pm

New College of the Humanities – Law Taster Lecture, 4.30–5.30pm

<u>University of Oxford</u> – 'Preparing for the PAT' online course

UNIVERSITIES

Wednesday 22nd June

Falmouth University - Visa, Fees & Scholarships webinar, 12-1pm

New College of the Humanities – Creative Writing Taster Lecture, 4.30–5.30pm

<u>Queen Mary University of London</u> – Journey to higher education webinar series: The difference between 6th form and University, 4.30pm

<u>University College London</u> – UCL Informed Futures, 5–6pm

<u>University of Salford</u> – Studying in the North Webinar, 6.15–7.15pm



University of West London - Open Day, 10-3pm

<u>University of Westminster</u> – BSc Computer Games Development - Online drop-in session, 1–2pm

University of Worcester - Education Studies, 12.30-1.30pm

Thursday 23rd June

<u>Birmingham City University</u> – Women in Computing and Engineering Day

UNIVERSITIES

New College of the Humanities – Art History Taster Lecture, 4.30–5.30pm

Guildhall School of Music & Drama - Production Arts Virtual Q&A, 5pm



University of Sheffield – Philosophy Taster Session: Are we morally obliged to be poor?, 3.45–5.15pm



BIRTHDAYS

L. Antrobus

G. Gandy

M. Calder

H. Hallas

H. Crompton

W. Hewston

A. Dybell

M. McCallum