



Weekly Student Bulletin for Braintree Sixth Form Students Friday 3rd February 2023

Dear BSF Students,

This week we have seen the end of January, which, I know can be a very long month for most people for many different reasons, and with a week of exams, deadlines and settling back into routines I am sure many of share that sentiment. Over the next week, if you have not already, you will start to receive back your mock exam results and exam feedback. At this stage what is important, is how you respond, (no matter what the grade is), to the feedback you are given and how you use this to help you make progress.

Over the last couple of weeks, it has been really lovely to welcome back a number of alumni students who have spoken to you about their own progression routes, how they have got to where they are now, and their own experiences, including information on both university and apprenticeships. The art department also hosted ex-student James Cook who inspired those he spoke to about his journey since leaving the Sixth Form, studying architecture, and now owning his own business with his own artwork produced on a typewriter. Although I know it can be a daunting prospect, it is also exciting to think what you all might be doing once leaving here and who of you will come back to share your stories to future students.

There will be a lot of information over the coming months regarding progression routes and as a reminder we have Jane Cure who is an independent careers advisor available for any Sixth Form student to book a meeting with. If you are interested in having a career appointment, please let Ms Watson know and then an appointment time can be emailed to you.

Apprenticeship week – 6th -10th February

Next week is national apprenticeship week and there will be a variety of information throughout the week including talks and information from local companies, general information and activities around apprenticeships shared during tutor time, plus we will share links to events and live talks that are taking place that students can sign up to.

Opportunities for you

Preparing for Your Healthcare Interviews (Webinar):

We are offering aspiring healthcare students the opportunity to attend a 'Preparing for your Healthcare Interview' workshop. This online workshop will look to explore the purpose of interviews, how they're used in the assessment process and what universities are looking for in prospective candidates. This webinar will also give students useful insight and preparation tips, including exploring key skills and unpacking some practice questions. There will also be the opportunity to ask questions at the end of the session.

Key Details:

Date: 6th February

Time: 5pm - 6:30pm

Location: Online via Go To Webinar

Registration link: <https://bit.ly/PreparingForYourHealthcareInterview>

[Newcastle University](#)

Are your students thinking about going to university next year? Then our **FREE Bitesize Uni (BSU) Summer School from 18-21 July 2023** is not to be missed.

Aimed at students currently in Year 12/first year college (or equivalent), they'll spend four days/three nights with us on campus, staying in our accommodation.

They'll get the chance to:

- try out subjects they may want to study at university
- get a taste of life on campus
- chat to our current undergraduates and hear about their experiences
- explore our friendly city
- meet student peers from all over the UK

Applications are now open, but places are limited, so encourage your students to secure their spot today.

The deadline for applications is 12 March, 2023 (6pm). If the event is oversubscribed, we may rely on our Summer School eligibility criteria to allocate places. [View full details on our website.](#)

Speakers for Schools

Speakers for Schools is holding an **evening webinar for parents and carers of all students aged 14-19 years**. This webinar is open to educators and students who want to find out more.

This virtual open evening will showcase our career insight sessions and work experience placements, both virtual and face to face, across all industries and sectors. You will also have the chance to hear from employers including Bentley Motors, NHS, and Tesco about the opportunities they deliver through Speakers for Schools. Remember - all our opportunities are fully funded, so there is no cost to the school or student, and we offer placements in school holidays as well as in term time.

The date of the webinar is **1st March at 6.30pm**. Please could we ask that you send out the attachment to students and their parents and carers, along with the registration link below.

The registration link is below...

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/virtual-hybrid-work-experience-session-for-parentscarers-of-14-19-yr-old-tickets-517668639837>

Law & Finance Career Opportunities

At UCL or Live online

We are delighted to offer your students opportunities in 5 Law & Finance-related industries at UCL this term. The programmes provide **an opportunity for students to learn from top professionals, including barristers, MPs, corporate lawyers, investment bankers and hedge fund managers**. Highlights include:

- Participate in a mock murder trial
- Public speaking coaching by barristers
- Negotiate in an M&A deal
- Learn how to value stocks & shares

Plus, Q&A time with all the professionals and guidance on university

[Our Programmes – InvestIN Education](#)

Careers in Medicine – Work experience

For students aged 14-18 considering careers in medicine, we've got a few work experience projects they can get involved with. Each one can help them decide if a career in medicine is the right choice and provide some stand out work experience for applications to med school

- [Medicine Work Experience Week In London](#) - February 12th - 18th 2023. 1 week in person course including accommodation, meals and teacher supervision. Students visit different hospitals in London for work experience.
- [Virtual Medicine Work Experience Week](#) - February 20th - 24th 2023. 1 week online course where hundreds of students take part, gaining work experience through different activities each day, hosted by our team of practising UK NHS doctors.

[Online Radiology Work Experience](#) - Saturday March 4th 2023 - Another free session we are running for all budding medics. Interactive day where students can get involved in diagnosing patients with our NHS doctors. Simply join through the link we've 1,500 places available Have a good week.

Have a good week.



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