CAREERS NEWSLETTER

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CAREERS DAY - TUESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2025

The Careers Department has organised a Careers Day for all students, offering an exciting opportunity to participate in a variety of virtual talks from professionals in employment and higher education. This event is designed to give students valuable insights into a wide range of career paths and opportunities, providing essential labour market information and expand their understanding of higher education courses. Βv attending, students will be better equipped to make informed desicions about their future steps.

We have nearly 150 talks students can participate in, including Careers in the Space Industry, Women in Engineering, Applying to Medicine, Starting your own business, Why go to University and Directing in films & commercials.

The timings for the day are as follows:-

- 9.00am 9.45am Session 1
- 10.05am 10.50am Session 2
- 10.50am 11.10am BREAK
- 11.15am 12.00pm Session 3
- 12.20pm 1.05pm Session 4
- 1.05pm 2.00pm LUNCH
- 2.00pm 2.45pm Session 5
- 3.05pm 3.50pm Session 6

Key dates to view and sign up

- Sign up is on a first come first served basis via the Student Intranet, however all of our zoom licences are 500 capacity or over.
- Students can **view the programme** from **Monday 20 January,** with more information given out during tutorial sessions
- L6 Students can sign up from Monday 27 January at 10.50am for a minimum of 4 talks and maximum of 6 talks
- U6 Students can sign up from Monday 3 February at 10.50am for a minimum of 3 talks and a maximum of 6 talks
- Sign up will close on Friday 7 February at 2.00pm

This event really is an amazing opportunity for students, so please do encourage them to take full advantage of this and sign up early to avoid disappointment.

NB - Students do not need to come into college on Careers Day, however the college and LRC will be open if students prefer to be on campus, with access to computers and headphones.

All lessons and tutorials are suspended to allow students to attend talks.

Students will be able to sign up online in the same way as they sign up for Enrichment. The Intranet will give details of the talk, including information on the speaker and curriculum subjects they link to. It is essential that students attend all the talks they sign up for, as electronic registers will be taken. Parents can explore the wide variety of sessions available and help their child sign up by asking them to share the programme of sessions on the Student Intranet site.



UCAS 2025 (U6 Students)

Students can still apply for UCAS 2025. Please note the important information below:

UCAS Official Deadline: Wednesday 29 January 2025 at 6.00pm (students must apply by this deadline if they want equal consideration for their application)

Buzzword is psc2025

Please encourage your child to apply by Wednesday 22 January at the very latest, as we need to check their application and add a reference before we send to UCAS. Students can contact us on ucas@psc.ac.uk if they have any questions.

Importance of Visiting Universities - All universities deliver online/physical open days, taster days, webinars for both L6 & U6 students. Topics include areas such as choosing your university course, subject taster talks, applying to UCAS, writing a personal statement, student finance, preparing for university study and student life. Students can sign up for alerts/events via <u>Unitasterdays</u> or <u>UCAS</u>



The college has held this national quality award for careers education, information, advice & guidance for a number of years. We are working towards reassessment in the summer of 2025, demonstrating our commitment to maintaining our high level of service to students.

PROGRESSION FAIR - Thursday 6 March

Sports Building 10.30 - 2.00pm. With nearly 100 exhibitors, ranging from universities, to employers and organisations, this is an excellent opportunity for students to collect information & resources to investigate their options.

Virtual Insight days & Work Experience

Speakers for Schools offer these opportunities with top companies in a range of different industries. They can help students decide what they want to do and is something they can talk about when applying to university, apprenticeships and jobs. Find information here. As a college we will assume parents consent to students participating and provide a reference, unless you contact us to withdraw this consent. Students are asked to inform parents when they sign up. Other useful sites for opportunities include Uptree, Springpod and Forage.

Upcoming Events for Parents

Wednesday 22 January - Higher Education Funding Evening for U6 (Virtual) 6.30pm This event is aimed at parents of students that intend to enter higher education in September 2025. A local university will be hosting the webinar, covering how and when students apply, along with explaining the loans and financial support available. U6 Parents will receive further details with this newsletter.

NB Students can attend talks on Student Finance & Budgeting during Careers Day.

Tuesday 25 February - Oxbridge Information Advice Evening for L6 Parents (Virtual) 6.30pm

Aim is to provide parents with an overview and understanding of the application process and how to support your child if they are looking to apply to Oxford or Cambridge. Further information will be sent shortly.

NB Students will have an opportunity to attend an Introductory Talk on Oxbridge at college. More information can be found on the Oxbridge Intranet site.

<u>Calendar Dates</u>

Tuesday 21 January - Art Foundation Deadline 10 - 14 February - National Apprenticeship Week 3 - 8 March - National Careers Week w/c 10 March - Symonds Lecture Programme for L6 commences again, with Careers focus Monday 27 March - L2 Mock Interview Day

