



Careers Newsletter - February 2021

Dear Student and Parent or Carer

I would like to share some recent activities and provide you with some useful information.

Year 13:

January was a busy month for all working towards the university application (UCAS) January deadline. This was the 'equal consideration' deadline, meaning that all applications received by this date will be considered equally. If the deadline was missed and a student still wants to apply this can be done by applying as a **late applicant** (up until 30th June). This will mean that when the on-time applications have been sorted late applicants will be considered for any spaces left. **For further assistance with making a late application or UCAS Extra contact the careers team for further help: careers@wsfc.ac.uk.**

Student Finance: Following the Worcester University Student Finance video further information can be found at: www.gov.uk/contact-student-finance-england.

To sign-up for an alert to tell you when finance applications will be open go to: <https://studentfinance.campaign.gov.uk/>

Student **grants/bursaries/sponsorship** should be explored by contacting the universities that have been applied to. Also look to: <https://www.ucas.com/finance/additional-funding>

Non-University Students: Our non-university/gap year students have been emailed inviting them to organise a careers interview. Interviews are being

arranged to take place after half-term. Email your request to: lin.bingley@wsfc.ac.uk.

Also, it is **National Apprenticeship week** this week. There are lots of activities being advertised on our 'Impact Opportunities' site that students have access to.

A relevant local apprenticeship provider is **Hereford and Worcester Group Training Association**. They offer a range of apprenticeships with local companies, specialising in Engineering, Accountancy, Business Administration, Management and Customer Service apprenticeships (to watch their video: [HWGTA Schools Presentation 2020 on Vimeo](#))

On **Tuesday 9th February** from 5pm – 7.30pm you are invited to join their on-line open evening. To attend, register using the following link: www.hwgta.org/register (you will be sent an email with joining instructions)

On **Wednesday 10th February at 3pm** there is a **live Question and Answer session** just for WSFC students, with advisers at HWGTA and three current apprentices. **Some of them are ex-WSFC students!** You will be able to ask the advisers and the apprentices questions about getting an apprenticeship. You can attend this session via this link: Microsoft Teams meeting
[Click here to join the meeting](#)
[Learn More](#) | [Meeting options](#)

For general apprenticeship information contact the local Worcestershire Apprenticeships Hub: <https://worcsapprenticeships.org.uk/>

Year 12:

The focus this month for Year 12 students is to start thinking about and exploring future options. This week students will be asked to participate in the '**Where Next**' **tutorial sessions** focusing on University and Non-University options.

The 'West Midlands Aim Higher virtual careers fair' provides lots of useful information, and especially for those interested in going to University.

CAREERS FAYRE 2021! A VIRTUAL CAREERS FAIR, DELIVERING IMPARTIAL CAREERS INFORMATION, ADVICE AND GUIDANCE

<https://aimhigherwm.ac.uk/careers-fayre-2021/>



Foundation Year Students:

Most students in their foundation year have now had a discussion with a college careers adviser about their future-plans, either by telephone or teams. Ongoing support will be available to help students to explore their most suitable options. To enable us to provide this support it is important that students always respond when they have been contacted.

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