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SPECIAL EDITION April 2020

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### Special Virtual Edition – Easter 2020

Countries may be in lockdown but learning and careers learning is still going on, possibly even more vibrantly and energetically than ever. This special edition careers bulletin snapshots events you can attend virtually and careers resources you can access wherever you are in the world this Easter. It also includes some ideas for super-curricular learning and #DofEwithaDifference.

I will be on the end of my email ([aglubb@mayfieldgirls.org](mailto:aglubb@mayfieldgirls.org)) for the duration of the holiday if you have any career-related or DofE questions, and will be tweeting and retweeting regularly on the Mayfield Careers Department Twitter feed [@MGCareersDept](https://twitter.com/MGCareersDept).

Wishing you all a safe and happy Easter.

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### VIRTUAL OPEN DAYS

Given the current circumstances, university open days for the summer have now all been cancelled. However many universities do have virtual campus tours, as well as many other resources on their websites, so you can find out more about the university and what it is like to study there. UCAS have compiled a useful list here: [www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/open-days-and-events/virtual-tours](https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/open-days-and-events/virtual-tours)

For details of other online activities including "Life at ..." webinars for parents and students, Q&A sessions, and a chance to talk to current students the Uni Tasters Days website may be of interest: <https://www.unitasterdays.com/search.aspx>

### THINKING ABOUT UNI IN THE STATES?

UES Education (<https://www.ueseducation.com/about>) are hosting a US Universities Webinar on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 18:00-19:00 (UK time). There will be the opportunity to interact with the Admissions Officers from five US colleges including NYU, Florida State and University of Southern California. Register for the webinar here: [bit.ly/2Uv1qGn](https://bit.ly/2Uv1qGn)

### CREATIVE CAREERS

Creative Choices (<https://ccskills.org.uk/careers>) is part of the Creative and Cultural Skills Hub and is a resource for anyone that wants to work in a creative career. They have information about jobs, advice articles and blogs from practitioners in the creative sector.

### ONLINE CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAMMES

InvestIN Education is providing online career experience programmes for students aged 15-18. These programmes give students the opportunity to gain career coaching in a live, interactive environment, from home. Programmes include Young Lawyer, Young Entrepreneur, Young Architect, Young Political Leader, Young Film Maker and Young Computer Scientist. More details of the programmes including the costs from <https://investin.org/collections/live-online-programmes>. April online events are listed here: [InvestIN online events April 2020](https://investin.org/collections/live-online-programmes)

### DofE WITH A DIFFERENCE

Unfortunately Mayfield's Gold, Silver and Bronze Practice DofE Expeditions, along with others in the country, have had to be postponed. But that's no reason for participants not to crack on with the other three aspects of their Award. DofE have come up with *DofE with a Difference* to support participants when they may not be able to continue with their usual activities for Volunteering, Physical and Skills.

<https://www.dofe.org/dofewithadifference>

Of particular relevance are the following pages:

[DofE FAQs for participants](#)

[Doing your DofE during the coronavirus outbreak.pdf](#)

[DofEwithadifference - Activity ideas](#)

Do let me know if you come up with some good ideas. Izzy in Year 10 sent me a photo of the bird box she made at home as part of her Silver Award activities and her photo was then picked up by DofE for their weekly feel good blog.

### LANGUAGE CHALLENGE

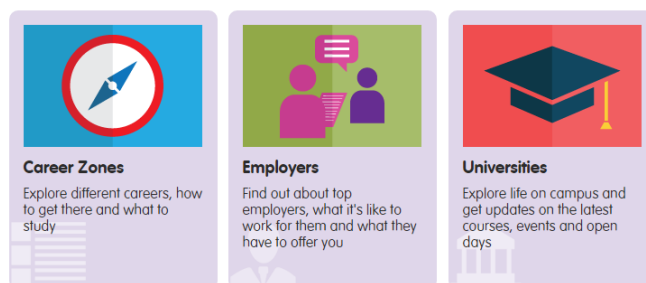
If you fancy learning a new language you can do so for free through Duolingo. The site includes French, German, Japanese, Norwegian, Russian, Navaho, Esperanto, Klingon and High Valyrian ... For more information go to: <https://www.duolingo.com>

### FIRST AID SELF-TEACH

St John Ambulance have put together an online First Aid programme. Whilst it is of particular use to the DofE girls to refresh their learning, First Aid is a life skill everyone should have. You can download the workbook here: [SJA self-teach First Aid workbook](#)

### CAREERS EXPLORATION

In addition to a careers zone database, information about top employers and a section on universities, Success at School (<https://successatschool.org>) have created a careers action plan template to help with careers exploration over the next few weeks. It can be downloaded here: [Careers Action Plan pdf](#)



### CIVIL ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

The Institute of Chartered Engineers offers undergraduate scholarships to students due to start the first year of a JBM accredited full-time civil engineering degree course in the UK. The scholarship is worth up to £8,000 plus early links to potential employers. The current application period closes on **20th April**. For more information go to: <https://www.ice.org.uk/careers-and-training/quest-scholarships>

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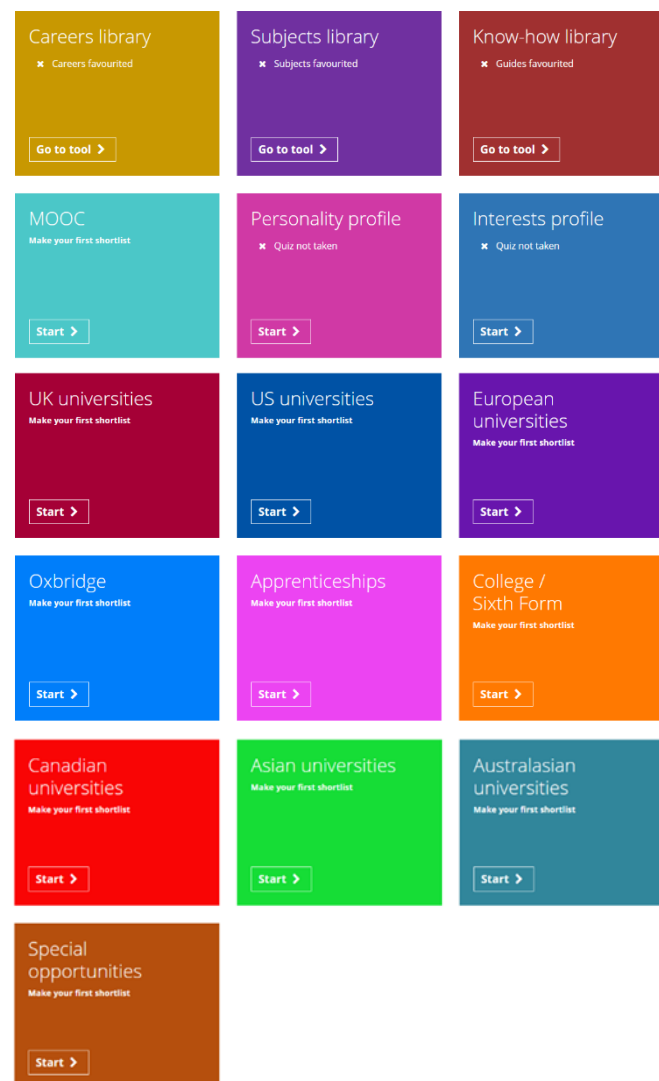
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### UNIFROG

Below is a snapshot of just some of the resources available on Unifrog. All girls at Mayfield in Year 9 and above (and their parents, and academic staff) have access to Unifrog for career exploration, labour market information, MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses), and universities and courses across the globe. It is accessible through the school web site portal or through this link <https://www.unifrog.org/>

Girls and staff should log in using their Mayfield email address; any forgotten passwords can be reset on the login page. Any parent wishing to log in for the student experience should go to <https://www.unifrog.org/code>. Enter the code **parentmayfield** and your own details (not those of your daughter) and you will have your own student account to allow you to complete research and access information. You can, should you wish, even find out what kind of frog you are with a Briggs-Meyers type personality test ...



### FINANCIAL HELP WITH UNIVERSITY

As well as providing access to scholarships, grants and bursaries for university, **The Scholarship Hub** also provides advice on student finance including budgeting and money management, and lists degree apprenticeships. Registration is required to access the free database; additional add-on services are available at a low cost. <https://www.thescholarshipub.org.uk/>

Also available is **Grant Fairy**, an app that also sources "free" money. For more information go to <https://www.grantfairy.com/>

### AND SOME OF THE BEST OF THE REST

- In a UK first, **Hastings Contemporary Gallery** and Bristol Robotics Lab have teamed up to offer robot-assisted gallery tours. People interested in experiencing the new tours can email [info@hastingscontemporary.org](mailto:info@hastingscontemporary.org)
- The Internet Archive has established a national **Emergency Library** which is providing access to over a million eBooks to help with remote learning. You can visit the library at <https://archive.org/details/nation>
- Volunteer at **The Missing Maps**. This is a humanitarian project that maps parts of the world that are vulnerable to natural disasters, conflicts, and disease epidemics. It was founded in November 2014 by the American Red Cross, British Red Cross, Humanitarian OpenStreetMap Team, and Médecins Sans Frontières/Doctors Without Borders and has so far mapped large towns and cities in countries such as South Sudan, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and the Central African Republic. If you have time on your hands, or you need to change your DoE volunteering activity because of the coronavirus, this could be a worthwhile thing to do. To find out more go to <https://twitter.com/TheMissingMaps> or <https://www.missingmaps.org/>
- The **British Red Cross** have prepared a **Kindness Calendar** for young people to complete. It is available to download free here: [Red Cross Kindness Calendar](#)
- The Smallpeice Trust have launched **Engineering @ Home STEM Challenges**. This challenge turns materials you would normally send out in your recycling into something that you can design, build and test. The projects are for all ages and will cover a variety of different topics. The first challenge is to **build the best rubber band-powered car**. To watch the instructional video [click here](#); for written instructions [click here](#). Share photos and videos of your rubber band car with your teachers, and on social media using the hashtag #SmallpeiceRBCC.