

Careers education takes many forms at Mayfield. This half term the Year 11s are enjoying Life Skills sessions looking at their own A Level choices and personal 'route maps' as well as learning about the gig economy, portfolio careers and understanding that although career plans may not always run in a straight line they can still be very successful. Meanwhile the Year 12 girls have been having their independent 1:1 Careers guidance interviews with professional careers counsellors from My Future Starts here – a perfect opportunity for an impartial discussion and some next steps identified – and the Year 8s have discovered a little about what it's like to be a polar explorer and author with a live satellite link from Arctic Alaska.

Next half term will see the return of the Careers Information Evening on Monday 7th March for pupils in Year 9 and above, career-related workshops for Lower School pupils, the Mayfield Young Entrepreneur Challenge for Year 8s, and talks and workshops for Year 12s on degree apprenticeships, how to write winning applications, interview techniques and assessment centres, and employment contracts and policies. Nothing if not varied, I'm sure you'll agree!

Boarders who would like to attend events mentioned in this bulletin in person should speak to their Housemistress, while parents should look out for the events that are aimed at them in this edition. Finally, a reminder that all times listed in this are UK (GMT +00) times.

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CAREERS IN BUSINESS – PARENT INSIGHT WEBINAR

Tuesday 1st February, 18:30-19:15

Parents of Year 10 upwards

Deloitte is running a Deloitte apprenticeship parents' insight webinar on Tuesday 1st February at 18.30. This is open to students who might be interested in a career in business and their parents, and will cover the range of apprenticeship opportunities Deloitte offers including Audit, Consulting, Financial, Legal and Tax. For more details and to register, go to [Deloitte Parents' Insight Webinar Tickets, Tue, Feb 1, 2022 at 6:30 PM | Eventbrite](#)

INSIGHT EVENTS – FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Parents of Year 11 upwards

From February to April, PwC are running a range of themed sessions for students and parents to help students feel prepared for their career search. Sessions include: 'Building your confidence and personal brand', 'How to prepare for an interview' and 'The skills we look for'. They are also running career insight events where you'll hear from PwC people from across the business on what they do and showcasing the range of career opportunities they offer. You'll also hear from some of their recent joiners from the Flying Start and School and College Leaver programmes, who'll be happy to answer any of your questions and share their experiences so far. To register, click on the links below.

Wednesday 2nd February 2022, 17:00-18:00

[Virtual Classroom – PwC Career Insights](#)

Tuesday 8th February 2022, 17:00-18:00

[Virtual Classroom – Preparing for the application process](#)

Thursday 10th February 2022, 16:30-17:30

[Virtual Classroom – PwC Career Insights](#)

Thursday 24th February 2022, 17:00-18:00

[Virtual Classroom – How to prepare for an interview](#)

Tuesday 1st March 2022, 17:00-18:00

[Virtual Classroom – PwC Career Insights](#)

Thursday 10th March 2022, 16:30-17:30

[Virtual Classroom – PwC Career Insights](#)

Tuesday 15th March 2022, 17:00-18:00

[Virtual Classroom – The skills we look for](#)

Tuesday 22nd March 2022, 18:00-19:00

[Virtual Classroom – Supporting young people with applications \(Parent and Teacher\)](#)

Wednesday 30th March 2022, 17:00-18:00

[Virtual Classroom – Preparing for the application process](#)

Thursday 7th April 2022, 17:00-18:00

[Virtual Classroom – How to prepare for an interview](#)

EDT VIRTUAL STEM COURSE

Starting Wednesday 9th February

Years 9 and 10

The Engineering Development Trust (EDT) is offering a series of virtual courses on routes into STEM careers. Designed for students aged 13+, the courses give an insight into career pathways in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. The courses are approximately 20 hours long and need to be completed over three weeks from 10th February to 3rd March; they lead to a Bronze Industrial Cadets award. More details are available here: [Routes into STEM | EDT \(etrust.org.uk\)](https://etrust.org.uk)

SUCCESS BEYOND SCHOOL: SEMINARS FOR PARENTS

Parents of Year 8 upwards

Run by InvestIN, these free live online seminars featuring career experts are designed to help parents amplify their children's career potential.

Wednesday 9th February: Making it in Medical Sciences

Expert advice on breaking into medicine, dentistry and veterinary science.

Wednesday 9th March: Women in Business

Inspiring entrepreneurship in our young women

Wednesday 23rd March: The Ultimate Career Experience

Everything you need to know about InvestIN's life-changing Summer Experiences

Wednesday 6th April: The Career Workshop

Helping your child to choose their future with confidence

Wednesday 4th May: Through the Magnifying Glass

Uncover your child's future in forensic science

For more information or to register for any of these seminars, go to: [Events for Parents | InvestIN](#)

ENGINEERING APPRENTICESHIP INFORMATION

Friday 11th February

Year 11 upwards

The Women's Engineering Society is holding an Apprenticeship Showcase on Friday 11th February which will feature panels of current engineering apprenticeships sharing their experiences and answering questions from students. Register at [Engineering Apprenticeships Showcase \(hubilo.com\)](https://hubilo.com)

DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS IN GOVERNMENT

Application closing date: Monday 14th February

Year 13

The Government Economic Service Degree Apprenticeship Programme (GES-DAP) is a four-year programme that offers the opportunity to work in a central government department or agency on some of the most important social, environmental and economic issues the UK faces, all while earning a salary and studying for a degree in economics with the University of Kent. The course is fully funded so there are no tuition fees. Apprentices will work in central government departments in London and nationwide. Once complete, graduates will have an apprenticeship, an Economics degree, and the experience of four years' working in the Civil Service – putting them in an excellent position to progress their career.

To find out more about the GES Economist Degree Apprenticeship go to:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-government-economic-service-degree-level-apprenticeship

MEDICINE WEBINARS

Sunday 27th February

Year 11 upwards

Inspire Medics has organised a series of free monthly webinars for students in Year 12 who want to study medicine. Their next online talk is on **Sunday 27th February** when two doctors will talk about how to get work experience for medical school. To book a place use the link here: [Get into Medical School: How to Get Work Experience?](#)

UNIFROG NEXT STEPS STUDENT FAIR

Tuesday 8th March

Year 9 upwards

Unifrog are hosting their first **Next Steps Student Fair** on Tuesday 8th March. Mayfield students will be able to hear directly from employers, universities, apprenticeship providers and careers experts in live sessions, and drop into virtual booths to speak with them instantly. There are currently more than 50 universities and employers in attendance, including PwC, ITV, and Cambridge University. Students must register in advance via this link [Unifrog Next Steps Fair](#) or via the webinar section on their Unifrog accounts.

OXBRIDGE CLASSICS OPEN DAY

Monday 21st March, 10:00-16:00

Year 11 upwards

The 2022 Oxbridge Classics Open Day will take place on 21st March, 10.00-16:00 at the Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge. This event offers a chance to find out more about applying to study Classics at Oxford and Cambridge, with course presentations and taster lectures. This event is open for students to attend in person or online. Early booking is advised. For more details go to: [Oxbridge Classics Open Day Registration, Mon 21 Mar 2022 at 10:00 | Eventbrite](#)

GRESHAM LECTURES

Various dates; online and in person

Year 11 upwards

The Gresham series of lectures are perfect for curious minds, Oxbridge aspirants, EPQ research, and preparation for university applications and interviews generally. For details of the full programme please go to [Lectures \(gresham.ac.uk\)](#). For lectures aimed specifically at students for university application and EPQ purposes click here: [Schools and Colleges \(gresham.ac.uk\)](#)

ONLINE DRAMA WORKSHOPS

Year 8 upwards

GT Scholars is promoting City Bridge's free, online drama workshops for young people of all ages. The workshops cover scriptwriting, improv, film, comedy, monologues, Shakespeare, and more. Participating students will receive an e-certificate for each workshop they complete. They take place on Sunday mornings from 10.00-11.00. More details here: [Online Drama Workshops Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite](#)

VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Year 10 upwards

For all things career-related including virtual work experience with leading organisations, university Open Day listings, articles, podcasts, and degree taster courses, Springpod should be a go-to site. They have just released details of new virtual work experience opportunities with companies across a range of industries including healthcare, politics, finance, engineering, accountancy and IT. For more details on their full offer go to [It's time to take control of your future | Springpod](#)

LINKEDIN MASTERCLASS

Year 12 upwards

In November 2021, SpringPod hosted a popular LinkedIn Masterclass which is now available for free download via this link: [Linked In Masterclass](#). The 50-minute long session contains advice on how to build professional networks early on, how to get established before the graduate rush, interacting with start-ups and industry leaders, and why a strong, active LinkedIn profile can be a valuable asset.

YEAR IN INDUSTRY?

Year 12 upwards

The Year in Industry (YINI) is aimed at students aged over 17 who are keen to spend a year working in the UK in technology, computing, science, engineering, business, marketing or finance. It is perfect for those who might be undecided about university and higher education. In addition many students go on to secure university sponsorship following a YINI placement. Run by EDT Industrial Cadets, the YINI team is offering zoom sessions for students to find out more about the scheme and placements on offer. For more details and to book a Zoom session please go to [Placements \(age 17 & over\) | EDT \(etrust.org.uk\)](#)

HIGHER AND DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP LISTINGS

The Higher and Degree apprenticeship vacancy listing showcases hundreds of vacancies from various employers starting in the coming months. Higher and degree apprenticeships are a great way to gain valuable and relevant work experience, a salary, and a degree – without accumulating any debt. You can apply for these apprenticeships and a place at university at the same time so no door is closed. The last version of the listing from November 2021 is available to download here: [Higher and degree apprenticeships - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) An updated listing will be launched during National Apprenticeship Week, 7th – 13th February 2022.

MAYFIELD CAREERS INFORMATION EVENING

Monday 7th March, 19:00-20:30

Many thanks to those parents who have already responded to our request for presenters at this event. However, we do need more careers represented so please do get involved: [I can help with the Mayfield Careers Evening](#)