# Choosing the way forward...

# Careers support during these uncertain times



As the COVID-19 (coronavirus) continues to affect our daily lives, there are still important actions that you can take to continue making plans and decisions for your future studies and career plans, especially when working from home. There are numerous tools and resources available to support you and your family to research and explore future pathways. Please find below ideas and information to help you navigate your way through in these difficult times.

### University

We are seeing an increase in online events being offered by universities: webinars, virtual tours, on-line chats...

#### Newman University (Birmingham) are offering:

- Student Finance : Tuesday 5 May (11am)
- Introduction to Higher Education: Wednesday 6 May (11am)
- Year 10, 11 and Sixth Form Student and Parent / Carer University
   Information Webinar: Thursday 7 May (5pm)
- Routes Into Teaching: Monday 11 May (11am)
- How To Write An Effective Personal Statement: Wednesday 13 May (2pm)
- Student Finance : Friday 15 May (11am)
- How To Make A Successful UCAS Application : Monday 18 May (10am)
- Introduction to Higher Education : Tuesday 19 May (2pm)
- Making The Most Of Virtual Open Days : Tuesday 26 May (11am)
- How To Make A Successful UCAS Application : Thursday 28 May (2pm)

UCAS - Here's a list of virtual tours and videos from universities and colleges, so you can see what it's like on campus and what facilities are available.

https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/open-days-and-events/virtual-tours

# UNITASTERDAYS have launched a new online events on their website: Unitasterdays

UniTasterDays are delivering university guidance webinars every Tuesday lunchtime for the rest of the academic year, to support post-16 students considering university. Different guest universities will attend each week, delivering sessions on important aspects of university guidance with a moderated Q&A - scheduled during the lunch break.

Events are free to attend and will start at 12pm – finishing at 12.45pm. Starting with a student finance masterclass on Tuesday April 28th with guest universities Bucks New University and Coventry University. Book your place now: <u>Unitasterdays Tuesdays</u>

# UK University and Apprenticeship Search Webinar Wednesdays

**Every Wednesday at 12pm**, you can access a free, live webinar with experts from across the country.

Opportunity to explore How Choose a University, UCAS Applications, Student Finance, Taking an Apprenticeship and Life at University. Spaces are limited, so please register on Zoom to book your spot. Due to high demand these will also be live-streamed on YouTube channel, be sure to <a href="mailto:subscribe">subscribe</a> here</a> to ensure you don't miss out.

#### **Support from Employers**



Grant Thornton

The Grant Thornton Trainee Recruitment Team has created a series of live webinars to help school leavers and graduates improve their skills and land the right job. Please follow the link below: Grant Thornton - employability webinars

## **Apprenticeships**

Free self-study resource – interactive student apprenticeship guide for students in Y12 and Y13. 10 hours of self-directed learning activities.

This resource will equip you with the essential information about apprenticeships and guide you through how to research and apply for apprenticeships. Download now by clicking on the link: <a href="Mailto:Amazing">Amazing</a>
<a href="Apprenticeships-Student Guide">Apprenticeships-Student Guide</a>

## **Further resources and support**

Visit our school website for more information available for our parents and students. These pages also contain information about our school careers strategy and programme: CEIAG at Hanley Castle High School

Useful websites available for both PARENTS and STUDENTS to access careers support and guidance:

<u>Skills4Worcestershire</u> <u>eCLIPS</u> (password: keaffa71) <u>Career Pilot</u>

Students requiring any help or support with any aspect of careers guidance, making choices and decisions for the future, can contact Mrs Price (Careers Leader): <a href="mailto:pricel@hanleycastlehs.org.uk">pricel@hanleycastlehs.org.uk</a>