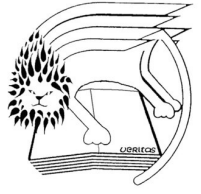


# CEIAG AT ST MARK'S NEWS



## Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance

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This is the first CEIAG Newsletter of 2020.


As you are aware our education system requires young people to make choices, while they are still in school, that have implications for their future progression opportunities when they leave St Mark's (either at the end of Year 11 or Year 13).

As a school we take seriously our role in helping students with their choices and transitions, but also in equipping them with the skills to deal with future career decisions.

**Apprenticeship Activity pack for Year 7**




Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Department for Education 


Young people often turn to their parents for advice long before they seek the opinion of teachers and careers advisers. In these newsletters we hope to keep you provided with good quality careers information and access to helpful resources.

Our Careers Programme is planned to ensure that all students spend some time each academic year on careers education. These CEIAG Newsletters will inform you of some of the things that have been happening and key events that will be happening, during this academic year.

**Apprenticeship Activity pack for Year 8**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_

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We are also asking for your help and assistance with a specific activity we are running at the end of the school year, on **Thursday 16th July** and inviting you to help us with other aspects of the careers education and guidance we wish to give to our students.

During National Apprenticeship Week in February 2020, all students in Years 7-10 had lessons on apprenticeships and were given the opportunity to learn about the wide range of apprenticeships that are currently available. Some of our KS3 students who put excellent effort into completing their Apprenticeship booklets were awarded with certificates.

### Key facts:

Apprenticeships are available to anyone over the age of 16, living in England

Apprenticeships have four levels, intermediate, advanced, higher and degree

An apprentice will spend 20% of their time off-the-job training

For more information about apprenticeships, visit:

[www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/parents/their-career](http://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/parents/their-career)

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Earlier in the academic year, a former student Joe Spragg, came into school to launch the 'Step into the NHS' lessons for our Year 9 students. Joe spoke about the academic route and training he took, after completing his A levels at St Mark's, that led to him becoming a physiotherapist. He explained the varied role of a physiotherapist. Through the following lessons students were made aware of the huge range of career opportunities available within the NHS.



Many of our Year 11 students have been receiving individual careers advice and guidance from Aman Kaur, our Careers Adviser from the Hounslow Connexions Team.

#### KEY CAREER EVENTS COMING UP !

Wednesday 24th June:  
Higher Education Evening

Tuesday 30th June: Year 10  
Careers Workshop

Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th July: Year 10 Careers Days

In January, a small group of students who are considering College or an Apprenticeship after Year 11, attended the 'Zone In' event in January, organised by the Hounslow Connexions Team. It provided them with an opportunity to meet representatives from the Colleges and look at alternative pathways.

In school we have particular members of staff in school who ensure our students are clear of career opportunities that can come through STEM subjects (science, technology, engineering and mathematics). Some girls in Year 9 with a keen interest in STEM subjects had the opportunity to meet women in top level science and engineering positions, on a STEM trip. However, each curriculum area is able to demonstrate how studies, for example, in arts, humanities and languages is able to link to the world of work.

#### Labour Market Information

When it comes to careers, we all need access to good-quality information about the opportunities available and the progression options that follow from them.

Career and labour market information covers not only the nature of jobs, qualifications and training, pay levels and so on but details about the employers and organisations providing the jobs and information about the wider economy.

[http://www.lmiforall.org.uk/explore\\_lmi/](http://www.lmiforall.org.uk/explore_lmi/)

LMI For All is a website that provides information about the UK labour market. (*LMI for All was originally funded by the UK Commission for Employment and Skills (UKCES). UKCES closed down in early 2017 and the project was taken over by the Department for Education (DfE). The contract is currently awarded to a consortium led by the Institute for Employment Research at the University of Warwick with technical development being undertaken by Pontydysgu.*)

They have a 'Careerometer widget' that can be used to explore and compare key information about occupations and help students identify potential careers.

It provides access to a selection of UK headline data relating to pay, weekly hours of work and future employment prospects for different occupations, as well as description of the occupation.



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#### OPPORTUNITIES!

1. When they have finished their GCSE exams, this summer, Year 11 students may want to consider securing some work experience. Cisco are advertising work experience opportunities from 6-10th July at Bedfont Lakes, Feltham.

The deadline for applications is 9th April 2020.

Technical in Bedfont Lakes, Feltham – <https://www.s4snextgen.org/Opportunities/View/id/609>

Business in Bedfont Lakes, Feltham – <https://www.s4snextgen.org/Opportunities/View/id/610>

2. Heathrow are advertising a number of Engineering Apprenticeships, with different levels of entry. The start date is August 2020.

For more information, please go here: <https://www.heathrow.com/company/careers/early-careers/engineering-apprenticeships>

3. RBS also have apprenticeship and work opportunities.

Lots of **information for students** can be found at:

<https://careerkickstart.rbs.com/>

and **for parents** at: <https://careerkickstart.rbs.com/parents/>

4. Summer Internships in Medicine, Investment Banking, Law, Engineering and Tech are also being offered by a company called InvestIN. These do come at a cost and are for ages 15-18. They have been reviewed favourably by some students who have taken part in previous years.

<https://investin.org/collections/programmes>

We are not endorsing any of these companies but making you aware of some of the opportunities that are out there.

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#### Invitation and request to parents and carers

We are wanting CEIAG at St Mark's to be not just good but **OUTSTANDING!**

In order to achieve this we know we need to network and connect with organisations and individuals who can add value to our Careers Programme.

We would like to build a network of parents/carers, alumni and their recommended contacts who would be interested in:

- ◆ coming into school to speak to a group of students
- ◆ able to help with mock interviews
- ◆ interested in mentoring
- ◆ offering work experience
- ◆ providing opportunities for students to have encounters in the workplace — specifically workplace visits — (we are particularly interested in this for our Business Studies students).

If you can help us with this please fill in the separate form and return to Mrs. Ferguson:

[fergusont@st-marks.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:fergusont@st-marks.hounslow.sch.uk)

#### REQUEST

If any of you with experience of interviewing are able to help with our Year 10 mock interviews on Thursday, 16th July, please email Mrs. Ferguson:

[fergusont@st-marks.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:fergusont@st-marks.hounslow.sch.uk)

Please mark the subject of the email: Mock interviews.

**Thank you for all your support**