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Date: 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear Parent / Carer, please see below information on apprenticeships, careers, courses and degrees.

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## Thomas Alleyne's Careers Fair

We are very excited to announce that, once again, Thomas Alleyne's will be hosting our Careers Fair. All students from Years 7- Year 13 from all Utttoxeter schools are warmly invited to join us on 25<sup>th</sup> of January, 2024, from 6-8pm.



Exhibitors include Universities, Colleges, Local and National Businesses, EfficTech, John German, The Hex Group, The Royal Navy and the NHS to name a few!

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## Staffordshire University Student Opportunities 2024.

### 'Ask the Biomedical Scientist' Webinar

Following the success of our 'Ask the ODP' webinar last month, we will be adding to the series of course insights with an **'Ask the Biomedical Scientist' Webinar on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024**. In this 30 minute webinar, students will hear from a Biomedical Scientist around why they should explore courses in Biomedical Science alongside career pathways in the field.

**Ask the Biomedical Scientist – 16<sup>TH</sup> January 2024**

**Sign up here:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/staffordshire-university-ask-the-biomedical-scientist-tickets-775464444027>

### Sports Expo Week – Spring Term

Following the success of our Autumn term Sports Expo Week, our wonderful school of sport will be opening up their doors again in the new year to welcome even more post-16 students onto campus to take part in the masterclass sessions.

The 1 day sessions will be taking place from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March and you can find a programme of the day attached alongside details of the two programmes on offer (Sports Exercise Science and Therapy or Sports Coaching and Performance).

**To book on to the programme, complete the form below:**

<https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=8nivV33IZkS3u2tsyZ7RJGC7H4N7s0ZKqaH1Wa1euDBUMTROUEJHWFJCMIFPRE5RVjY1VDJITkMwQS4u>

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## King's College London Medicine and Dentistry Lecture Series 2024

This programme is for students **across the UK in Year 11, 12, and 13**, who have only attended non-selective state schools since age 11 and are **interested in becoming a doctor or dentist**.

Please circulate this opportunity to students who you think will be interested.

For over three years this online programme has supported students in accessing the hyper-competitive medical and dental degrees by acting as a **hub of support** for their questions and queries. Over the course of the lecture programme students will hear from a variety of speakers to help them make the best application to medicine or dentistry possible! Last year's lectures included the following:

Medical and dental specialities: paediatrics, prosthodontics, renal transplant, maxillofacial and many more!

Q&A's each week with current medical and dental students.

Support for the application process: UCAT, personal statements, and interviews.

September Q&A with key admissions colleagues in the school of medicine at KCL, UCL, St George's, Queen Mary, and Imperial.

A session on other careers in healthcare with six professionals currently working and teaching in the sector (nursing, dietetics, clinical science, etc.)

Lectures will be held on Wednesday evenings at 6-7.15pm. Our first lecture will be on Wednesday 14th February.

For more information and to apply, [students should follow this link](#). The deadline to apply is **Monday 15th January 2023**.

Finally, here is what some students had to say from last year's programme:

- Student from Tower Hamlets: *This lecture series has established the pros and cons to medicine and dentistry, but it has also communicated how to overcome these cons in an articulate manner. I feel much more educated in the fields of medicine and dentistry as before watching this series, I was always presented the sugar-coated perspective of these fields, which can create a false interpretation of what medicine and dentistry actually entails. **I now know exactly what I want to study** (and what to avoid) which is super helpful as it has eliminated all the feeling of indecision and hesitation that I had!*
- Student from Leicester: *It has really been **effective** into giving me an insight into dentistry and medicine, what they entail and also allowed me to really dig deeper and gain more information about different topics within the jobs and allowed me **to learn a range of new information** much of which I could also include in my personal statement.*
- Student from Bexley: *Through hearing about the experiences of various students and professionals, this lecture series has **confirmed that I truly want to study medicine**. Although the application process can be quite daunting, the lecture series has helped me*



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*gain a better understanding* of how to write a good personal statement, do well in the UCAT, and be prepared for interviews. As well as this, moderators were always more than willing to provide us with advice and information on various topics and parts of the application process.

- Student from Milton Keynes: *Attending the lecture series was **instrumental in confirming my decision to pursue dentistry**. The talks given by dental students shed light on their academic achievements in secondary school, their perspective on dentistry as a fulfilling profession, and they emphasized how the importance of patient satisfaction is a valuable aspect of the dental field.*
- Student from Bedfordshire: *I've always wanted to work in the medical field to help people but did not know what it involved or required. The lecture series has taught me how **huge the medical field really is** and how different yet important all fields are. It has also opened a door for me to also go and study dentistry in the future also. The lecture series has **cemented my aspirations to go and work in the medical field** as it is so interesting and rewarding.*

We hope to see lots of you there! Our [application form can be found here](#).

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## unifrog

We are counting down the days until Unifrog's Apprenticeship Fair! Students, teachers, and parents are all invited to join this virtual fair to learn about the latest opportunities directly from top employers like NHS, BBC, and Lloyds Banking Group.

To help your students make the most out of the fair, set them a task (via our Interactions tool) to complete our worksheet before the day. It will get them thinking about the questions they want to ask, and live sessions they want to attend.

- > [Download the student worksheet](#)
- > [Sign up or share the Apprenticeship Fair](#) (7 Feb, 4:30–7pm)



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## Career corner: IT project manager

### Calling computer-savvy problem solvers!

In this video interview, Emily talks about how she secured her job at PwC through a degree apprenticeship. While she develops technical and industry knowledge, this career also allows her to pursue personal passions and network with people who inspire her.

Did you know... **Unifrog's Apprenticeship tool** is the most comprehensive database of apprenticeships and degree apprenticeships in the UK. Your students can use it to search, filter, and shortlist opportunities like Emily's.

This tool can form a key part of a student's careers learning journey on Unifrog, as they can automatically record research into apprenticeships of all levels. The 'put me in touch' function also connects students with employers so they don't miss out on the latest opportunities.

Click 'use the platform as a student' first to view these links correctly:

- > [Get students to favourite the career guide](#) to receive relevant opportunities
- > [Check out the Apprenticeship tool](#)

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## Upcoming opportunities

**Dyson Institute of Engineering and Technology** - Applications are now open to Y13 students for the Dyson Institute's fully-funded Masters in Engineering programme. This is the start of an accelerated Dyson career with international opportunities to shape the future of engineering and innovation.

[Learn more about Dyson's integrated MEng degree](#)

**Government Economic Service** - Calling Y13 students who want to help shape this country's future while gaining a degree. The Government Economic Service and Social Research Profession offer a trail-blazing degree apprenticeship in economics and social research. Roles available across the UK; salaries start at £24k.

[Learn more about the GES DAP](#)



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**Schroders** - Seeking tech-savvy Y13 students for investment management apprenticeships and traineeships in London and Surrey. Apply across Technology, Client Services, Marketing, Finance, and other areas. All students are encouraged to apply - there are no UCAS requirements, and salaries start from £25k.

[Learn more about Schroder's apprenticeships](#)

**Deloitte** - Career Shapers is a great chance for students to immerse in Deloitte's friendly, diverse community. Explore how different career paths align to each person's unique talents and strengths. Applications open to: Y10-12 in England and Wales, Y12-13 in NI, and S4-5 in Scotland.

[Learn more about the Career Shapers programme](#)

**University of Gloucestershire** - Applications are open for Y10 and Y12 Summer Residentials! Meet other students from across the country, stay on-site in halls of residence, try subject tasters and social activities, and speak to current students about life at UoG.

[Learn more about UoG's summer residentials](#)

**University of Leicester (22 Mar)** - Bookings are open for the university's 16th Annual Teacher and Adviser Conference! Experience the University of Leicester's campus and get a better understanding of their offering.

[Book your place at the conference](#)