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WELCOME BACK!

3-7 January 2022

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Back to school - virtual

On Tuesday 4th January all Year 12 and 13 will access their lessons online to allow for testing in main school. Please attend your lessons as normal using your Class Team. ALL students need to complete a lateral flow test on Tuesday at home. Please report any positive results to school. Please click here for details.

UCAS

Students who have not yet sent their UCAS must do this by **Tuesday 4th January**.

Failure to meet this deadline will mean the school will be unable to check the application thoroughly before sending.

Back to school – in person

return to school on

Wednesday 5th January —

You will conduct another
lateral flow test during form /

Year 12 and Year 13 students

More details will follow.

Period 1.

Y13 Supervised study

Year 13 Students will complete their supervised study periods in N block.

Please check your emails for your new allocated room.

Progress reports

Year 12 parents should now have received their son/daughter's progress reports this week. If you have any general queries regarding these, please do not hesitate to contact the subject teacher in the first instance or Mrs Jennings if you have any other concerns.

Year 13 parents will receive their progress reports after the Christmas break.

Y12 Supervised Study

For this half term, Year 12 students will complete ALL supervised study periods in the Upper Hexagon.

WHATS ON THIS WEEK



CALENDAR

3–7 January 2022

DAY	YEAR 12	YEAR 13	OTHER EVENTS
MONDAY		Bank Holiday	
TUESDAY	Remote learning for Year 12 and 13 students		
WEDNESDAY	Covid testing (am)	Covid testing (am)	
THURSDAY	Assembly Lower Hex	Mentoring	
FRIDAY	Mentoring	Assembly Lower Hex	Year 12 DofE Training Day

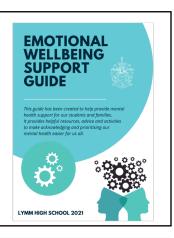
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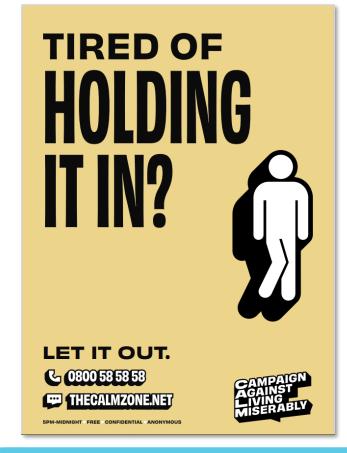


The Campaign Against Living Miserably (CALM) is taking a stand against suicide: standing up to stereotypes, and standing together to show life is always worth living. Its website says that '125 lives are lost every week to suicide, and 75% of all UK suicides are male. We exist to change this.'

CALM does this by provoking conversation, running life-saving services, and bringing people together so they reject living miserably, get help when they need it and don't die by suicide. The website includes information on how to get support, what to do if you're worried about someone, help on specific issues, guides and how to get involved with CALM.

If you need any emotional or mental health support, please refer to our Emotional Wellbeing Support Guide for useful tips, websites and contact numbers.







Applications now open for Sutton Trust Programme 2022



The <u>Sutton Trust US Programme</u> helps state school students in the UK to explore higher education and US culture. The programme includes UK-based residentials before all students get to visit US universities in the summer of 2022. An optional part 2 of the programme supports students to apply to US universities alongside their UCAS options. The programme is free to take part in: all costs are covered for students including travel, accommodation, food and admissions test preparation.

To be eligible, students must:

- Be in Year 12
- Attend, and have always attended, a state-funded school or college
- Not hold US citizenship
- Be from a low- or middle-income family (a household earning £45,000 or less)
- Be interested in US culture and higher education

Students must submit their application by midnight on **16th January 2022** to be considered for the programme. However, we encourage getting started as soon as possible as the application form requires some thinking!

To get more information and to apply, click here.

Leeds Beckett Subject Enhancement Days 18–20th January 2022



To ensure that students fulfil their academic potential and have all the tools to make confident decisions about their progression to higher education, Leeds Beckett University is offering a series of subject enhancement days to give students a taste of university-level teaching. The sessions will also illustrate the varied career paths available for students who choose to study these subjects in higher education.

- Tuesday 18th January (City Campus)

 Law
- Wednesday 19th January (City Campus)
 School of Arts (creative technologies and arts) or Business
- Thursday 20th January (Headingley Campus)
 Events, Tourism and Hospitality Management or Computing

If you are interested in attending any of these subject taster sessions, please email schoolsandcolleges@leedsbeckett.ac.uk.

You've got the power.

UCL Masterclasses



University College London Masterclasses

February 2022

Masterclasses are subject-specific hourlong sessions for students in Year 12 to get an opportunity to have a taste of university.

The masterclasses are designed to introduce Year 12s to subjects that can be studied at university. The hour-long sessions will feature a lecture on a specific topic from UCL academics or students.

The sessions are interactive and students can engage with the presenters. There is also an opportunity at the end to ask questions about the topic presented.

Subject masterclasses include:

- 18th February, 10.30–11.30am

 Architecture
- 17th February, 2.30–3.30pm
 Astrophysics

- 14th February, 10.30–11.30am
 Chemical Engineering
- 16th February, 10.30–11.30am

 Economics
- 16th February, 2.30–3.30pm
 History of Art
- 14th February, 2.30–3.30pm
 Languages
- 17th & 18th February (pm)
- 16th February, 2.30–3.30pm
 Medicine and Medical Sciences
- 15th February, 10.30–11.30amPsychology

Taking part in Masterclasses can be a fantastic way for students to find out more about university subjects.

Applications close on **Sunday 16th January 2022**. To apply and get more information, please <u>click here</u>.

University of Hull

Saturday 15th January



Student support

Find out more about the support available from the University of Hull by watching these videos:

- Financial Support
- <u>Disability inclusion</u>
- Skills team
- Autism support
- Mental health support
- Specific learning difference

For further videos, including Q&As plus bitesize topics, please <u>click here</u>.



APPRENTICESHIPS

FUTURES OPPORTUNITIES

Craft Engineering Apprenticeships at BAE Systems



If you're hands-on and curious about how things work, then a craft engineering apprenticeship could see you creating the technology of tomorrow piece by piece.

By developing skills in areas such as electrics, welding or aircraft fitting, you'll keep people safe by assembling and maintaining everything from state-of-the-art aircraft to submarines.

As an apprentice, you'll gain valuable work experience, develop skills and be supported in your study towards professional qualifications – all whilst earning a salary.

BAE apprentices receive support from managers and mentors who are dedicated to helping them make the most of their programme. With an average of 2000 apprentices in learning, you'll be joining others who'll become great colleagues and friends for life.

There are a wide range of apprenticeships to choose from, across a whole range of engineering and business disciplines. The programmes are grouped according to the qualifications you will need. Simply select the level that's right for you and you'll find a rundown of all the Apprenticeships and locations on offer.

Each opportunity has a 'Search and Apply' button that will take you to a full description of what's involved, and let you make an application.

For further information, and to apply, click here.







HSBC Investing in Futures



13th January, 5-6pm

How to stand out?

An opportunity to get an understanding of what a CV should look like, and hints & tips to help you stand out from the crowd. To register <u>click here</u>.

February

National Apprenticeship Week

A Panel Event with Apprentices and Degree Apprentices.

This will explore the various career routes that are available for a career at HSBC. More details will follow.

17th March, 6–7pm

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An opportunity to get an understanding of what a CV should look like, and hints & tips to help you stand out from the crowd. To register <u>click here</u>.

13th April, 5-6pm

Commercial Awareness

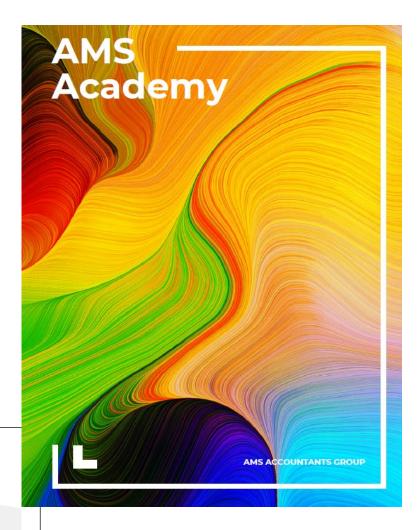
A session that will help you understand what commercial awareness actually is, both on a small and large scale, alongside helping you to begin building this essential life skill for the world of work. To register click here

CAREERS

AMS Academy

AMS is a Top 100 accountancy firm, founded in 1982, offering a diverse range of accountancy, tax and financial services for clients big and small. The range of services on offer include accounting, audit and assurance, specialist medical accountancy services, tax, insolvency and corporate finance.

Through its purpose-built Academy, students and graduates will have the opportunity to join a multi-year





JACOB

WHAT IS YOUR MENTOR LIKE?

"My mentor has helped me progress very quickly by being there to help with what I'm doing, always pushing my learning further by showing me new things and new areas."

WHAT MAKES AMS STAND OUT?

"The company and management are as ambitious as I am, and they're willing to give me a diverse range of jobs that challenge and push me."

WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNT SO FAR?

"I have learned so much in a short space of time, in a large number of areas in accounts and audit. I feel like the pace I'm learning at is increasing day by day." programme, working and studying towards professional qualifications in accountancy or tax. Based in the Manchester Head Office, you will attend classes for 'off-the-job' training through an accredited external provider and 'on-the-job' training in the division you work in.

In addition, you will work closely with your mentor who will support you in your development and help you settle into working life at AMS. You'll be given a formal training plan from your manager to keep you on track to reach your goals.

To find out more and to apply online, click here.







Interested in social work?

January 2022

The purpose of the Virtual Step into Social (SIS) Work Programme for Year 12 students from Warrington Borough Council is to:

- Introduce a career in social work or social care, prior to application for a social work programme or a social care role.
- Provide support for the application and interview process.
- Provide an overview of the role of a social worker and the learning involved to become one.
- Enable potential applicants to make an informed decision about whether a social work programme is right for them, and if not, be able to identify any other career in social care.

The programme will be delivered via MS Teams over a period of 6 weeks from January 2022.

Proposed Outline of Online Programme

(1 hour 45 mins over a period of 6 weeks)

Session	1 Introduction and launch	
	The aims and purpose of the SIS12 programme	26 th Jan
What do you think a good Social Worker looks like?		
•	Role and responsibilities of a Social Worker	
•	Meet a Social Worker - Q and A one from adults and one from children and families	
		1.30-3.15
Session 2 Potential Employers		2 nd Feb
Overview of an LA including Children's/Adults Services		1.30-3.15
		2007/2016/2016
•	Journey of a referral	
Session	n 3 Work-based experiences	3
	Children's and Adults	9th Feb
	An overview of a case scenario- what are your immediate concerns- checklist, what are the strengths with	1.30-3.15
	this family/person, genogram	
•	Adults – strengths, abilities and social network	
Session	4 Overview of learning to be a Social Worker and Reflective Review	
	What the learning entails on a Social Work Degree programme	2 nd March
	What did you learn from your experiences?	1.30-3.15
•	How can you take this learning forward?	1.50-5.15
Session 5 Overview of a range of roles in Social Care		9th March
		1.30-3.15
Session 6 Next Steps		16 th March
•	Tips and useful advice on how to complete a UCAS form if applying to a Social Work programme of a Social Care Programme, Draft UCAs form and Review your own draft UCAS form	1.30-3.15
•	Applying for a job in an LA/Trust	
	Planning for an Interview- do's and don'ts	

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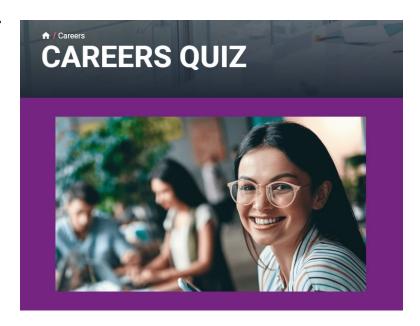


Unsure about which career is right for you?

Not sure what job you might fancy? Visit this <u>webpage</u> to find out which types of jobs may suit you.

You can find your ideal job matched to your personality and a list of courses previous students studied in order to get there.

You can also browse a list of careers to learn about other opportunities.





UNIVERSITIES

On demand webinars

<u>Keele University</u> – Get A Feel For Keele: Medicine and Health Sciences

Staffordshire University – Student finance

<u>Staffordshire University</u> – Sports journalism

Staffordshire University - Employability webinar

Staffordshire University - Personal Statement webinar

Staffordshire University – UCAS process webinar

<u>Staffordshire University</u> – Unibuddies – chat to student ambassadors about course content, student groups and activities, money matters, and what it's like to live in Staffordshire.

The City of Liverpool College - Virtual Open Event

<u>University of Hull</u> – various titles, including factors to consider when choosing a course or university, what life as a student is like, and how to search for and shortlist courses. For the full list, <u>click here</u>.

<u>University of Portsmouth</u> – Welcome to our campus, Why did we choose Portsmouth?.



Wednesday 5th January

<u>Lancaster University</u> – Why Lancaster?, 5–5.45pm

<u>University of London</u> – Virtual UCAS Information Wednesdays

Thursday 6th January

University of East London – UCAS - What you need to know for a successful application, 4.15–5pm

UNIVERSITIES

StudentStream



StudentStream allows you to search, spot and stream videos to help you make the right university choices.

This website is designed to support you as you continue to make important decisions about your next steps.

StudentStream brings together video content featuring vital advice and expert knowledge from universities across the UK in one place.

Whether you need help and advice regarding UCAS personal statements, interviews, choosing courses, work experience, student finance, university campus tours, or open days, StudentStream has it all.

BIRTHDAYS

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J. Gordon

J. Mungai

C. Tomlin

