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CATERING NOTICE

Please note you are not allowed to eat food purchased from third party outlets on these premises.

The only exception to this is a packed lunch from home.

Sixth Form Bulletin

Monday 10th – Friday 14th October



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It's
week



Year 12 talk – Wednesday period 5



Wednesday 12th October period 5 Leeds University are coming to speak to you regarding potential support you are entitled to for your studies.

This could lead to you receiving lower grade offers from up to 14 universities.

You need to go to the **Swann Hall** for the talk.



Year 12 students can prepare now for your future

1. Start researching your options

now

- UCAS for university courses and apprenticeships
- Potential careers you want to pursue
- Attend university open days
- Look at universities websites to see what supra-curricular activities they offer

2. Obtain work experience for your desired career

3. Take part in extra-curricular and supra-curricular activities to boost future applications

4. Check the school bulletin on a weekly basis for opportunities

5. Building strong relationships with your form tutor. They will be writing your references. The more they know you the easier it is for

Every milestone counts!

Every milestone assessment counts towards your predicted grades.

Your DC3 will be the starting point to deciding your predicted grade.

We will also use DC1 and DC2 to determine the accuracy of the predicted grade.

To help make your dreams come true, make sure you are trying your best in ALL key assessments by using your time wisely now.



Realising Opportunities (RO) aims to increase access of under-represented groups of young people to leading universities

It can help you receive lower grade offers to universities. Students who would like to apply for a place on the RO programme need to:

- [Check the full eligibility criteria on the RO website.](#) You can check if your postcode is eligible by visiting the RO website
- Use the student key **HGJERVISM01**
- Go to realisingopportunities.co.uk/apply to enter the Student Application Key and complete the application form.
- Ask your parent/carer to complete the online parent/carer permissions form which will be sent to their email address once you have submitted your application.
- DEADLINE for applications **21st October 2022**

Students will receive confirmation of whether they have been successful in gaining a place on RO by **6 January 2023.**

About Reach for Excellence

Since its inception in 2007, RfE has built a successful track record in supporting and stretching students who have the potential to gain a place at a research intensive university, but who may not have considered it (or who may perceive barriers to entry). We recruit participants in **Year 12** and provide wide-ranging support alongside their studies in Year 12 and Year 13, which will help to strengthen their attainment and prepare them for making decisions about university, whether they wish to apply to the **University of Leeds** or elsewhere.

Successful RfE applicants are invited to engage with a varied programme of subject-specific academic tasters, personal development workshops, and intensive research and study skills sessions. We also offer a variety of enrichment experiences, and our broad range of advice and guidance sessions will leave students feeling more confident when navigating their university choices and UCAS applications, and more informed about student finance and their post-graduate career options. Events primarily take place at the University of Leeds campus during school/college holiday periods, in order to minimise curricular disruption while encouraging independent study habits. RfE students will also be invited to apply for our residential summer school held at the University of Leeds in August 2023.

More information about Reach for Excellence, including the eligibility criteria, can be found on our [website](#).

The Arts & Humanities Outreach team would like to encourage more applications from students interested in the **Arts & Humanities subjects – so please join**

How to apply

The deadline for all applications is **23:59 on Thursday 17th November 2022**.

FREE VIRTUAL GET INTO VETERINARY MEDICINE CONFERENCE

-**Saturday 22nd October 10am – 3pm**

Register here: <https://airtable.com/shrs1hEiPfdSSgnl2>

FREE VIRTUAL GET INTO DENTISTRY CONFERENCE

- **Sunday 23rd October 10am – 3pm**

Register here: <https://airtable.com/shr7JL0vaCAzEYUo1>

If you are considering a career in allied healthcare, here is the link for our first NHS Work Experience Session on 2nd October. Sessions are £10 to cover administrative and technological costs: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/>

Medic Mentor's free, virtual INSIGHT INTO MEDICINE CONFERENCES on **Saturday 8th October, Saturday 22nd October, and Saturday 5th November** 3pm - 7pm.

Registration Link: <https://medicmentor.co.uk/insight-into-medicine-conference/>

The Insight into Medicine Conferences are rare opportunities for students to speak directly to Doctors about their line of work. Having a unique insight into these careers will shine through in their applications to Med School.

On **Saturday 8th October**, we're delighted to welcome:

- Dr Ray Tse on Geriatric Medicine
- Dr Vinita Ruparel on Oncology
- Dr Faizan Shah on General Surgery

Students are very welcome to sign up to as many Insight into Medicine Conferences as they like!

<https://medicmentor.co.uk/insight-into-medicine-conference/>

LIVE work experience day on **Sunday November 6th.**

With the UCAS deadline for NHS Health Careers in January, students considering a career in healthcare need to gain as much work experience as possible. We strongly encourage all students (including those who attended October's session) to register. No two work experience days are the same.

Students can register for November's session using the link below: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/>

This programme is suitable for students in years Year 12 and Year 13 who are interested in the following careers:

- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Dietetics
- Radiography
- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Pharmacy



Once you have registered, students will be emailed links to your virtual work experience portals.

Students are awarded a **Work Experience Certificate** for every session they complete. **Those who complete the full 5-month programme will be awarded a Highly Commended Reference from the Presidents of Allied Healthcare Mentor.** These are fantastic additions to their CVs and UCAS applications!

Year 12

For over fifteen years, the Aspiring Professionals Programme (APP) has helped high-achieving young people from low-income backgrounds (either eligible for free school meals or first-generation students in their family) reach the top universities and high-status professions.

The programme gives these students the skills, guidance, confidence and networks to access and thrive in higher education and top careers.

Our work takes places during the school holidays, or after school, and is completely free of charge. To find out more:

<https://app.socialmobility.org.uk/student>



Black Access – University of York

Black access is a unique 3 year programme ran by York's access and outreach team. If you choose to get involved in the programme, you will receive personalised support in key areas such as revision and study skills, UCAS applications and transitioning to university.

If you feel this programme is applicable to you, please see the information below and visit this website to get involved.

<https://www.york.ac.uk/schools-and-colleges/post-16/black-access/>





One Day Programme Bursaries available for Year 12!

- InvestIN are offering 5 student bursaries for their online/in person experiences to eligible students during the Autumn term
- See what programmes they offer here <https://investin.org/collections/our-programmes>
- Most are online but there is also limited opportunity to attend in person for those programmes in London or Manchester
- To qualify for an InvestIN bursary you must satisfy one or more of the following criteria:
 - Currently in receipt of a bursary from the government's [16 to 19 bursary fund](#) (or equivalent)
 - Currently receive free school meals during secondary education or have done so in the past six years
 - Have been in care or taken the role of a carer at home
- Students who are interested should see Mrs Ellis in the Careers Office (B013) by **12/10/22**

There will also be another opportunity to receive a bursary in the spring term



- The [Ambition Nottingham 16-18 programme](#) is now **open** for applications! Our Ambition Nottingham programme is a free two-year scheme for all Year 12 from anywhere in the UK.
- We offer support and guidance to students through various online sessions, which include subject specific tasters, personal statement support and how to choose your course.
- More information, the application form and the full entry criteria can all be found on our [website](#).
- Some participants who meet additional eligibility criteria could also be eligible for an enhanced contextual offer should they apply to us.
- We run a range of programmes and activities which Post 16 students can sign up to as individuals. These include Summer Schools, our Pathways to Law and Pathways to Medicine programmes, and our Ambition Nottingham programme. For further details please [visit here](#).



Interdisciplinary Science with Foundation Year - online information session

Thursday 20th October: 6pm – 7.15pm

- Interested in studying science, engineering, mathematics, computing or healthcare at the University of Leeds, but not sure if you will get a place? Our Interdisciplinary Science with Foundation Year is designed for students who have the potential to study at the University of Leeds, but do not meet the entry requirements for direct entry. A-levels at CCD or equivalent are required.

Progression routes include **Biological Sciences, Maths, Chemistry, Physics, Food Sciences, Engineering, Computing, Healthcare (e.g., Nursing, Midwifery), Dentistry**

Join us to find out about:

What you'll learn on a Science Foundation Year

The huge range of degrees it can lead onto

Our widening Participation criteria and entry requirements.

The support you'll receive.

Book your place [here](#):



Means Tested Scholarships in Engineering & Physical Sciences and Environment subjects

- **New scholarships available in Environment and EPS awarded to selected UK students based on personal circumstances.**

These Scholarships are for 2023-24 entry.

- **For more information please follow these links:**

[Environment Scholarships](#)

[EPS Scholarships](#)



Year 12 – Thinking of becoming a medic?

[Link: Optimising UK Medical School Applications Report](#)

This is an interesting report for you and your parents to see.

It gives an indication what universities consider when deciding your application



Year 13 - UCAS

Reminder:

You should have written and uploaded your personal statement onto Uniforg by now, even if you are not currently planning to attend university.

Deadline for early entry 15th October

Deadline for all other courses 25th January



Sutton Trust



Applications for our 2022 [Pathways programmes](#) are now officially open. Our Pathways programmes aim to widen access to the most competitive professions – including **Banking and Finance, Consulting, Engineering, Medicine and Law** – with over 1,000 young people now participating in the programmes each year. Over a period of 18 months, students will be able to access university preparation days and work experience opportunities, gain sector insights and attend a residential conference at their chosen university.

Find out more

<https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/>



Year 13 Application Support

Come to C016 for support with UCAS applications and Apprenticeships applications

Wednesday week A & B period 5



Year 13 Application – once the application is complete

You need to check your form (common errors are)

1. **Area of permanent residence and student support details** are both the council authority in which you live (home address) For most students, the **Residential category** will be 'UK Citizen – England'. A small number, without a UK passport, will be 'Settled in the UK'
2. The answer to 'What will be your main source of funding for your studies?' will almost always be '**UK, ChI, IoM, or EU student financial services**'.
3. A ULN (your form tutor has this number)
4. For **exam dates**, the season will suffice. Most students will put the date they sat them (06 -June) or date of their results (08- August); either is fine, so long as they are consistent.
5. Students should remember to include the **EPQ** as a separate qualification.
6. Make sure that the **correct school** is listed for GCSEs, if not HGS.
7. All **A-levels** should be added with exam dates in summer 2023 and the result as 'pending'.
8. Have you included Core Maths or AS Further Maths?
9. It is your responsibility for inputting your own GCSE and other Level 2 qualifications correctly.



Year 13 Application – once the application is complete

Once students have finished your application, they need to select the option '**pay and send**'

Paying and sending

Just a reminder that when 'paying and sending' your Ucas application:

- If you are **not** in receipt of the school bursary = select **pay by card**. -
- If you **do** receive the **bursary** = choose the other option (**cheque/bill to the centre**)



Clubs and Societies



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TRUE CRIME CLUB

Who? Sixth-formers - you don't have to be studying social sciences to go!

When? Thursday Lunchtime

Where? C012

Why? Good enrichment activity for Uni, while also giving a fun and interesting look into criminology!

Any questions? Email:

21hberry@heckgrammar.co.uk

21bwhartonhamilton@heckgrammar.co.uk

World Book Club



**EVERY WEDNESDAY! WE'D
LOVE TO SEE YOU THERE!**

3:15 to 4:15 In A105

This week we are reading:

The Cat Who Saved Books

by Sōsuke Natsukawa

If you're interested, please speak to
Anisa Qais, Haadi Hassan or Yusuf Ali
or just come along!

21yali@heckgrammar.co.uk
16hhassan@heckgrammar.co.uk
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Topical Discussions

Guest Speakers

Present Research

Practical Sessions

Human Anatomy Sessions

Ask Questions



Interest Form

MEDI-SKILLS SOCIETY

Room C101

Mondays at 12:30

Years 7-13 Welcome



Padlet

Medicine. Dentistry. Midwifery. Subjects Allied to Medicine. Nursing.

Visit our PadletBoard to get involved in some supercurricular opportunities now!
Fill out the expression of interest ^{^^}

Contact via Teams or Email:
Olivia Smith Saneha Kauser Raahim Omer
Ronan D'Souza Abdullah Aziz



FOOTBALL FIESTA

OPEN TO ALL

SIGN UP NOW

DEADLINE: 28.09.2022

- Teams must consist of 7 players: 5 playing, 2 on the bench
- Players are free to wear football attire but will need to change into it at lunch
- SHINPADS ARE A MUST!
- Games will be played on the MUGA (weather permitting)
- PLAYERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO SWAP TEAMS!
- Players must turn up to games on time
- Games are 12 mins one way

Any questions, speak to Henry Pollard
(16hpollard@heckgrammar.co.uk) or Druvan
Tailor (16dtailor@heckgrammar.co.uk)

ENTRY FEE
£10

University opportunities



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Sheffield

Applications are now open for [Discover Sheffield](#) and we are really looking forward to receiving applications from **Y12** students at Heckmondwike Grammar School.

Applications will close at midnight on Sunday 6th November.

We have created a Google Site to provide easy access to information about the Discover Sheffield programme, and how to apply, for both school staff and Year 12 students who are interested in applying.

This can be accessed here: <https://sites.google.com/sheffield.ac.uk/welcome-to-disc-sheff/home>



Lancaster Access Programme

Lancaster Access Programme provides you the opportunity to take part in a range of exclusive activities, enhance your study skills, join campus residentials and prepare for a future studying at university.

The programme is open for Year 12/13s from widening participation backgrounds and completion of the programme makes you eligible for a **grade reduction of up to three grades on your Lancaster University offer.**

Further details, information webinar and the application form can be found at www.lancaster.ac.uk/lap.



Webinars University of Sheffield

Year 12 - Introduction to Higher Education & Why University

This is for students who are potentially interested in progressing to higher education, or have the potential to do so, and would like to find out more about what university is all about. We will discuss the benefits of studying at a higher level, as well as highlighting some of the exciting things that students get involved in alongside their studies.

Year 13 - Personal statements

This session is for current year 13 students, who are about to start, or have just started putting their personal statement together. We cover a range of information, which gives not only useful tips and advice on what to include, but also guidance on structure.

Our webinars will be delivered on the following dates:

- 18th Oct - Year 12 Introduction to Higher Education & Why University - 9am-945am
- 18th Oct - Year 13 Personal statements - 12pm-1245pm
- 21st Oct - Year 13 Personal statements - 9am - 945am
- 21st Oct - Year 12 Introduction to Higher Education & Why University - 1pm-145pm
- 31st Oct - Year 12 Introduction to Higher Education & Why University- 9am-945am
- 31st Oct - Year 13 Personal statements- 12pm-1245pm
- 1st Nov - Year 12 Introduction to Higher Education & Why University- 12pm-1245pm
- 3rd Nov - Year 12Introduction to Higher Education & Why University - 9am-945am
- 3rd Nov - Year 13 Personal statements- 1pm-145pm
- 4th Nov - Year 13 Personal statements- 9am-945am

All webinars will be delivered using our virtual Blackboard platform. In order to join one (or more) of the webinars, please complete the google form below. Following completion of this form, we will send you a link to the virtual session together with further joining instructions.

Google form link - [The University of Sheffield Autumn Webinars](#)



Festival of Social Science

22 October -13 November 2022

The Festival of Social Science celebrates its 20th anniversary this year. It's a great chance to explore social science topics. It is free to attend and most of the events are open to everyone

To find out more please follow this link:

<https://festivalofsocialscience.com/events/partner/university-of-leeds/>



Apprenticeship opportunities

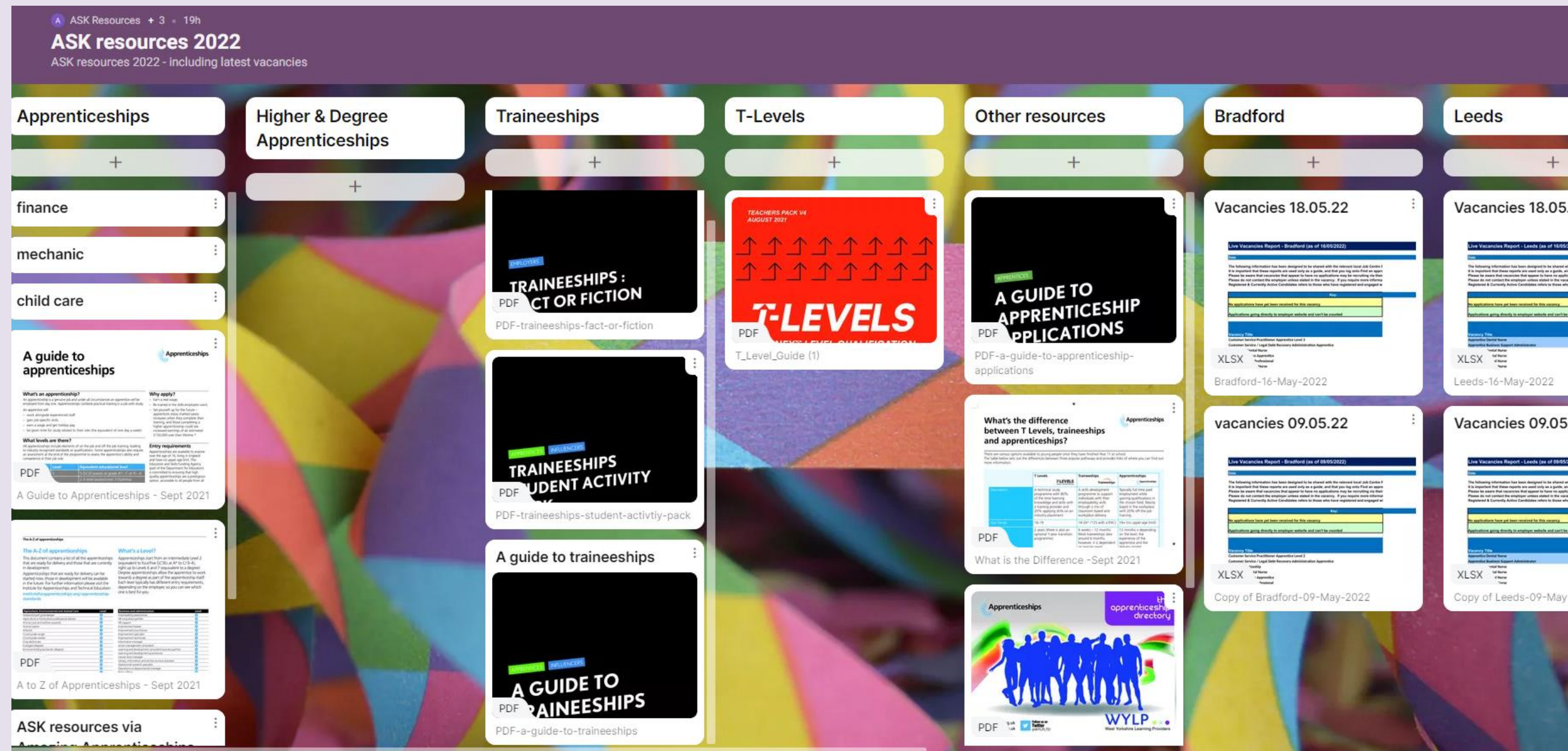


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Live apprenticeship opportunities

Check out [ASK's new padlet](#) to find EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES in apprenticeships.



Interested in apprenticeships?

We have been in contact with some employers and Barratt Developments PLC (Homebuilders) are currently recruiting for apprentices at a range of levels: Intermediate and Advanced Apprenticeships for students with GCSEs and also Higher and Degree Apprenticeships for students with A-levels: <https://www.barrattcareers.co.uk/early-careers/higher-degree-apprentices>

RSM also have a range of apprenticeship opportunities open now for applications in Finance and Business related roles in Leeds: <https://www.rsmuk.com/careers/students/school-leaver-apprenticeship>

If anyone wants help applying for apprenticeships, or to learn more about how to apply or where to look for vacancies please contact the careers team at careersteachers@heckgrammar.co.uk and we can book you an appointment or you can come to the lunchtime drop in 12.45pm-1.15pm



Volunteering and work experience



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Work experience

Speakers for Schools offer work experience programmes with industry leading employers through insight days and 3-5 day virtual work placements.

Visit <https://www.speakersforschools.org/> to view the full range of opportunities, register and apply.



Competition



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The Gresham Competition: an oracy competition for Year 12 - entries by 15 November (slide 1)

Gresham College is launching a competition to promote the art of communicating complex information in a clear, concise and compelling way. This year's theme is the **environment and sustainability**.

Read more here: gres.hm/competition.

The Competition will:

- support the development of oracy skills.
- **help** students with **UCAS applications and job interviews**.
- promote a deeper understanding of the environment.
- introduce students to the inspiring research of world-class academics.
- be an opportunity to present in front of academics and professionals.



The Gresham Competition: an oracy competition for Year 12 - entries by 15 November (slide 2)

Choose one of the following topics and please make a reasoned argument:

- Who should be responsible for creating a better future environment for the next generation? How and why?
- What should the UK government do about the environment that will benefit your generation?
- Who should be most responsible for getting to Net Zero and why?
- What's the greatest positive environmental change you expect to see in your lifetime?
- What responsibilities should young people take on to address environmental/climate issues today and why?

Students will submit a five-minute, recorded presentation – the main focus should be the student speaking but can use images, graphs, or other visual props that help explain your points. Shortlisted candidates will then be invited to present again in person in London, and there will be three awards (including prizes for student and the school).

You can enter the competition here gres.hm/entryform and upload the video here gres.hm/dropbox.



Careers information



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Useful websites for Apprenticeships and alternatives to University

NGTU
NOT GOING TO UNI

★ RATEMY
APPRENTICESHIP

 **GetMyFirstJob**
Where it all starts.

**National
Apprenticeship
Service**

Careerpilot

GRADCRACKER
Where the STEM jobs are

Open for applications now!

September 2023 start dates



mazars

- With roles in Audit, Risk Consulting and the Advisory Service, it is the perfect place to start your career in Finance.
- Several HGS alumni have gone on to have successful careers at Mazars and regularly come into school to work with current students
- Find out more and view the vacancies here: <https://jobs.mazars.co.uk/jobs/vacancy/find/results/>

Goldman Sachs

- A Goldman Sachs Degree Apprenticeship is a four-year programme. They offer two different programmes in Engineering and Global Markets divisions.
- Get your degree from Queen Mary University of London as part of this apprenticeship.
- Find out more about what is available and apply here: <https://www.goldmansachs.com/careers/students/programs/emea/degree-apprentices.html>



Morrisons

- Morrisons offer a range of different Degree Apprenticeships – from Corporate to Logistics.
- They are partners with University of Bradford, Strathclyde University and Kaplan in Leeds
- Find out more and apply here <https://www.morrisons.jobs/early-careers/degree-apprenticeships>

Register your interest with these companies!



<https://www.ibm.com/uk-en/employment/entrylevel/>



<https://www.nestleacademy.co.uk/apply/expression-of-interest/index.htm>



<https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/jobs/7190/unilever/register-your-interest-packaging-professional-degree-apprenticeship>



<https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/student-careers/school-careers/our-programmes/flying-start-degrees.html>



https://www.ey.com/en_uk/careers/students



<https://careers.macegroup.com/gb/en/school-leaver-and-apprentice>



<https://careers.astrazeneca.com/early-talent>



<https://careers.virginmedia.com/future-careers/apprenticeships/apprenticeship-schemes/>



<https://www.jaguarlandrovercareers.com/content/Applied-Professional-Engineering-Programme/#pathways>



<https://www.airbus.com/en/careers/apprentices-and-pupils/apprenticeship-in-united-kingdom>

If you are thinking of applying for apprenticeships or school leaver programmes with any of these companies, make sure you register your interest using the links. You will then be informed as soon as applications open.

Additional information



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Sixth Form Staff Team



Mr Longridge

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Head of Sixth
Form

Transition &
Enrichment

Academic
Leader Y12

Academic
Leader Y13

Progression &
UCAS

Pastoral
Leader

Learning
Mentor

Learning
Mentor

+ team of Form Tutors and Co-Tutors



Head student Drop-in

Come along and speak to us to make suggestions, ask questions, tell us your problems or just for a chat!



Every Thursday Lunchtime in CO13

Any Questions contact Rowan (16rlightfoot@heckgrammar.co.uk) or Chandni (16cpahal@heckgrammar.co.uk)



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