



#NCW2024

National Careers Festival 2024

National Careers Week (NCW) is a one-week celebration of careers guidance and free resources. The aim is to provide a focus for careers guidance activity at an important stage in the academic calendar to help support young people develop awareness and excitement about their future pathways but here at Heckmondwike Grammar School we have plenty to share hence why we are running our Careers Festival over 2 weeks.

Here are details of this week's activities and link to some the information shared...

Monday 26 February

Year 7 Assembly - Mrs Keddy delivered an assembly to Year 7 introducing them to National Careers Week and providing information and advice on what students should be thinking about as they move through school to support their next steps and Career aspirations.

Tuesday 27 February

Year 8 Assembly - Mrs Keddy delivered an assembly to Year 8 introducing them to National Careers Week and providing information and advice on what students should be thinking about as they move through school to support their next steps and Career aspirations.

Wednesday 28 February

Year 10 Assembly - Mrs Stone (Oxbridge pathway Leader) delivered an assembly to Year 10 students introducing them to Oxford and Cambridge Universities and providing information on what it is like to study there as well as guidance on what students should be thinking about moving forward if they wish to apply to Oxbridge in the future. This was a good follow on from the trip to Oxford year 10 had recently.



Year 11 Oxbridge Workshop - Mrs Stone also ran a workshop for a small number of Year 11 Students. This was aimed at those who are considering applying to Oxbridge in the future. Students were able to discuss what they already know about Oxbridge as well as find answers to any questions they had about the application process, the experience of Oxbridge and applying to competitive universities as a whole.

Thursday 29 February

Year 9 Assembly - Gemma Stead from Huddersfield University delivered a presentation to Year 9 introducing them to university. She covered the basics of what university is, what skills students should hope to gain from attending university

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Year 10 - North Kirklees, Careers and apprenticeship fair - 30 Year 10 Students visited Pioneer Higher Skills Centre in Dewsbury for an Apprenticeship event. First, students attended a workshop on Interviews and Interview skills with representatives from Santander. This was then followed by a careers fair, consisting of local businesses and apprenticeship providers. Finally students received a talk on apprenticeships.

Friday 1 March

Year 12 - Students in year 12 visited NEC Birmingham for the "What Career? What University? Fair" to learn more about their options for when they leave school. Students had the opportunity to attend talks from Universities like Oxford and The University of Law as well as Employers like Mott Macdonald and the NHS. There was also a chance to visit different employers and universities at their stands in the careers fair to find out more about degrees, apprenticeships and employment opportunities.

Click [here](#) to view all presentations that have taken place in school



Still to come next week...

Monday 4 March

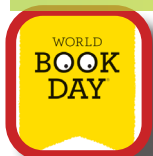
Year 12 Assembly - Morrisons - Degree Apprenticeships

Tuesday 5 March

Year 13 Assembly - Gemma Stead - Huddersfield University - Preparing for University

Wednesday 6 March

Year 11 Assembly - ASK Apprenticeships - Higher and Degree Apprenticeships



REMINDER - WORLD BOOK DAY 7 MARCH 2024

For a reminder of the events taking place in school w/c 4 March including, fancy dress, book mark competition, 'Fireside Reads' and much, much more click [here](#). Students can donate to the "Give a Book" Charity via PARENPAY or on cash to their form tutor.

Business, Economics and Finance Pathway Update

On Friday 2nd February we were delighted when Kieran Maguire met with us virtually for a chat and Q&A...

Hassan Hasiri wrote up for us...

Esteemed football finance connoisseur Kieran Maguire had a zoom meeting with multiple students on his life experiences, view on current football issues and the role of his degree in his job. Maguire, an icon in the football finance world, is renowned for his popular podcast "The price of football" which is co-hosted with Chris Sutton and his many books on the world of football finance. As well as this Maguire often appears on Talk sport, BBC sport and Sky Sport. This opportunity was great for the attendees as they learnt about the uncommon career path of football finance.

On Wednesday 7th February we were again joined by former student and investment banker Mr Ali Zafar who gave a variety of well-received talks to students from different year groups about Investing. Sixth formers learnt about different asset classes, investing decisions and some also took part in mentoring sessions.

For what's on and to be involved in future events, students can complete the following form. Any year groups can express interest but priority will be given to sixth form. <https://forms.office.com/e/7AZ2QrEAH9>

BEF PATHWAY Expressions of Interest Spring Term 2024



Competition



Physics Competition - "Can Physics help us solve mysteries?" click [here](#) for details

SPORTS STAR OF THE FUTURE



Massive congratulations to our Yr10 GCSE PE student Sahil who has been selected to play for Derbyshire County cricket club U15 team. Super proud well done Sahil

This week on social media ...



Year 12 Geography students enjoy residential fieldwork trip to Cranedale



Year 10 students visit Worcester College Oxford



Our ski trip students getting some practice in on the slopes last night. 3 weeks and 3 days to go

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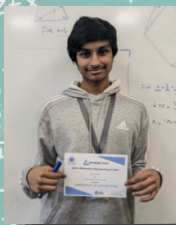


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British Olympiad Round 2

As a follow-on Round to the British Maths Olympiad (BMO) Round 1, the British Maths Olympiad Round 2 is a 3.5 hour Olympiad consisting of four Olympiad style problems. Nationally, only around 120 students each year take the BMO 2. It is also an entry point to the training and selection programme for international competition.



This year, Ayan Gupta sat the BMO 2 and achieved a distinction which is an exceptional performance.

Not only that, but Ayan is also mentoring some students in year 7 & 8 in preparing them for future Mathematical Olympiads.

Diary Events

- 4 March - Year 11 Geography Field Trip - Halifax
- 6 March - Form Finance Pathways - Lecture & Tour Huddersfield University
- 7 March World Book Day - Non-Uniform Day & Iceland Information Evening
- 14 March - Year 11 Parents' Evening booking opens today, Friday 1 March, at 18.00 link [here](#)
- 21 March - Year 13 Parents' Evening further info to follow
- 15 March - **Red Nose Day - Non-Uniform day with a wear red theme.**



Sixth Form Bulletin
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contains useful information for current and future Sixth Formers

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