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CAREERS TEAM

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Hello Saint George's Community

Hello everyone and welcome to the term 3 2023/2024 edition of the Careers Newsletter.

Even though it was such a short term, we have still managed to squeeze lots of exciting career activities into it.

We hope this edition brings you up to date with what has and will be taking place in the world of careers, as well as our regular features such as, "University - what's going on ?", "It's Your Future - Plan it !!!"

As usual we have provided lots of information and resources to help students / teaching staff and to help you support your child with their career exploration and in addition we have a feature on Year 9 Pathways and National Apprenticeship Week.

If you have any other questions regarding Careers, please feel free to email: hallama@saintgeorgescofe.kent.sch.uk

We hope you find the various links in this newsletter useful, whatever stage you are at regarding your career exploration.

Many thanks as always for your support. The Careers Team



GATSBY CAREER BENCHMARKS

1	A stable careers programme	Every school and college should have an embedded programme of career education and guidance that is known and understood by students, parents, teachers, governors and employers.
2	Learning from career and labour market information	Every student, and their parents, should have access to good quality information about future study options and labour market opportunities. They will need the support of an informed adviser to make best use of available information.
3	Addressing the needs of each student	Students have different career guidance needs at different stages. Opportunities for advice and support need to be tailored to the needs of each student. A school's careers programme should embed equality and diversity considerations throughout
4	Linking curriculum learning to careers	All teachers should link curriculum learning with careers. STEM subject teachers should highlight the relevance of STEM subjects for a wide range of future career paths.
5	Encounters with employers and employees	Every student should have multiple opportunities to learn from employers about work, employment and the skills that are valued in the workplace. This can be through a range of enrichment activities including visiting speakers, mentoring and enterprise schemes.
6	Experiences of workplaces	Every student should have first-hand experiences of the workplace through work visits, work shadowing and/or work experience to help their exploration of career opportunities and expand their networks.
7	Encounters with further and higher education	All students should understand the full range of learning opportunities that are available to them. This includes both academic and vocational routes and learning in schools, colleges, universities and in the workplace.
8	Personal guidance	Every student should have opportunities for guidance interviews with a career adviser, who could be internal (a member of school staff) or external, provided they are trained to an appropriate level. These should be available whenever significant study or career choices are being made.

The Gatsby Benchmarks are a framework of 8 guidelines that define the best careers provision in secondary schools.

Please use the key in the table above to see where we have mapped activities against the Gastby Benchmarks.

Learn more about the Gatsby Benchmarks

Flourish in the Future

HIGHLIGHTS: LOOKING BACK!





Personal Guidance Meetings

We have started to invite Year 10 students to attend their one to one career guidance meetings with our independent careers adviser.











On Friday 19th January, Year 10 had their 'Futures Day'. The students had talks on writing CVs, work experience, creative careers, and Post-16 options to help them choose their future pathways.

Feedback from the day was positive and here are some quotes from our students:

- "I found it interesting, and I learnt a lot of things I didn't know about universities".
- "It opened my eyes to what university really is and how it differs from everyday school. This awakening of mine led me to start to become more interested in university as the perks of it seem quite nice."

From building a six-cup pyramid without their hands in a team-building exercise to creating their CV using Unifrog, the students received a range of information to help them Flourish In The Future











Year 8 Assembly - The importance of school to your future at work

Students were visited by Marie from The Department for Work and Pensions, who delivered an assembly on linking school skills to their future at work.

The aim of the assembly was to give students the tools to master interviews by focusing on:

- How and what to prepare before.
- · What has the biggest impact during.
- How to use the experience after.









Trip to Disneyland Paris

Year 12 and 13 Business students were invited to a trip to Disneyland Paris. The trip reinforced pupils understanding of the A Level Media Studies and Financial Studies course with a real-life experience and presentations from Disney Executives along with other leading companies such as Eurotunnel.

UNIVERSITY / COLLEGE - WHAT'S ON

Prospects - How to choose the right degree

With so many university courses to pick from, deciding what to study can be a long process - so start by narrowing down your degree options.

Read more **HERE**

Ravensbourne Architecture courses attain prestigious RIBA validation

In a ground-breaking milestone, Ravensbourne's BA (Hons) Architecture and BA (Hons) Interior Design Environment Architectures (IDEAs) courses have been awarded RIBA validation, making our IDEAs course the only RIBA-validated interior architecture course in the world.

Read the full article **HERE**

British College of Osteopathic Medicine (BCOM) Why study Osteopathy?

If you enjoy working with a diverse range of people, have a keen interest in health, medicine, sports sciences and wellbeing and want a rewarding and flexible career that makes a difference in people's lives, choose Osteopathy!

- Learn more about our Osteopathy undergraduate degrees <u>here</u>
- Find out why to study with us here.
- Find out more about our location <u>here</u>.

Northeastern University London - Virtual University Taster Lectures

Choosing the subject to study at university is an important decision as you'll be spending at least three years studying it! Come along to our virtual taster lectures to find out whether a subject is right for you and experience a 'taste' of university teaching.

Register <u>here</u> for our virtual subject talks.

The college of Animal Welfare

Thinking of studying the BSc (Hons) Veterinary Nursing programme, you can read more about it on our <u>website</u>.

North Kent College Open Days

Come and look around our North Kent College campuses, talk to tutors and see our state-of-the-art facilities!

Visit our Open Events from 3:30pm - 7:00pm on the 20th February, 22nd February & 27th February 2024.

Start with us in September 2024. Pre-register your interest HERE!



Forward2Employment

Find out how we can help kick-start your career!

Delivering Supported Employment opportunities to people with SEND/an EHCP in Kent & Medway.

Click HERE for more information.



APPPRENTICESHIPS

NEW Higher & Degree Vacancy Listing Launched

The January edition of the Higher & Degree vacancy listing has now been launched.

Explore 1,400 Higher and Degree apprenticeship vacancies from 70+ employers, including British Army, Amazon, Tui, Metropolitan Police, PwC, Transport for London and many more! You can download it HERE.

Apprenticeships at 20 UK Solicitors

We know that a whole bunch of young people are interested in Higher/Degree Apprenticeships in Law....so here's a resource that could make life a little bit easier for them.

To download the list of companies and click through links to their websites use this link:

https://linktr.ee/mygreatfirstjob

STEM and Engineering Apprenticeships at AWE

Know someone looking for an apprenticeship in the STEM & Engineering space?

Are they 18+ but questioning whether degree level study is for them? Encourage them to kick-start their career journey today, with AWE.

AWE have been training apprentices to make the world a safer place for 70 years, setting them up for success in a unique and exciting industry.

We're looking for bright future leaders to join the 2024 cohort.

Take a look at some of the remaining open apprenticeships HERE

Apply for an apprenticeship with Rolls-Royce Motor Cars

This year we have increased the range of opportunities available at Rolls-Royce Motor Cars. We have Level 2, 3, 4 and 6 apprenticeships available across the business.

Where do you want your skills to take you? Earn a salary whilst developing practical, hands-on experience and skills working for one of the worlds most prestigious luxury car brands.

Applications now open. To view all our opportunities at Rolls-Royce Motor Cars and across the BMW Group, please visit: www.bmwgroup.jobs

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Apprenticeship under the Spotlight

Apprentice Technical Officer with the National Crime Agency in Rochester (£22,950.00)

This is a Technical Apprenticeship like no other. As well as acquiring electronic and engineering skills you will be at the heart of the UL's fight against serious and organised crime. Working in the NCA's Technical Operations Dept. you will be helping pursue and bring to justice those criminals who present the highest risk to this country.

This exciting programme starts in September 2024 and offers a mix of classroom learning and practical experience, including a variety of research, development and project work. You'll be taking on real world business challenges that will stretch and develop your expertise in areas such as electrical, electronic and mechanical engineering.

The apprenticeship experience at Keele University

Ready for a quick burst of inspiration?

<u>Keele University</u> apprentices sum up their transformative apprenticeship journeys in just three words! **Read more <u>HERE</u>**



National Grid

Unlock the door to your dream career with National Grid! Ready to dive into Finance, HR, Procurement, Data Analysis, or Engineering? Your journey starts now – check out our apprenticeship opportunities on the website and hit apply! https://successatschool.org/jobs?query=national%20grid

Discover 40+ Apprenticeship Schemes with the British ArmyThe British Army was voted number 1 in the top 100
apprenticeship employers for 2023 for the third year running!

The British Army is the largest Employer Provider of apprenticeships in the UK. We have close to 15,000 apprentices currently enrolled on apprenticeships from Level 2 to Level 6 across more than 40 different programmes. That means that over 95% of soldiers enrol on an apprenticeship scheme when they start their initial trade training.

Find out more about Army apprenticeships <u>HERE</u>.

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

From Monday 5th February to Sunday 11th February it was National Apprenticeship Week. There are lots of different resources that you can use to learn more about apprenticeships and what they can offer.





Apprenticeships are for everyone

Types of apprenticeships
There are four apprenticeship levels with different entry requirements, leading to different qualifications.
Find out which one is for you.



Finding an apprenticeship

So now you know what apprenticeships are – but how do you keep up to date with the most relevant opportunities?

Check out these 5 ways to stay in the know.

Apprenticeships Guide 2024 for parents & carers

The fourth edition of our Apprenticeships Guide is sponsored by the National Audit Office and contains tips and insider insights from employers as well as interviews with today's apprentices – plus in-depth information about the apprenticeship programmes available across every industry. Access the guide HERE

Success at Schools Case Study Interviews

We have hundreds of interviews with apprenticeships, school/college leavers and trainees on our website. You can view them all by browsing the <u>advice section of our website</u> – and here are a few of our favourites:

- <u>Biotechnology Apprentice</u>
- Care Assistant
- Chef
- Sales Representative
- Theatre Apprentice
- VFX Apprentice



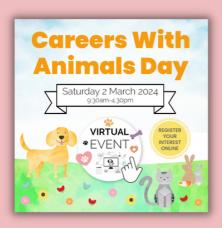
This booklet is a step by step guide on how to apply for an apprenticeship.

It's Your Future - Plan it !!!

Virtual Careers With Animals is back on Saturday 2nd March 2024!

Careers With Animals Day 2024 is a free, online event for those interested in working with animals. You'll get the chance to listen to career talks from key organisations within the animal care and veterinary industry, and have the opportunity to ask questions.

Get tickets **HERE**



Grierson DocLab core programme

Returning for the 12th time, the Grierson DocLab core programme is for UK-based 18-25 year olds with a passion for documentary and factual TV who are new entrants to the industry. No experience is required and candidates don't need to have studied film/TV to apply either. We especially welcome applications from those underrepresented in the industry, and aim to equip 12 successful trainees with the knowledge, connections and work experience to launch their doc careers. Deadline to apply 23 February.

APPLY HERE

Access Accountancy: Discover Your Future

The competition that gives you a unique look into what it's like to have a career in accountancy.

Through a series of fun videos, you'll hear from a range of people sharing their experiences and giving advice on how to pursue an accountancy career.

CLICK HERE TO ACCESS



Applications are now open for the ASPIRE Programme!

We are pleased to announce that the Deloitte ASPIRE programme is now accepting applications! We believe that this is a powerful opportunity for your students in year 12 to explore their passions and talents.

What can your students expect?

ASPIRE is designed to help students identify their unique talents and strengths and explore how different career paths align with their interests. Participants will gain insight into Deloitte's work culture and learn about the various business areas. They will also have the opportunity to participate in immersive case studies, develop life skills, and attend employability sessions that will help them prepare for their future careers.

When and where will the programme take place?

We are excited to offer the ASPIRE programme in London and Manchester, as well as a virtual event for those who are unable to attend in person:

- 17th–19th July (Virtual)
- 22nd-24th July, Manchester (In-person)
- 29th-31st July, London (In-person)

APPLY HERE



<u>Play Your Way Into Production</u> has been produced by One to One Development Trust in collaboration with SIGN as part of a research project to break down barriers to getting into the screen industry. The game is designed help potential new entrants understand the tasks and duties of certain job roles and develop skills.

PLAY YOUR WAY INTO PRODUCTION

It's Your Future - Plan it !!! Courses on <u>Unifrog</u>

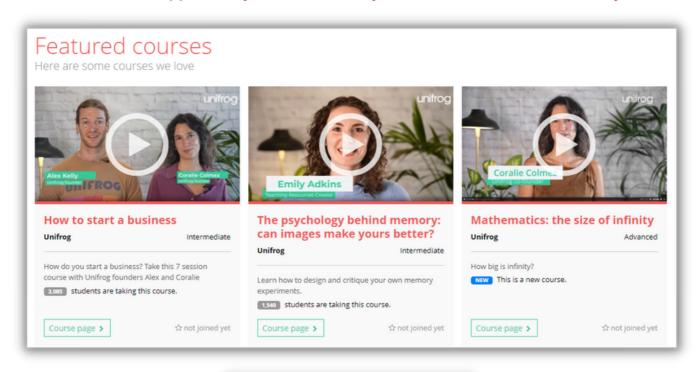
Students are loving our new Courses tool! Since launching in December, over 4,300 students have started a course, taking on independent learning and challenging themselves to improve their study and employability skills.

The three most popular courses so far are:

- 1. How to start a business
- 2. Catching a criminal: forensics and language
- 3. The psychology behind memory: can images make yours better?

The Courses tool can be found under the Exploring Pathways tools. You can search by subject area, career area, PSHE topic and by level. These are available for ALL year groups. These are great to list on a CV or university application!

At the end of completion, students will receive feedback and a FREE certificate! There is also the opportunity to be noticed by some BIG names in the industry.





It's Your Future - Plan it !!!

Air League Careers Enrichment Programme: Soaring to Success® 2023/24

Air League Careers Enrichment Programme: Soaring to Success® 2023/24 are now preparing to register students for the next stage of the Soaring to Success® programme which will build on the career conference introduction to the industry.

Cohort 1 of the Soaring to Success® eLearning modules is now live; they have stated that they can enrol our students now with a deadline of 28th March and will be running a second cohort from 15th April to 4th July.

Saint George's are able to register up to 100 students and the programme is designed for 13-17-year-olds.

The e-learning modules facilitate a deeper dive into the industry through:

- the activities of some of the biggest players in the UK's aviation and aerospace industries
- a sequence of industry-related learning (enrichment) with each partner company
- further career profiles, signposting, and apprenticeship information.

The modules are:

- Welcome to the Virtual Modules
 - BAE Systems Cockpit Design
 - Civil Aviation Authority Cyber Security
 - British Airways Airline Operations
 - Eagle Eye Innovations Drones and RPAS
 - Bristol Ground School Pilot Training (Engines)
- Talentview Aviation



Each module takes approx. 20-30 minutes to complete and can be completed in any order. Modules do not have to be completed in one sitting and can be saved and returned to. Each of the 5 industry modules finishes with a test that requires a minimum 80% pass mark; these tests can be retaken as many times as the students want. Once enrolled, you will have full access to the course 24/7 making it accessible in or out of school.

If students would like to sign up to this programme please complete this short Google Form Please only sign the form if you will be able to commit the time to complete the programme and you have a genuine interest in the aviation industries.

Soaring to Success On-Demand Webinar Portal

We also now have access to the <u>Soaring to Success On-Demand Webinar Portal</u>, which includes recordings from the companies included in the eLearning modules. This is a unique opportunity for students to listen to speakers from seven leading organisations (UK and worldwide) and gain insight into distinct career opportunities across the broad scope of the aviation and aerospace industries.

NEW SKILLS FOR CAREERS WEBSITE



Start exploring your training and career possibilities or get help working out your options.

For learners aged 14-19, deciding what to do after school or college can feel overwhelming. The new Skills for Life campaign and website, from the Department for Education, makes this decision easier by providing a one-stop-shop for information about education and training pathways.

Visit the <u>new campaign website</u> to discover options available at post-16 and post-18. Today's the day to think about qualifications designed with employers, to help you fulfil your potential and the job you're dreaming of.

Reach the next level

T Levels allow young people aged 16-19 to see what a potential career could be like, with time split between classroom learning and an industry placement. Find out more HERE.

Earn and learn

With apprenticeships, people aged 16 and over can earn money while learning on the job, working with experienced staff to gain skills.

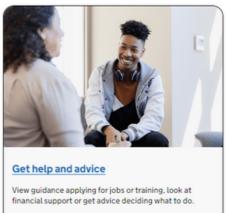
Find out more **HERE**.

Gain specialist skills

With Higher Technical Qualifications, people aged 18 and over can gain in-demand skills with a high-quality qualification designed by employers.

Find out more HERE.







BBC'S BRING THE DRAMA FESTIVAL

Complementing the six-part <u>BBC Two and iPlayer series</u> that opens up the world of screen drama, the <u>Bring the Drama Festival</u> is your chance to look behind the scenes of film, TV and theatre. If you're interested in a career in stage or screen, or want to find out more about working in our world-beating cultural industries, then you're in the right place.

Our brand-new series of short films will spotlight people in creative roles on productions including Matilda the Musical, Hamilton, Waterloo Road, Shrek the Musical and the Harry Potter films.

And if those inspire you, or you just want to see how all the magic happens, the BBC has joined forces with more than 150 of the UK's leading creative organisations to deliver unique Festival events throughout February and March 2024.

Partners are showcasing everything from stage-managing to wig-making, lighting to line producing, art direction to make-up design. You can connect - through the <u>ERIC careers app</u> - with the hundreds of events that are happening in locations across the UK.

BRINGS DRAMA FESTIVAL CAREERS BEHIND THE SCENES





On offer are hundreds of events from more than 150 partners, with a range of activities including talks, tours, workshops, masterclasses, Q&As and 'meet the teams'.

Your gateway to all of this is the <u>Bring the Drama</u> <u>Festival on ERIC</u>, the Creative Arts Platform available as an app for your phone - from 11 February simply enter a postcode to find events where you live, as well as many online opportunities. Here are just a few examples of events already in the Festival schedule:

- Backstage tours at The Lyric Belfast throughout its production of Little Women;
- Behind the scenes tours of Hamilton and Les Misérables with the Cameron Mackintosh Limited production teams;
- Bristol's The Bottle Yard Studios running a marketplace event to showcase the vast range of careers across film, TV and theatre;
- A Play, a Pie and a Pint in Glasgow opening its doors to showcase opportunities for craftspeople and stage managers;
- Bespoke tours of the Royal Shakespeare Company's workshops in Stratford;
- BBC Cardiff Central hosting set tours including Crimewatch and Sin Bin;



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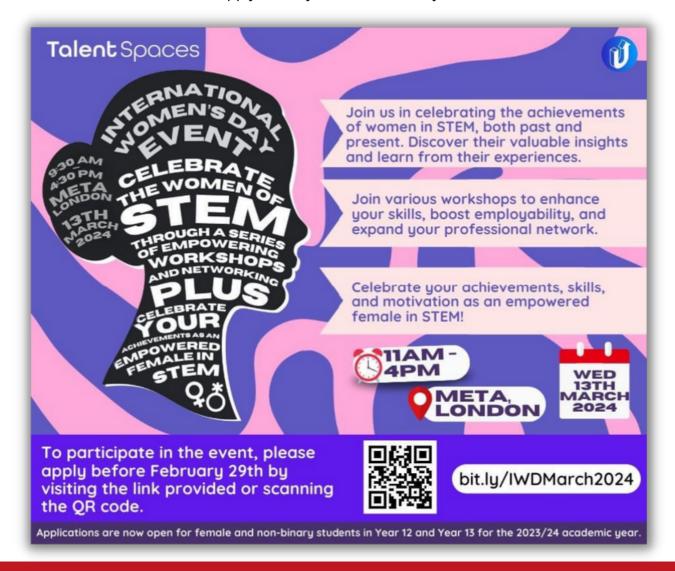
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY EVENT

Join us in celebrating International Women's Day with our incredible sponsors BP, GSK, Colt, HSBC, Pfizer, Dyson, and Meta!

Connect with industry leaders through insightful sessions and Q&A with STEM experts. Build your network, thrive in STEM with confidence-building workshops, and find your voice as a future female leader while building a supportive network of allies who share your passion for STEM. **

Applications must be:
- A female or non-binary student
- Living in England
- In Year 12 or 13 for the academic year 2023/24
- Studying at least one STEM subject

Apply HERE by the 29th February:



SUPPORTED INTERNSHIPS INFORMATION SESSION

Are you, or is someone you know, thinking about what's next after school or college? Come and find out about Supported Internships!

Supported Internships prepare you for the world of work, with the aim of paid employment at the end of the internship.

Take the first step on your journey from education to employment - join us at Historic Dockyard Chatham to learn more. Book HERE



GE HEALTHCARE: FREE ONLINE SESSION

We are so excited to announce this exciting opportunity from GE HealthCare! Created for Year 12 & Year 13 STEM enthusiasts, the online hour-long session will include:

- First-hand insights from professionals at GE HealthCare, discovering exciting opportunities within the Healthcare Sector.
- Learning about the day in the life of a medical field engineer.
- Engaging in an interactive session where you can ask questions to determine the healthcare career that best suits you.
- Receiving valuable insights and expert advice on crafting exceptional job applications.
- Exploring the intersection of healthcare and technology, delving into the world of medical technologies and tools that aid healthcare professionals in diagnosis, treatment, and patient monitoring.
- Sign up **HERE** before the 15th March!



PATHWAY CTM £1,000 PRIZE!



WORK EXPERIENCE - CHANNEL 4

Channel 4 - 4Skills Work Experience brings creative careers in TV and Broadcasting into your hands

Explore the creative industry in 3 core modules and pick and mix.

You might be one of the many people who aren't sure where they'd start to try and get into TV and Broadcasting... and that's why we're here to give you a taste! Completing our work experience will not only give you a better idea of the different career opportunities within the industry, but you'll have gained valuable experience that you can bring with you, whatever career you end up in. This programme is just the start!

REGISTER NOW HERE



WORK EXPERIENCE - MEDIC MENTOR

Work experience is a crucial aspect of a student's journey into a medical career. It's not just about observing doctors or dentists in action but truly understanding their roles, decision-making processes, and the dynamics of working within a multidisciplinary team.

I'm excited to share the new rotation of our Virtual Work Experience (WEX) is now available. This month, your students have the opportunity to delve into Critical and Intensive Care or New Dental Patients, gaining invaluable insights into these specialised fields. The medical programme spans over 6 months, while the dental is 4 months, offering a wide range of specialties for them to explore. We would be absolutely thrilled if your students could join in on the experience!

More details can be found **HERE**:

To ensure your students don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity, they **need to attend** our upcoming Get Into Medicine or Get Into Dentistry conference, granting them IMMEDIATE ACCESS to the Virtual Work Experience programmes.

Students and parents can register for free at these links:

- Medicine: https://medicmentor.org/get-into-medicine-ucas-conference/
- Dentistry: https://dental-mentor.org/get-into-dentistry-ucas-conference/

For aspiring Doctors: FREE LIVE VIRTUAL Get Into Medicine conference dates:

- Saturday 10th February, 9:30am 3:30pm
- Sunday 25th February, 9:30am 3:30pm

For aspiring Dentists: FREE LIVE VIRTUAL Get Into Dentistry conference date:

• Saturday 24th February, 9:30am - 3:30pm

Throughout these conferences, students will have the opportunity to interact directly with doctors, dentists, and medical and dental students. They'll gain critical information on deciding if a career in dentistry or medicine is for them and how to make a competitive application to study at university.

Students aged 14 - 18 are invited to attend with a parent or guardian, equipped with a working camera and microphone.

Medical Registration Link: https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shry7MZYtt3MGPjvO
Dental Registration Link: https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shrBuiR7SBAcC19kE





WORK EXPERIENCE - BAE SYSTEMS

BAE's work experience programme for Year 12, opens their application window on 1st April at the latest.

BAE have an Engineering focused 5-day work experience ... It's called Engineering Taster Week (aimed for 16-18 year olds). Further information available <u>HERE</u>:

Engineering Taster Week (ETW) is a five-day course at BAE Systems Rochester, offering students a glimpse into the day-to-day work of an engineer and insights into early careers opportunities at BAE Systems.

They will be running two separate weeks in July:

- 1. July 1st to the 5th
- 2. July 15th to the 19th

The application window will open on the 1st April at the latest and the information will be made available on their website so do keep looking.



WORK EXPERIENCE - MADE IN KENT



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Start a Career in Media with Made in Kent's Radio Experience

Radio Experience | £36 + VAT

Package: Radio Experience

Price: £36+ VAT

Location: Creation Lab Studios, Bexley

Dates: Choice Available

Book: www.madeinkent.co.uk/radio-experience Included: 90-minute radio experience; studio desk experience;

script writing; voice-tracking; live presenting



Made in Kent Radio is thrilled to announce the launch of an exciting new adventure; the Radio Experience, aimed at young adults who want to start their career in media.

With a focus on radio presenting and production, alongside professional support, this offering is perfect for those interested in excelling in the radio industry.

Priced at just £36 + VAT, this 90-minute workshop offers participants a comprehensive and immersive media training experience. Led by radio professionals, attendees will step into a real studio environment, gaining valuable insights and practical skills that are essential for success in the dynamic field of media. Limited spaces are available for this unique opportunity.

Key highlights of the Radio Experience:

- Hands-on Studio Training: Learn the ins and outs of a professional studio, including mastering the studio
- desk and playout system. Scriptwriting Skills: Develop the art of crafting compelling scripts and presenting engaging content.
- Live Radio Presentation: Experience the thrill of presenting live on the radio and hone voice-tracking skills, all under the guidance of experienced mentors
- · Real Show Feature: Get the chance to feature on a real radio show, putting newfound skills to the test and gaining exposure in the local media landscape.

Benefits of the Radio Experience:

- Ideal for Media Enthusiasts: Perfect for anyone with an interest in media or a desire to enhance their presenting skills.
 Hands-on Learning: Gain practical experience using professional equipment in a real-world setting.
- Expert Guidance: Learn from industry professionals with years of experience in radio broadcasting
- Media Industry Kickstart: Kickstart the journey into the media industry with confidence and valuable skills.
- Confidence Building: Develop confidence in presenting in a dynamic and fast-paced environment.

Made in Kent's Radio Experience package is strategically designed for young individuals. The package is available to anyone nationwide, held at studios in Bexley.

From media and broadcasting to pop culture and celebrity interviews, this package appeals to those passionate about building a career in radio and related fields.

Whether navigating A-levels, changing careers, or exploring part-time opportunities, this offering suits various life stages.

This podcast package can be booked via the Made in Kent website; www.madeinkent.co.uk/radio-experience

For more information, please contact Eleanor Rose, Marketing Manager, on eleanor@madeinkent.co.uk

Web: www.madeinkent.co.uk | Instagram: @madeinkentradio | TikTok: @madeinkentofficial | Twitter: @madeinkentuk | Facebook: @madeinkent

YEAR 9 PATHWAYS - GCSE OPTIONS

Pathways are the decisions students will make to determine what subjects they will study to continue learning. The journey will begin in year 9 and will take students up to year 11 before Post-16 options and beyond.

At Saint George's we are fortunate to have excellent, subject-specific teachers. We are able to provide students with a wide curriculum choice in addition to the core subjects. Within year 9, students will have the opportunity to experience some subjects as 'taster choices', to get a real understanding of what to expect at GCSE.

VIEW OUR PATHWAYS BOOKLET HERE

Year 9 GCSE Options Choices | What's Next for You?

<u>This video</u> dives into the crucial decision-making process of choosing your GCSE options in Year 9. Discover the best GCSE options for you and gain valuable insights into the world of GCSE subject choices. From expert tips on how to pick GCSE options to a breakdown of popular Year 9 options, we've got you covered!



inspiring people to thrive

Year 9 Options 2024 - Useful Guide by CXK

Many Year 9 students are considering what subjects they wish to take for their GCSE options; this short guide will help you think about different things to be aware of.

Click <u>HERE</u> for a useful guide by CXK



Choosing GCSE Options can be an exciting time for some but many students can feel overwhelmed by having to decide which subjects to take into their final school years.

We've got a collection of videos featuring top tips from career advisors and past students, as well as fun quizzes so you can see where your subject options can take you in the world of work.

Click <u>HERE</u> to see everything you need to know about choosing your GCSE subjects.

PARENTS / CARERS

Dear Parents / Carers

We have included below some information received over the last term. We hope you find it useful.

IPS Apprenticeships

What Parents Need to Know! Download our parent's guide to apprenticeships HERE.

Apprenticeships: Hints & Tips for Parents & Carers

This guide has been designed to help Parents & Carers explore the exciting world of apprenticeships with their child, to understand the range of resources and support services available to them, and how to access them. Download the guide HERE.

Understanding Apprenticeships animated film

This short film answers some of the key questions around apprenticeships and covers what to expect, the benefits of apprenticeships and the range of opportunities available.

Watch the film HERE.

The Parents' Guide To

The them for National Apprenticeship Week this year was "Skills for Life". We've created a free guide covering all the key facts – whether that's for post GCSE apprenticeships or post 18 opportunities. You can access the guide <u>HERE</u>.

- Introducing apprenticeships a great pathway to career success
- What is an apprenticeship?
- Is an apprenticeship the right choice for your child?
- How to help your child choose the right apprenticeship
- 3 steps in helping your teen find the right apprenticeship

Parents' & Carers' Pack - Amazing Apprenticeships

The latest apprenticeship information & advice for parents, supported by the Education and Skills Funding Agency. Access the January 24 pack <u>HERE</u>.

The #NAW2024 Parent Perspective Podcast special episode 'One Year On' is now LIVE!

In this special episode we caught up with Skills and Apprenticeships Minister, Robert Halfon to find out what progress has been made in widening opportunities for everyone in the apprenticeships world, and what we can expect in the next few months. Listen HERE.

Bemix Information Sessions

Bemix will be running information sessions in February at all of their venues, please email to book a place: referrals@bemix.org

Who can apply:

- Must have EHCP Aged 16+
- Want to progress into work
- We support learning levels of EL1-3 and full L1-2

For more information about Bemix, please look at their website <u>HERE</u>.

Tuesday 13th February
11-1pm

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Thursday 15th February
11-1pm

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Friday 16th February
11-1pm

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