



School Website Reminder

There are lots of resources available on the Careers Department section of the school website to support you in developing your future plans for after Sixth Form. There are dedicated pages for :

- [Higher Education](#)
- [Further Education](#)
- [Employment Apprenticeship and Gap Years](#)
- [Specialist and SEND provision](#)

All sections include factsheets which collate some of the latest information on the different pathways available, and feature links to other useful sources of further information. The website also has a dedicated page for [Work Experience](#), recognising the fact that it forms a vital part of Secondary Education and enables students to better understand where and how their unique skills and talents might fit into the [Future World of Work](#).

Procedure for Sixth Form Work Experience—term time placements only

In the Associated Sixth Form we encourage students to undertake up to 5 days of in-person or virtual work experience. The process for authorising this is:

- Collect the work experience paper consent form from the Sixth Form Office
- Fully complete the form, obtaining the necessary signatures
- Return your form to the Careers Department
- You will then be sent an online form to complete with further details of your placement

Please note the following:

- **BOTH FORMS** must be submitted at least **TWO WEEKS PRIOR** to the placement start date
- Failure to comply may mean we are unable to authorise your placement

Contact the Careers Department for help or further details.

Year 13 Deadlines Reminder

A reminder that the **school deadlines** and **important dates** for Post 18 applications are as follows:

These are the deadline dates students need to adhere to, rather than dates published on the UCAS website.

- Oxbridge, Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary applications: **29th September**
- All other UCAS applications: **20th October**
- Apprenticeships begin to be advertised: **October onwards**
- Art & Design Foundation Diploma: **22nd November**
- Bulk of Apprenticeships with Autumn start date begin to be advertised: **January Onwards**

Reminder: In order to meet the school deadline for UCAS submission, you can choose to include the courses and institutions you have fully decided on and then add other choices through the **UCAS Hub** once you have made further decisions.

Careers Department Notices cont...

Employment and Apprenticeships

- Degree apprenticeships for after Year 13 are now beginning to be advertised by several national employers, including British Airways and Morrisons. For those students interested in pursuing the degree apprenticeship route after Sixth Form, please visit [Employment, Apprenticeships and Gap Years - St Aidan's \(staidans.co.uk\)](http://staidans.co.uk) for useful resources. You are also welcome to book a careers appointment to support vacancy searches and applications.

Extra Curricular and Virtual Opportunities

NB: if you would like to attend an event during lesson time, this must first be authorised by a member of the Sixth Form Team.

- **Speakers for Schools** hold a wide range of virtual experiences through the academic year. Search current opportunities [here](#). All talks are available afterwards, on demand. Coming soon:

What	When	Employer	Application Deadline
Cyber Activity & Police careers	October 3 rd 2.30 – 3.30pm	Police Scotland	26 th September
Data, AI and beyond	October 6 th 10am – 3pm	Kainos	22 nd September
The Future of Engineering	October 11 th 9.30am – 3.30pm	Seagate	27 th September
Think like a hacker –Insight into Cyber Security!	October 13 th 10am – 3pm	Kainos	29 th September
A day in the life – working at The National Archives!	October 13 th 2 – 3pm	The National Archives	22 nd September
Future Careers in Tech	October 25 th 10am – 12.30pm	TATA Consultancy Services	29 th September

- **Incorporating a Foreign Language into your degree**, Friday 29th Sept, 12.45pm, Careers Department
Hear from a Modern Foreign Languages professor at Durham University on the benefits of including language modules within your degree programme and the opportunities this may lead to.
- **Year 13 [Technology and Business Work Experience](#) day with IBM, 19 Oct, 10am-12.30pm**
Spaces are limited for this event which is aimed at those students with an interest in careers/apprenticeships in technology and business innovation. Visit the above link to register
- **Meet the Russell Group webinars, October 3, 4, 5,**
An opportunity to attend sessions such as Researching University Options, Student Life and Personal Statements for competitive universities. Click [here](#) to register
- **Football Academy Information Evening, Teesside University, 26 Oct, 6-7.30pm**
An opportunity to speak to Middlesborough FC coaches and experience football academy student facilities, such as the hydrotherapy pool, biomechanics lab and environmental chamber. Register [here](#)
- **Reach for Excellence Programme, University of Leeds**
Applications are now open for Year 12 students who would like to apply for this scheme which is designed to support their aspirations to study at a research-intensive university. View eligibility criteria and application form [here](#)
- **Newcastle University Partners Supported Entry Scheme Launch Event, 27 Sept 5-6.30**
Over 9,000 students have studied at Newcastle University via the PARTNERS Programme. It offers a range of support and opportunities to help you make a successful application to Newcastle University. Register for their [launch event](#) to find out more.
- **[Screen Yorkshire Skills Bootcamp](#)—apply before Sept 25**
A 16 week part time programme designed providing an opportunity to explore and enhance the digital skillset needed to thrive in today's screen industries. It will be delivered from **October 2023 – February 2024** via a series of evening and weekend workshops.