

VACCINE VOLUNTEER

One of our fabulous Year 13 students – Charlotte Hall has been taking her extra-curricular activities one step further over the Christmas break. Charlotte has been volunteering at the vaccination centre in Sudbury, where she learnt to administer vaccines by practicing on a grapefruit! Charlotte has been doing sterling work supporting the NHS Covid vaccination programme, whilst at the same time getting some valuable work experience to add to her UCAS application. Fantastic work Charlotte!

UPDATE FROM THE HEAD BOY AND GIRL

With some of the Year 13 exams having taken place this week, we would like to say well done to all and good luck for any further exams! We would also like to remind all students that the gym is still open for use, so please sign up using the Google Sheet, if you wish to use it. As always, if you have any questions or anything you wish to discuss, please come and find us around the Sixth Form building!

EPQ SUPPORT WEBINARS

University of Suffolk have some free online workshops coming up to support students who are completing the Extended Project Qualification. The workshops will be run Dr Rebecca Westrup, Senior Lecturer at UEA's School of Education and Lifelong Learning. More information and links to register can be found below:

- **[The Artefact Report: Documenting Your Journey](#)**
Friday 21 January, 10.10-10.55
A skills workshop for students who are creating an artefact for their EPQ. The session will focus on sharing insights to enable the writing of the report to accompany the artefact. It will help students to: use research to underpin the aims and objectives of their artefact; critically evaluate sources; evaluate the artefact and reflect on the process.
- **[Developing Critical Analysis](#)**
Friday 28 January, 10.10-10.55
A skills workshop for students who are writing a 5000-word research project for their EPQ. The session will help students to critique and improve their academic writing with a live, collaborative exercise to further develop a draft. It will also help students to: understand critical analysis and develop critical analysis in their writing.

TED TV OF THE WEEK

Taylor Wilson believes nuclear fusion is a solution to our future energy needs, and that kids can change the world. And he knows something about both of those: When he was 14, he built a working fusion reactor in his parents' garage. Now 17, he takes the TED stage to tell his story. [Click here to hear Taylor's short story](#)

CONSULTATION ON POST-16 TRAVEL POLICY 2022/2023

Suffolk County Council are consulting on the Post-16 Travel policy for the 2022/2023 school year.

The consultation can be found at [Consultations | Suffolk County Council](#). The only proposed change to the Policy for this year is the annual increase in charge which was previously agreed by Suffolk County Council's Cabinet in June 2018.

Your views can be provided by:

- completing the online survey at [Consultations | Suffolk County Council](#)
- emailing Post-16TravelConsultation@suffolk.gov.uk or by
- writing to Post-16 Travel Consultation Team, Floor 3 Gold, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, IP1 2BX.

Responses must be received no later than 5pm on Tuesday 15 February 2022.

CAREERS NEWS

In-school Employer Workshops:

Stoke By Nayland Golf Club – 27th Jan

Peter Osborne will share with him the variety of jobs available within the hospitality industry and our very own Mrs Alston will share her experiences of working in the industry before transitioning to teaching.

Physiomotive (Physiotherapy) – Feb 11th

Come along to hear all about Bradie Clarke's journey from ex-professional athlete to qualified physiotherapist and what led him to make the decisions he made along the way.

Suffolk Market Events (Events Management) – Feb 24th

Find out what it is like to work in events management, ensuring the local events we enjoy are delivered safely, on time and on budget.

BT Work Experience

BT with STEMPOINT East, are exclusively offering Year 12 students from schools in the East of England the opportunity to work alongside technology and communications experts at their site in Ipswich, through the Nuffield Research Placements Scheme

- **Projects include:** • Internet of Things • IT in communications • Internet TV • Next generation mobile technology
- **The Placement** • Two-week face to face placement • Takes place in summer 2022 • Travel expenses are paid • Students write a research report based on their work •
- **Eligibility criteria** – must be 16; have 5+GCSEs incl maths, eng +1 science; studying A levels
- **Further information:** Email: Sally Moore s.moore@stempointeast.org.uk
- **Web address:** <https://www.stem.org.uk/nuffield-research-placements>

Apply now [using this link](#)

The ICENI Centre 2hr Ophthalmology Masterclass – Friday 11th Feb

Open to all students, this session includes:

- Career path to Ophthalmology and different roles within the speciality.
- 3D presentations of corneal transplant and cataract surgery.
- Practical hands-on session on the latest state-of-the-art surgical VR simulator.
- Video presentations on glaucoma microsurgery and practice on artificial eyes.

The course will take place at Colchester General Hospital and all participants will get a certificate of attendance. If you would like to book a place, please speak to Mrs Osborne in the Careers Hub.

NHS Talent Academy

Let's Talk About ... Midwifery - **Tue 18th Jan; Wed 9th March**

Let's Talk About ... Nursing **Thurs 20th Jan; Wed 16th Feb; Weds 16th March**

Let's Talk About ... Physiotherapy - **Fri 28th Jan; Friday 25th Feb; Mon 21st March**

Let's Talk About ... Learning Disability Support - **Tues 25th Jan; Tues 8th March;**

All sessions run from 4-5pm. Find out more about E-Placements and apply to speak to a professional about your Health and Care aspirations Register and apply now!

www.nhstalentacademy.org.uk

National Healthcare Weekend - 19th and 20th March 2022

The important thing about attending the weekend Live is that you can speak to a variety of healthcare professionals via zoom. However, if you are unable to attend the LIVE event, you can opt to register for the NHW E-learning course which will be available throughout April for you to watch all the recorded talks.

All students will receive a certificate of attendance, which can be listed on your UCAS application. Students can register individually via this [link](#)

Students can register for 1 LIVE day for £25 or both days for £45. Alternatively, students can opt for the E-learning course which is £10.

New Wolsey Theatre Taster Day - Tues 25th January 2022

Do you long to be part of a team that makes the theatre magic happen?

The New Wolsey Theatre is a regional theatre with a national reputation for the quality, range and reach of its work and for embracing cultural diversity in the widest sense. Behind every hit show there is a talented team of staff and technicians supporting the cast and production in a variety of behind-the-scenes roles.

Attendance by appointment only - please register your interest in advance. This event is for students who want to gain an insight into theatre careers.

Please register your interest with Suzanne.Couszins@Suffolk.Gov.UK

Skills Gap runs insightful workshops for young people -and offers intensive workshops designed specifically for 15-19 year olds, delivered to small groups by experienced industry experts:

If you're looking for a competitive edge for your studies or career, our workshops are the perfect opportunity to arm yourself with valuable skills and knowledge. Courses normally cost £95 but skills gap has promised to support families who cannot afford it. To register please visit www.skillsgap.tech.

Spring Half term opportunity for young filmmakers

Designed for young people with demonstrable film making interest or experience, the course consists of a combination of workshops, practical skills development, watching film and meeting industry professionals. After an action-packed week, the cast and crew, friends and family are invited to enjoy a premiere of the film we will make together. Participants can gain their Bronze Arts Award. The academy will be delivered in person at University of Suffolk.

Dates: Spring Half Term. 19th to 25th February 2022. Course hours: 10am to 5pm.

Applications close: Midnight 4th February 2022. Cost: £25.

Cost ought not be a barrier. Bursaries and financial assistance are available. Please contact us for information. For more information and to complete our simple application process please visit: www.creative-nation.co.uk/filmacademy/

More information about BFI Film Academy here: www.bfi.org.uk/filmacademy

Discover Apprenticeships Information Evening

Location: The Gateway, West Suffolk College, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 3TT

Date: Wednesday 9 February 2022

Time: 6.15pm to 8.00pm

With over 1,700 apprentices already enrolled across 65 different apprenticeship programmes, we are experts in our field and can help you take the first step to an exciting and rewarding career.

During the evening you will have the chance to explore the different areas we offer, speaking to Programme Tutors and current learners in:

- Construction & Building Services
- Engineering, Motor Vehicle & Digital
- Hairdressing & Barbering
- Childcare & Early Years
- Business & Management
- Health, Social Care & Science
- Accounting & Professional Services
- T Levels

This will be followed by a presentation from our knowledgeable Apprenticeship Team, along with a current Employer and Learner, with a chance for Q&A after the presentation.

Book your place [here](#).

The Big Bang Fair is BACK!

The UK's biggest celebration of STEM for young people is returning this summer **Weds 22 – 24 June 2022, NEC Birmingham** We cannot wait to get the chance to wow, inspire and surprise young people, helping them discover all the exciting possibilities in STEM. Over the 3 days, visitors will hear first-hand from exciting scientists and engineers and connect with inspiring career role models. For more information follow this [link](#)

Females In STEM

We have an amazing Females in STEM / Tech virtual evening event taking place on **Thursday 27th January from 5:00pm - 6:00pm** with one of the biggest technology / engineering companies in the world - Siemens, a technology company focused on industry, infrastructure, mobility, and healthcare.

If you'd like to hear more about careers at one of the biggest companies in the world driving change and innovation on all levels of life this insight event is for you. [Click the link to join](#)

Yr12 students interested in STEM subjects

Insight into University residential courses run over 4 or 5 days where students get a taster of university life and an insight into a specific STEM subject. In summer 2022 these will include

- Ø Maths at Lancaster University
- Ø Materials Science at University of Cambridge
- Ø Mechanical Engineering at UCL
- Ø Robotics & Autonomous Systems at University of Liverpool
- Ø Broad-based Engineering at University of Sheffield

Students will get the opportunity to experience university style lectures and work on activities and group projects with the support of academics and student mentors. Students will stay in halls of residence and will take part in social activities in the evenings.

For dates, cost, requirements, content of each course and the application form, please visit <https://www.etrust.org.uk/residential-insight-into-university>

If you are not quite sure what subject you'd like to study at university and would like to **experience a variety of subjects and universities** this summer, our **virtual Insight into University course** would guarantee this experience - for more information and to apply for the virtual Insight into University course, please visit our website <https://www.etrust.org.uk/insight-into-university> and click [here](#) for the virtual Insight into University flyer.

Apprenticeships

NEW ANGLIA We currently have a wide variety of Apprenticeships that are available across Norfolk and Suffolk. In order to view them all, follow this link:

<https://v2.apprenticeshipsnewanglia.co.uk/apprenticeships/search>

L3 Business Administration- Mildenhall We are looking for a business administration apprentice to join a busy office furniture factory. You will be ensuring that the operations run smoothly and effectively and that all customer queries are dealt with in an effective manner. Qualifications required: GCSE grade C/4 in Maths and English [Apply here](#)

L3 Business Administration- Rendlesham This is a fantastic opportunity to work within the technical department of a well-established specialist food producer, that utilises finest ingredients to produce high quality products. Qualifications required: GCSE grade C/4 in Maths and English [Apply here](#)

Anglian Water Level 3 Operational Apprenticeships, Suffolk/Essex

Salary: £12,594-£13,905 per annum

Start dates: August & September 2022

Anglian Water... we're much more than water and poo! We have over 5,000 employees and provide water and water recycling services to over 6 million customers across the East of England. We are looking for the next generation of passionate people who are ready to kickstart their career and fulfil their potential through a Level 3 Apprenticeship opportunity.

An apprenticeship with us is your chance to gain valuable work experience, achieve a fantastic qualification, all whilst getting paid for it! We're looking for technicians, engineers, electricians, and lots more.



If you're interested in a practical/hands on career that involves using Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths daily, we'd love to hear from you.

To find out what these opportunities involve visit <https://anglianwatercareers.co.uk/early-careers/apprentices/>

Amazing Apprenticeships

Explore 220+ Higher and Degree apprenticeship vacancies in the November edition of the Higher & Degree listing 2021/22.

Discover vacancy details from over 40 employers, including:

- Vacancy locations
- Salary information
- Direct application links

Download the Higher & Degree listing now or **find out more** about the listing, who it is for and how to best use it in our FAQs below. [DOWNLOAD NOW](#)

Colchester Institute - [Apprenticeship Vacancies](#)

West Suffolk College - [Apprenticeship vacancies](#)

Apprenticeships New Anglia - [Apprenticeship vacancies](#)

Government Official Search - [Apprenticeship Vacancies](#)

Scrutton Bland Apprenticeship Programme

Have you ever thought about what a career as an Accountant, Auditor or Tax Adviser is like? Do you enjoy building relationships and have an analytical brain? We're committed to supporting our employees fulfil their potential and we're recruiting for our new intake starting September 2022!

Scrutton Bland is a fast paced firm, with offices throughout East Anglia and are leading providers of Professional Services. We are looking to provide our two-year early careers programme to equip successful candidates with hands on experience and financial support to complete their AAT or ATT qualification. We have roles available within our Accountancy, Tax and Audit teams, so if you'd like to work for a business who plays an active part in the local community and builds an environment for teams and individuals to fulfil their potential - we want to hear from you. Not sure which department you'd be most suited for? Don't worry - we can help you!

To be considered for this programme you will need to have at least 2-3 A levels at grades A*-C or 9-5 Grade at GCSE in Maths & English Language.

Key skills:

- Ability to work as part of a professional team
- Strong ability in both Maths and English and a good knowledge of Microsoft packages
- Excellent verbal and written communication
- Excellent analytical skills with an eye for detail



If this sounds like the role for you, or you'd like to find out more, view the full job descriptions and apply on our [website!](#)

UNIVERSITY NEWS

VFX Virtual Roadshow

Are you interested in pursuing a career in the Creative Industries?

The UK Visual Effects industry is booming and leading studios are actively looking for the next generation of young talent to get involved. Whether you are interested in studying Film, TV, Art, VFX, Computer Animation, IT or even Data Science, there is a place in this industry that will suit you.

Escape Studios is bringing this FREE VFX Virtual Roadshow direct to your screen. Their expert VFX tutors will be joined by industry professionals from the likes of Industrial Light & Magic, the company behind Star Wars, The Mandalorian, Loki and Space Jam, to introduce and inspire you about the industry and all the opportunities it holds.

Plus, all attendees will be given FREE access to Escape Studios careers guides and tailored content!

Tuesday 1st February, 9:45am – 2:45pm, online – [Click here to register](#)

University of Law – Business Degree Information Evening

The University of Law is running an in-person business-focused workshop evening at one of their UK campuses. This session is designed to help those who are considering undertaking a business degree decide whether or not it's the right path for them.

This Business Experience evening will feature interactive workshops on Business Strategy, Decision Making, and the Product Lifecycle, as well as a case study session featuring Netflix and Blockbuster. We'll also cover the range of business degrees offered by The University of Law Business School and how you can ensure you make a great university application! The event is designed for students in Y12 and Y13 who are interested in Business.

All events will run from 5 pm - 7:30 pm in the evening- Please book your FREE spot

- **Tuesday 25 Jan – London** – 60 student capacity
- <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Business-London>

With such interest in business courses and with limited spaces we'd encourage you to book your place to join us as soon as possible with all the spots inevitably going to fill up quickly. Come and find out which business degree is for you and ask your questions to the professors and academics leading the courses.

Fashion Design Courses at Prof. Jimmy Choo's new Academy

We offer highly specialised practice-based degree programmes, that are housed in professional studios and are taught by internationally renowned lecturers who will support you from design, through to make and production, and then onto sale in our Mayfair boutique.

[Apply direct](#) or via UCAS for a September 22 entry. Scholarships available for exceptional candidates.

Writtle University College Degree Level Open Day - Sat 22nd Jan

You must book your spot online in order to attend an Open Day. [Click here to book](#)



- **Taster Lectures**
Film, Television & Media: Documentary – The Creative Treatment of Actuality?
University Tutorial with Dr Jamie Medhurst from Aberystwyth University - **Jan 18 @ 15:05 - 15:50** [Register here](#)
- Theatre & Performance: Hedda Gabler – Contemporary Resonance & Staging –
University Tutorial with Dr Gareth Llŷr Evans from Aberystwyth University – **January 18 @16:15-17:00** [Register here](#)
- Chemistry: Our Green Chemistry Future with Professor Tim Bugg, Sam Trouton
(Teaching Fellow) & A Current Student from University of Warwick. **Jan 19 @15:35-16:35** [Register here](#)
- Criminology: insight4me Criminology – Crime Scene to Courtroom With University of Surrey - **January 26 @ 10:30 - 11:30** - [Register here](#)
- Think Tank – Brexit: One Year On – Cutting Edge University Interdisciplinary Perspectives & Debate With UEA (Economics & Politics) - **January 31 @ 16:15 - 17:15** - [Register here](#)
- Politics: Is the UK Parliament Fit for Purpose? - Tutorial – Surrey (KS5) **January 25 @ 15:35 - 16:20** [Find out more »](#)
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Gresham College Online Resources

Gresham College's free hybrid public lectures (running since 1597) are delivered by world-leading professors in the arts and sciences, including Professors Chris Whitty (Medicine), Sarah Hart (Maths) Leslie Thomas QC (Law) and Edith Hall (Classics).

They are a resource for developing subject knowledge and skills, careers advice, EPQ projects and UCAS statements. We have a searchable back catalogue of 2,500+ free digital lectures on our website ordered by school subject at <https://www.gresham.ac.uk/schools>.

Speakers for Schools Online Broadcasts

Nigel Vardy, International Mountaineer, Author & Speaker - Mon 17th January 2-2:45pm

We are excited to host a broadcast with Nigel Vardy AKA Mr Frostbite! Join us to hear about Nigel's experiences as a Mountaineer and his lessons in resilience. Nigel will also be speaking about the power of problem solving and taking risks. Click [here](#) to register

Tony Gallagher, Deputy Editor, The Times - Tues 18th January 2-2:45pm

Are you an aspiring journalist? Do you want to learn more about what it takes to be a Deputy Editor? During this broadcast, you will learn about the exciting opportunities that journalism offers and Tony will also be sharing the lessons that he has learned throughout his life and career. Click [here](#) to register

Tracey Cooper, Executive Producer, Riff Raff Films - Tues 25th January 10-10:45am

Are you interested in learning about Animation Production? Get your questions ready for our broadcast with Tracey Cooper. Tracey will be sharing industry insights and also reflecting on her top life lessons. Click [here](#) to register

Capt. Polly Marsh & Maj Heather Sharp, Royal Military Academy Sandhurst - Tues 25th January 2-2:45pm

What are the characteristics of a good leader? Watch our broadcast with Captain Polly Marsh and Major Heather Sharp to learn how developing your leaderships skills can improve your confidence, resilience, and employability skills. Click [here](#) to register

Exclusive women in industry workshop with Mehreen Baig - Wed 26th January 10-10:45am



Join Mehreen Baig, TV presenter, podcast host, writer, activist and ex-teacher, on navigating the working world as a woman. Mehreen will talk about the challenges of being a woman in the media and education industries and give her honest advice to the next generation. If you want to pursue a career in media, education, activism or still not sure – this workshop is for you. Click [here](#) to register

Grayson Perry CBE, Artist - Thurs 27th January 2-2:45pm

We are delighted to be hosting a broadcast Grayson Perry CBE. Grayson is one of Britain's best-known contemporary artists and won the Turner prize in 2003. Click [here](#) to register

Jonathan Foster, Chief Fire Officer, North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service - Wed 2nd February 10-10:45am

Are you interested in working for the Fire Service? Join us for a broadcast with Jonathan Foster to find out about his inspirational journey to becoming Chief Fire Officer for North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service. Jonathan will be sharing some of his main life lessons and he is looking forward to answering your questions. Click [here](#) to register

Channel Talent Taster Lectures

History & Politics

- **17th January 2022 @ 15:35 - 16:35** Archaeology/History: Understanding World War II Battlefield Tactics With BGU (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **25th January 2022 @ 15:35 - 16:20** Politics: Is the UK Parliament Fit for Purpose? - Tutorial – Surrey (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **9th February 2022 @ 16:15 - 17:15** History: The Unexpected History of the Pink Pound - Goldsmiths (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Theatre, Film, TV, Media, Journalism, Business

- **18th January 2022 @ 15:05 - 15:50** Film, Television & Media: Documentary Form – Tutorial – Aberystwyth (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **18th January 2022 @ 16:15 - 17:00** Theatre & Performance: Hedda Gabler - Contemporary Resonance & Staging – Tutorial – Aberystwyth (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **20th January 2022 @ 15:35 - 16:20** Media: Media Language - Tutorial - UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **28th February 2022 @ 12:45 - 13:30** Journalism: Skills & Insight - Focus on Interviewing Skills with 1 Uni TBC (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Modern Languages

- **19th January 2022 @ 12:00 - 13:00** insight4me Spanish: Monarchies & Dictatorships with Reading & 1 Uni TBC (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Maths

- **19th January 2022 @ 15:35 - 16:35** Chemistry: Our Green Chemistry Future with Warwick (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **3rd February 2022 @ 15:35 - 16:20** Biology: Gene Therapy - Tutorial – Sheffield (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **10th February 2022 @ 12:45 - 13:45** insight4me Chemistry: Experimental Design with UEA & Sheffield (KS5) [Find out more »](#)



Extended Project Qualification

- **21st January 2022 @ 10:10 - 10:55** EPQ: Skills & Insight Workshop - The Artefact Report with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **28th January 2022 @ 10:10 - 10:55** EPQ: Skills & Insight Workshop - Developing Critical Analysis with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Psychology

- **24th January 2022 @ 14:30 - 15:30** insight4me Psychology: Psychopathology with UEA & Goldsmiths (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Social Sciences

- **26th January 2022 @ 10:30 - 11:30** insight4me Criminology: Crime Scene to Courtroom with Surrey & 1 Uni TBC (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **31st January 2022 @ 16:15 - 17:15** Brexit: One Year On – Interdisciplinary University Perspectives & Debate – UEA (Economics) & 1 Uni/Discipline TBC (KS4 & KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **1st February 2022 @ 15:35 - 16:20** Sociology: Focus on Contemporary Family & Household Structures - Tutorial – Goldsmiths (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **7th February 2022 @ 16:15 - 17:15** The American Dream – Interdisciplinary University Perspectives & Debate – Reading (Economics) & UEA (American Studies) (KS4 & KS5) [Find out more »](#)

English Language, Literature & Linguistics

- **27th January 2022 @ 10:30 - 11:30** English Language/Literature: Skills & Insight - Approaches To Analysing Previously Unseen Texts with Goldsmiths (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **1st February 2022 @ 12:00 - 13:00** English Literature: Regeneration by Pat Barker - Ethics & Narration – Reading (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Health/Nursing

- **2nd February 2022 @ 14:00 - 15:00** insight4me Nursing: End of Life Care with Surrey & Solent (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Philosophy

- **8th February 2022 @ 11:15 - 12:15** insight4me Philosophy: Soul Mind Body with Nottingham & UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)



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