

Weekly Student Bulletin for Braintree Sixth Form Students Friday 2nd December 2022

Dear BSF Students

Many of you have been involved in mock interviews this week, which are valuable opportunities to hone your interview skills. I hope that they have been useful to you in developing your skill and confidence.

A big thank you to Ben, our Charity prefect, for organising a Wear Red Day on Thursday to raise money for World Aids Day.



I'm sure Year 12 don't need reminding that it will be the Enterprise Fair on Tuesday 6th December. It starts at 9.10. You will need to register with your tutors at 8.40 but can then go to the theatre to set up (you are also perfectly welcome to arrive before 8.40 if you would like to grab the best spots! Make sure you have a float ready as Year 7 often arrive with £5 notes which you will need to be able to change.

Can I remind you all that you are not to let Notley students into the BSF building? All Notley students should be accompanied by a member of staff.

The UCAS 'car' (on the wall opposite the BSF staffroom), showing who has sent off their application, is filling up but there are still lots of you who have yet to complete applications. Please make this your priority as you have now gone past our internal deadline. We set this deadline early so that this process doesn't overlap with your mock preparation and also to show universities that you are not someone who leaves things to the last minute!

Opportunities for you

Are you applying to the University of Essex?

The University is offering eligible students progressing to an undergraduate course at the University of Essex in October 2023, the opportunity to apply for 200 £1,000 bursaries. Students eligible to apply for the SMP bursary are those from SMP schools or colleges applying for undergraduate courses who make the University of Essex their firm choice with UCAS by 17 July 2023 and register with them for the academic year 2023-24.

To be eligible, applicants must meet all of the following conditions:

- Attended a University of Essex Open Day or Applicant Day;
- Complete their studies at a SMP school or college in academic year 2022-23;
- Make University of Essex their firm choice by 17 July 2023;
- Progress directly from their studies at one of the named SMP schools/colleges;
- Register for their first year of study for a full-time undergraduate degree at the University of Essex starting in October 2023.

We are an SMP school so you all meet this particular requirement.

Engineering Development Trust

EDT are a charity which engages young people in subjects relating to Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics. They have listed summer schools hosted by universities including University College London and the University of Cambridge. Click here:

https://www.unitasterdays.com/institution/3077/engineering-development-trust-events

If you're considering a future in Maths, Queen Mary University of London (QMUL) is offering a taster called The Wonderful World of Maths taster. Click here:

https://www.unitasterdays.com/events/event/69606/wonderful-world-of-maths

This is one of many taster events delivered online by QMUL across a range of subjects. For the full list, click here: https://www.unitasterdays.com/search.aspx?IID=194&Sort=D

Banking & Finance Apprenticeships with UBS

Their UK School Leaver Apprenticeships are an important entry-level pipeline for UBS. The programs provide apprentices with the skills and experiences required to transition from school to the workplace while working towards recognised qualifications. Apprentices are full-time employees who will have a mixture of on-the-desk duties, learning and development. If you want your child to have a great introduction to the world of work with one of the Top 100 Apprenticeship Employers, this is the program for them!

UBS offer both degree and advanced apprenticeships in lots of business areas so your child can choose the program that suits them best!

Degree apprenticeships are carried out in partnership with the University of Exeter, a distinguished member of the UK's Russell Group universities. Apprentices get a set amount of working hours dedicated to an element of learning with full access to the university's academic resources. Apprentices can gain a Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Applied Finance or a Digital & Technology Solutions Degree. These are great choices for students new to the financial services industry. They will also gain a number of recognised qualifications throughout both programs and be awarded their degree at the end of their fourth year.

The advanced apprenticeships typically range from 15-18 months and will enable your child to gain industry-recognised qualifications to start their career. Completion of the advanced apprenticeship can also lead to a relevant higher apprenticeship and further qualifications.

Apply here:

https://jobs.ubs.com/TGnewUI/Search/home/HomeWithPreLoad?partnerid=25008&siteid=5131&PageType=searchResults&SearchType=linkquery&LinkID=6551&utm_source=Parents&utm_campaign=85316343e3-

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Taster Days at the University of Suffolk

On Wednesday 11th January 2023, a Business, Humanities and Social Sciences Conference is taking place, and on Tuesday 7th February 2023, they are running a Health Taster Day. To view the programme for the event, and to register your place, please visit:

Business, Humanities and Social Sciences Conference: https://www.uos.ac.uk/BHSSconference

Health Taster Day: https://www.uos.ac.uk/healthconference

Investin offer The New Year Career Guide

The Guide provides exclusive insights on how students can succeed in their careers after school, including advice on how to find the right career, build resilience and use creativity in the workplace. Access the guide here*: The InvestIN New Year Career Guide – InvestIN Education

*For each person who accesses our New Year Career Guide, Investin will make a donation to UNICEF.

Have a great weekend.

Ms C Dunton

Head of Sixth Form

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