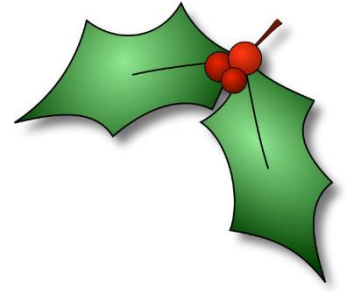


Blackfen School for Girls

December 2022

Careers Newsletter



Please find information regarding apprenticeships, virtual work experience, face to face work experience and insight days.

All opportunities are available by registering on the link attached to each article. Please check the closing dates as some are within the next few days.

I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and I look forward to working with students in the New Year.

Careers Ambassadors

Earlier this year students were invited to apply for the role of Careers Ambassador. After an interview process a team of 7 were appointed from Years 8 – 10 to promote and develop careers education and learning here at Blackfen.

The students first event will be the Careers Forum on 7th March where they will greet our exhibitors and make them feel welcome at Blackfen School. The students will be in post until November 2023 and will be involved with many more Careers events including Year 10 Careers Challenge Day, external speaker events and Careers related learning.

Careers Ambassadors:

Ruby Purple 7, Year 8

Temilayo Yellow 2, Year 8

Blessing Yellow 5, Year 9

Blaise Purple 9, Year 10

Gabby Purple 9, Year 10

Kiera Red 4, Year 10

Madiha Blue 1, Year 10



Year 10 Parent/Carers - Would you like to help your Daughter make well-informed choices about their future study and careers?

Let's work together to inspire the next generation of Scientists, Engineers and world changers.

The [Engineering Development Trust](#) (EDT) has arranged an insightful local course over the February half term, collaborating with **Uxbridge College, University of Westminster** and **ARUP** to deliver their [Routes into STEM](#) programme.

What is Routes into STEM?

Routes is an innovative 3-day course which provides young people in **Year 10** with an understanding of the amazing opportunities offered by **STEM** based careers (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). The course allows your child to engage with a **college**, a **university** and a **company** who have put together an interesting agenda to showcase STEM courses, apprenticeships, degrees and careers, giving your child the best chance to make informed decisions and to meet role models.

Day 1: Uxbridge College – 14th February 2023

Day 2: University of Westminster – 15th February 2023

Day 3: ARUP – 16th February 2023

Benefits include

- Engages all students no matter their academic level
- Practical taster sessions of STEM courses at College and University helping with decision making
- Visualisation of future STEM career opportunities and how to access them through apprenticeship & graduate schemes
- Gaining a bronze industry-led accreditation from [Industrial Cadets](#)
- Meet role models

Course fee & other support

The course costs **£165** for all 3 days including the Industrial Cadets accreditation fee. No payment is required until the place has been offered. **Pupil Premium (free school meal) students** should speak to their teachers for any opportunities for school support available, limited bursary places are also available.

Lunch & Travel Arrangements

Students are responsible for their own daily travel. Lunch is sometimes provided for the course and this will be confirmed along with all other details in the Course Joining Instructions.

For More Information Contact EDT studentrecruitment@etrust.org.uk or 01707 906106.

Apply Online: <https://membersarea.etrust.org.uk/content/routes-stem-student-online-application>

Application deadline: *Monday 23rd January 2023 however, places are limited so it is highly recommended that any interested students should apply ASAP to avoid disappointment!*

Virtual Work Experience Providers:

<https://www.springpod.com/virtual-work-experience>

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/vwex/>

<https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/a-job-or-career/finding-virtual-work-experience/other-companies-offering-virtual-wex>

<https://barclayslifeskills.com/i-want-virtual-work-experience/school/virtual-work-experience/>

<https://medicmentor.co.uk/virtual-work-experience-programmes/>

<https://www.theforage.com/>



This is a reminder that Vet Mentor's FINAL free virtual Get into Veterinary Medicine Conference of 2022 is on Saturday 17th December from 10am - 3pm. We highly recommend that students attend a conference before January to get ahead in their application.

Students can register using this link: <https://airtable.com/shrs1hEiPfdSSgnl2>

The Get into Veterinary Conference is the perfect starting point for students considering a Veterinary career. Chief Vet Mentors Dr James Taylor and Dr Layla Thompson will provide insight into what it's like to work as a Vet, and a full guide to the UCAS application process, including:

- Application Timelines
- How to Tactically Choose Veterinary Schools
- CV Building
- Personal Statements
- Interview Skills
- Leadership and Awards Programmes
- Accessing Work Experience
- Accessing Scholarships to study Veterinary Medicine at university

Attendees will also hear from a Vet student to hear their best advice for making their application stand out. They will also be awarded a Highly Commended Reference from the President of Vet Mentor to show that they have gone one step further than other Vet applicants.

Registration link: <https://airtable.com/shrs1hEiPfdSSgnl2>



FOR ASPIRING DOCTORS

For aspiring Doctors, Dr Konain Ehsan will lead the FREE, VIRTUAL Get into Medicine Conference on Sunday 18th December (10am - 3pm). Dr Ehsan will provide a step-by-step guide to the Medical application process and insight into how to make a candidacy stand out.

For safeguarding purposes, all students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian throughout the conference.

- Get into Medicine Registration Link: <https://airtable.com/shr66li3bqG3ZpkPM>

FREE GET INTO VETERINARY CONFERENCE

- Get into Veterinary Medicine Registration Link: <https://airtable.com/shrs1hEiPfdSSgnI2>

Signposting these free opportunities to your students goes a long way towards widening access to Veterinary Medicine and Medicine. Thank you.

Enquiry Form: <https://airtable.com/shrM6UPT8Z2uxx7OL>

Website: <https://medicmentor.co.uk/>