



Blackfen School for Girls Careers Newsletter

June 2020

To enable students to continue with their careers and work-related learning at home we have compiled a range of information and online learning platforms that students can access from home.

Online Event for Young People looking for Finance Apprenticeships!

Thursday, 2nd July 2020 | 11:00 – 12:30

Leaving school can be daunting for a young person, choosing between university or an apprenticeship can be a tough decision.

WhiteHat has partnered with **Halifax and Lloyds** to help young people gain an insight into the world of apprenticeships and the Lloyds Banking Group's apprenticeship programme. Where attendees are under the age of 16 years old or are considered vulnerable adults they must be accompanied online by responsible adults.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/supporting-young-people-with-apprenticeships-tickets-106109319832?utm_campaign=OpportunitiesJune&utm_content=Schools%2FCollegesMarch&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Newsletter

National Citizen Service Summer Programme 2020 – Keep Doing Good

Keep Doing Good - One Million Hours of Doing Good is our push to help communities rebuild and recover once it's safe to do so. All you have to do is make a pledge to donate some of your time through volunteering and social action opportunities - such as working in collaboration with the Charity Retail Association at a charity shop, once they've reopened. You'll pick up new skills, help rebuild local communities, create positive change and get all of our futures off to a good start.

To get the ball rolling on Keep Doing Good, we're working in collaboration with the Charity Retail Association - the only trade association that represents the interests of charity shops and charity retailers across the United Kingdom - for you to help charity shops around the country get back on their feet by donating your time and working in-store.

We'll also be organising a number of other local volunteering and social action opportunities for you to get involved with over the next few months, so keep your eyes peeled!

Opportunities for volunteering will start from 1 July, so we'll get in touch with you before then with opportunities available to you in your local area. To make sure that everyone can get involved in NCS activities this summer, there is **NO** participation fee. Participants must be 16 years old by 31st August 2020.

To sign up visit <https://wearencs.com/sign-up-to-ncs>

Apprenticeships

WhiteHat has partnered up with the Stationers' Company, to deliver an alternative to the highly anticipated Apprentice 20 event which was due to take place at the Guildhall as a central part of the City of London Careers Festival.

Apprentice 20 - Future Apprentice website will lead to you being able to explore the world of apprenticeships and some fantastic career opportunities. Companies such as the BBC are also featured on the website.

<https://www.apprenticefutures.com/apprentice-stories/>

Universities

Ravensbourne have their upcoming **virtual open day**, which is taking place on **Wednesday 17th June from 3pm**. There will be the opportunity to discover our courses with talks from our academics, have a 360 tour of the building and facilities, take part in a live Q&A with student ambassadors, as well information sessions on accommodation, student support, admissions and the student union. This would be a great opportunity for students to explore everything Ravensbourne.

You can book to attend [here](#).

Summer School: Building Portfolios + Showreels

Also, just a reminder that their summer schools start on Monday 22nd June, and will focus on supporting students to make work for university portfolios over the summer.

There are 6 different projects:

[Fashion](#) (Design, Business + Styling)

[Character Design](#) (Illustration, Animation + Games Design)

[Graphics + Brand Design](#)

[Architecture + 3D Design](#)

[Photography](#)

[Showreel](#) (Film, Post Production + TV)

Please book [here](#).

The summer schools have been designed so participants can take part in more than one (you might want to try character design and photography!)

They will be sending out weekly projects (with a pre-recorded intro film from us), a written project brief, an online intro session, and the opportunity to join drop in tutorials and crits with tutors and student ambassadors. This means you'll be accessible to all young people, who might not have on-demand access to wifi, with live feedback + crit sessions available on zoom for those who do.

They understand that participants might not have access to laptops, cameras, and design materials. The focus will be on the creative process, and how to research, experiment, and prototype.

They are also really happy for eager Year 11's as well as Year 12 + 13 students to take part.

'At home' creative workshops and tutorials

A series of **'at home' creative workshops and tutorials** for young people to continue to stay engaged and creative in lockdown. These workshops can be accessed [here](#). They have been written for young people aged 13+.

Pathways to Property Online Summer School

The Summer School, which will take place between 20 - 22 July 2020, is a fully funded, 3-day programme held online for **Year 12** students. This will be the eighth Summer School that has been run and whilst it is normally delivered in person at the University of Reading, we have adapted the content to create an engaging online course. During the event, students will get to sit in on taster lectures, virtually visit various development sites, take part in a group project, learn about the great career opportunities available and get to meet some of the top employers in the industry.

At the end of the week, if they are keen to learn more about property, they can complete a funded **work experience placement** during a future school holiday, have access to our **e-mentoring** programme, and if they choose to apply to study Real Estate and Planning at the University, can apply for a **bursary up to £30,000** over three years.

To date, over 600 students have attended the Summer School and 25% of these have chosen to pursue a career in property – either through studying a property related degree at University or completing a property related apprenticeship.

Applications for the Summer School will remain open until 21 June 2020, although early applications are encouraged as places are limited.

Please visit: <https://www.henley.ac.uk/alumni/support-henley/pathways-to-property>

Interactive careers learning resources and broadcasts

www.cascaid.co.uk/login - As part of the careers guidance and education programme we deliver at Blackfen School for Girls your child has access to Kudos, the latest program from CASCAID. To access the program please visit www.cascaid.co.uk/login and click on the 'Login or Register' button, your child can then log in using the access details given to them by their teacher.

<https://pathwayctm.com/webinar-and-virtual-event-sign-up/> : During these challenging times due to Covid 19, Pathway CTM are opening our Pre-Employment Programme to all students aged 15-18 across the UK. By joining this Programme, you will get access to our weekly Newsletters giving you full information on all the digital events we are hosting, including our informative Workshops covering everything from How to Create a CV; Preparing for a Video Interview; Work Experience and LinkedIn Masterclass to name but a few!

<https://targetcareers.co.uk/> Target careers help school leavers make decisions about their future, explore options for careers, university or apprenticeships and get help applying successfully.

<https://learn.springpod.co.uk/> Learn Lounge by Springpod provides 30 minute talks on careers and employability: Live and interactive careers talks, completely free to attend. Don't worry if you can't watch live all talks will be available on-demand. Video explaining how students sign up: <https://youtu.be/-5OGDtnlhkU>

<https://www.futurelearn.com/career-advice> Whether you're considering a new job, promotion or you want to improve your existing skills, we've got career advice and free online courses from some of the world's top universities and organisations to help you achieve your goals.

<https://icould.com/> Education and Employers have promoted their icould website, which contains videos from figures in a whole range of jobs talking about how to get into their career. Students can choose what type of jobs they want info for, or pick subjects they like or are studying and find out where it could take them. As well as the video the job pages also contain national LMI on salary, typical weekly hours, gender demographics, future demand, industries typically recruiting those jobs and more.