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The next forthcoming event at TBSHS:

### PSA Race Night

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September at Jobbers Wood, £5 per ticket and doors open at 7pm.  
Everyone is welcome!

# RACE NIGHT

FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER  
AT JOBBERS WOOD



£5  
per  
Ticket

Meet  
7.00 pm  
First  
Race at  
7.30 pm

Pay Bar

BYO Food



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### Whole School

#### ParentPay

TBSHS's preferred method of payments for school meals and other items such as schools trips, music lessons, before and after school clubs etc. is **ParentPay**<sup>®</sup>, using a secure website ( [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) ) you can now pay online using your credit or debit card. We are hoping that everyone will benefit considerably from this facility. ParentPay is easy-to-use and you have the freedom to make payments whenever you want, 24 hours a day 7 days a week and see a history of your payments and a balance of your son/daughter's cashless catering account.

Many parents will welcome the certainty that money paid using ParentPay will reach school quickly and safely. Your child no longer has to take responsibility for carrying money into school. Please be assured that ParentPay offers the highest security and no card details are stored on the system or are accessible by TBSHS or ParentPay.

All year 7 parents/guardians should now have received their account logins, but if anyone has not received or mislaid their details, please contact the Finance office ( [finance@tbshs.org](mailto:finance@tbshs.org) ) and we will re-issue them.

Thank you

**Rachel Engel**  
**Director of Finance & Resources**  
**The Bishop's Stortford High School**

#### Free School Meals

Did you know that Hertfordshire County Council could save you £400 every year? If you receive one of the following benefits, you could be eligible for free school meals worth over £450 per child per year.

- **Income Support**
- **Income-based Jobseekers Allowance**
- **Income-related Employment and Support Allowance**
- **Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999**
- **The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit**
- **Child Tax Credit** (as long as you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and you don't get more than £16,190 a year)
- **Working Tax Credit run-on** (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- **Universal Credit.**

**Don't miss out, apply now!**

Apply today if you receive any of these benefits. It takes **5 mins** and in most cases we can tell you straightaway if your child can get free meals at school.

[Apply for free school meals](#)

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The benefits of applying online include:

- It's quick and easy to do – most online applications take about five minutes to complete. Please make sure you have your national insurance number to hand.
- It can be done whenever it suits you, with no need for face-to-face or telephone contact
- In most cases, you won't have to provide paper proof of benefit
- You won't have to reapply for free school meals every year
- Your child will get their free school meals without delay
- You can apply for other benefits that you may qualify for at the same time

If you do not have access to the internet at home, you can obtain access and support at any of the following locations:

- Public Libraries
- UK Online Centres
- TBSHS School

Please note:

Applications must be made in the name of the person who is receiving the qualifying benefit, or there may be a delay in processing the application.

If your application is accepted, you will be notified immediately. Your child's school will also be advised to ensure the free school meal is provided straight away.

For more information or assistance with your application Visit [www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals](http://www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals) Or Call the customer service centre on 0300 123 4048 (8am-8pm Monday to Friday, 9am-4pm Saturday).

### School Meal Prices and Menus

The price of a standard 2-course meal is £2.50. A full price list and menus are available on the TBSHS website. The school offers breakfast, break and lunch menu options.

The school has an upper limit of £6 on the amount of money that can be spent in one day. This will mean that your child cannot buy excessive amounts of food that may be being passed on to others. If you would like this amount changed, please call the school to amend the amount up or down.

***Please ensure that your child always has sufficient funds on their accounts for lunch as overdrafts will not be available. Any parent/guardian in financial difficulty should contact the school.***

### Publishing Houses and Supporting the School

If any parent has a connection with any Educational books Publishing Houses please contact [rachel.engel@tbshs.org](mailto:rachel.engel@tbshs.org) as many organisations offer additional discounts to schools where parents work in the company. Similarly, if parents are connected to other organisations where the school can take an advantage of a discount, please contact me.

The School appreciates all offers of sponsorship and support from parents, if you feel you can help support the School in any way, please contact [rachel.engel@tbshs.org](mailto:rachel.engel@tbshs.org) and I will pass the information to the relevant members of staff.

Thank you

**Rachel Engel**

**Director of Finance & Resources**

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### TBSHS Smartphone App

TBSHS is launching a new smartphone application provided by RS ConnectEd. This app based solution will enable parents and carers to engage with the school more easily and have all relevant information about the school in one easy to access application on their smartphones or tablets. Instructions on how to download the application can be found [here](#) and further information can be found at <https://www.myedschoolapp.com/>

The app will provide the following functionality conveniently to your smart phone or tablet device:

- View your son/daughter's attendance
- View your son/daughter's timetable
- View your son/daughter's behaviour
- View your son/daughter's interim and final reports
- View the latest parental newsletters
- Easy access to ParentPay to top up cashless catering or pay for trips
- Easy access to Show My Homework
- Digital Form submission for trips etc.
- Enable communication with parents in over 40 languages.

[We would like to encourage all parents and carers to download the application ready for the new Academic Year in September.](#)

[If you experience any problems, please contact tech\\_support@tbshs.org.](#)

**Rachel Engel**

**Director of Finance & Resources**

### Religious Studies and Citizenship Notices: Week 1

Congratulations to GCSE, AS and A-Level students on their examination results. Thank you so much for all your hard work and super positive attitude.

Welcome to a new year Years 7-13. There is much in the world and beyond to discuss and reflect upon. We are also very delighted to welcome back Mrs Taylor (former Miss Ranjan) back to TBSHS Team RS.

We are looking forward to a wonderful year in Religious Studies and Citizenship.

Unit titles for this Half Term are below:

#### TBSHS Religious Studies

Year	Unit
7 RS	Introduction to Religious Studies and Citizenship
8 RS	Does God/The After Life exist?
9 and 10 RS	Crime and Religious Perspectives
11 RS	Christian and Muslim Beliefs and Practices
12 RS	Philosophy of Religion and Ethics
13 RS	Feminism and Ethics

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### TBSHS Citizenship

Y9 Citizenship	Global Citizenship Issues
Y10 Citizenship	Politics
11 Citizenship	Mental Health
Sixth Form Citizenship	Guest Speakers

### Interact Charity and Citizenship Group

Meets at 1:15 each Tuesday in Room 8.

Any student who wishes to run a charity event / campaign is welcome to attend.

### Guest Speaker

Former Arsenal Vice Chairperson David Dein will visit to School on 3<sup>rd</sup> October from 2-3 p.m. to speak with the Sixth Form about Sport, Management and Business. Any parent that wishes to attend please e-mail [simon.etheridge@tbshs.org](mailto:simon.etheridge@tbshs.org).

Any parents who wish to suggest any guest speakers for our students, please e-mail Mr. Etheridge.

### Stationary Price List

Please click [here](#) for Stationary which is available to buy from the Finance office.

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### Sixth Form:

#### Yr 12 Standards Evening – Thursday 7th September 7 to 8pm

Following the “Save the Date” request in the Sixth Form Guide received on Results Day and the letter distributed to students on Monday, a final reminder of this important event for our Year 12s and their parents/guardians tomorrow starting promptly at 7pm. Students should attend in uniform. Full details can be viewed [here](#). **Mr R H Stark**

#### Yr 13 Information Evening Wednesday 13th September

Details of this important event to mark the start of this vital final year of school can be viewed [here](#). Students were provided with hardcopy at Assembly yesterday. All our Year 13 students are expected to attend in school uniform with their parents/guardians. To aid logistics, we ask that surnames A to K come at 7pm (finish by 7.40pm) and that surnames J to Z come at 8pm (finish by 8.40pm). **Mr R H Stark**

#### Yr 12 Learn 2 Live Young Driver Safety Event – Wednesday 13th September 2017

As part of our wider education of our students, we have arranged for all of our new Year 12 students to attend a road safety event aimed specifically at younger drivers. This will be during school hours next week. Full details can be viewed [here](#). Hardcopy of this letter will be distributed to students. **Mr R J Rawlinson-Mills**

#### YPLA Bursary for Sixth Formers

Any student who might be eligible for YPLA Bursary assistance for their Sixth Form studies should contact Mrs Pat Mulholland, our Finance Manager, on 01279 869521 for an application form. Students now in Year 13 who received the bursary last year will need to reapply – it is an annual scheme. Details of criteria can be viewed [here](#). **Mr R H Stark**

#### Med Soc – Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 1.20pm

Our student-led Med Soc for Sixth Formers interested in medical-related careers restarts next week during lunch on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September with a visit from an ex-TBSHS student who has just completed his first two years of Medicine at Cambridge. Meetings will generally be held on a Monday lunchtime. Venue information will be supplied to students next week. **Mrs F J Price**

#### Year 12 Oxbridge and Medical/Veterinary/Dental Interest List

Any students in Year 12 who may be considering applying for any courses at Oxbridge (Oxford or Cambridge Universities) or for Medical, Veterinary or Dental Courses at any university, are asked to email Fiona Price, Assistant Head of Sixth Form ([fiona.price@tbshs.org](mailto:fiona.price@tbshs.org)) indicating their subject area of interest. Information sessions, masterclasses, taster events, work experience opportunities in these very competitive areas start this term and we are keen to ensure that we are able to support students and get them involved in appropriate activities. **Mrs F Price**



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### Yr 12 Oxford Explained – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 7pm, Welwyn Garden City

If any Year 12 students are considering applying to Oxford University, you can be finding out more about the whys and hows at this Hertfordshire outreach event in Welwyn Garden City involving the Admissions officer of Balliol College and current undergraduates. More information here:

[2017 Oxford Explained 21 Sept.](#) We will be holding an Oxbridge Information Evening in school during the Spring Term. **Mrs F Price**

### Academic Support Programme

The Sixth Form provides an Academic Support Programme (ASP) for students who require additional guidance in order to reach their target grades and achieve their full potential. The ASP is designed to track the progress of students who require additional support and to provide help in a variety of ways including: organisation; revision; examination techniques; and time management. Through one-to-one interventions, students will gain specific and tailored advice and will set short-term targets to ensure steady progression towards their target grades. There are three tiers of support ranging from interventions during form time to an intensive weekly course with the Sixth Form Management Team. In addition to this support, students will continue to receive support from their individual Subject Teachers and Subject Leaders where subject-specific assistance is required. Letters will be sent out to pupils who we feel will benefit from this support in the next week, but please do contact Mrs Miles if you have any concerns or want to discuss this programme.

**Mrs Miles**

**Deputy Head of Sixth Form**

## Year 11

### Year 11 Standards Evening

Year 11 Standards Evening will be taking place on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 6pm. A letter has been sent home with the students and via email.

## Year 9

### Year 9 Standards Evening.

Year 9 standards Evening will be taking place on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 7pm. A letter has been sent home with the students and via email.

## Year 8

### Under 13's Rugby

Please click [here](#) for a letter from Mr Griffiths regarding U13 Rugby. Click on the following links for [Information on Rugby Safe Essential Guide \(Kit and Clothing\)](#) and [Under 13s Rules of Play](#)





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### PTFA

#### PTFA FAMILY BINGO

Please join us for a family night out – do also take advantage of not cooking and pre-order your food. Friday 13th October 7pm - [click here](#) to buy tickets.

### Sport

## **South Africa Rugby Tour 2018**

### **Year 7 Rugby at Jobbers Wood – Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September**

As part of our fund raising effort, a photographer will be available on Saturday to take individual pictures of the Year 7 students in their splendid black & gold rugby kit

Your support of this venture would be very much appreciated

### **Golf Day and Evening Fun : Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

*Join us for a day of golf at Much Hadham Golf Club, teams of 4, £25 p/person, £20 for U-16s*

*Click [here](#) and [here](#) for registration & information. Please register by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September*

*The evening's entertainment at Jobbers Wood will kick off at 7pm with*

*local legendary band **The Muggabees** performing their famous rockin' & dancin' repertoire*

*~ BBQ food served ~ licenced bar ~*

**\*\*\* NO CHARGE FOR EVENING ENTRY \*\*\***

***All welcome regardless of whether your son is on tour***

***Do you want to be in with a chance to win in the monthly Prize Draw?***

*For just £5 p/month you could win up to £100 each month*

*For details on how you can enter the Prize Draw, please see Rugby Tour page on school website*

### ***Willing and Able to Sponsor?***

*We'd love to hear from Companies or individuals who might be willing to sponsor*

*Please get in touch ASAP [david.paine@tbshs.org](mailto:david.paine@tbshs.org)*

### ***Raffle Prizes***

*Can you donate to our raffle draws? We're holding numerous raffles throughout the year and looking for prizes*

*Please get in touch [helen.mehmet@btopenworld.com](mailto:helen.mehmet@btopenworld.com)*

***Keep up to date with all the Tour news and latest events***

***Follow us on Twitter @TBSHS\_RugbyTour/...and find us on Facebook TBSHS 2018 Rugby Tour***



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See here [https://www.friendsofimperial.org.uk/Media/Documents/Current\\_Programme.pdf](https://www.friendsofimperial.org.uk/Media/Documents/Current_Programme.pdf) for Programme of Events taking place at Imperial this autumn

### **Summer 2018 Year 12 Work Experience - Ernst Young**

A one-week summer programme at locations across the UK, this prestigious work experience allows students to work on real client projects in accountancy and other professional services. See link for more info/apply [https://successatschool.org/jobandcoursedetail/184/EY-Business-Academy-Work-Experience-Programme?utm\\_source=Success+at+School+-+Newsletter+Signups&utm\\_campaign=64d5d28547-Job+roundup+2017+07+21&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_65c6d67e71-64d5d28547-211845005&goal=0\\_65c6d67e71-64d5d28547-211845005&mc\\_cid=64d5d28547&mc\\_eid=8013c8b358](https://successatschool.org/jobandcoursedetail/184/EY-Business-Academy-Work-Experience-Programme?utm_source=Success+at+School+-+Newsletter+Signups&utm_campaign=64d5d28547-Job+roundup+2017+07+21&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_65c6d67e71-64d5d28547-211845005&goal=0_65c6d67e71-64d5d28547-211845005&mc_cid=64d5d28547&mc_eid=8013c8b358)

### **Interested in a careers in Cyber Security?**

The HMG Cyber Schools Programme is a UK Government, extracurricular, cyber security skills programme for students aged 14-18 years.

See link for more information: <https://hmgcyberschools.com/>

### **Future Devs Award - Website Coding & Design Competition**

The *Future Devs Award* is a fun, creative and exciting competition for students to showcase their skills in coding whilst being rewarded for their efforts. There are two categories; under 16's and over 16's and the main development language they want to see is C# and .net. There are prizes for the both winners and runners up; the over 16 winner will win a brand new laptop worth £1250 as well as a potential job offer at a locally based company with international growth within Web development, software and application design. In addition, school you will be awarded £2500 worth of IT equipment or software.

See link for more info <http://www.futuredevs.co.uk/> **Closing date 15<sup>th</sup> September**

### **Apprenticeships News**

Read *Minister for Apprenticeships and Skills* Anne Milton talk about life post GCSE and A-level results. University is not the immediate path for everyone, including for Milton who says '*as we prepare to leave the European Union it will be vital we continue to build the skilled workforce that business and the country needs to ensure we can compete across the world.*'

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/education/2017/08/23/better-apprenticeships-technical-courses-a-levels-should-no1/>

### **A Career in the Merchant Navy**

SSTG recruits and offers sponsorship to cadets who wish to train as, Engineer Officers, Electro Technical Officers and Deck Officer within the Merchant Navy. This provides an exciting career path with opportunities to work on an extensive fleet of sophisticated ships operating worldwide. This training is fully sponsored and should allow you to complete Higher Education debt free! On completion of your studies salaries expected between £26,000 to £30,000 potentially tax free. There are opportunities to train as an Engineering Officer, Electro Tech Officer and Deck Officer - all with Foundation Degrees and HNC/D; fully sponsored 3 year training packages allow candidates to become qualified Officers and debt free.

[https://www.sstg.org/?utm\\_source=Main&utm\\_campaign=e82da4068f-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2017\\_05\\_24&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_266bcf92f6-e82da4068f-158847705](https://www.sstg.org/?utm_source=Main&utm_campaign=e82da4068f-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_05_24&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_266bcf92f6-e82da4068f-158847705)

### **Careers on Film**

Careers Box have some really interesting careers films available via You Tube. Here are a selection:  
Farrier

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K159TdzGD3Q&feature=youtu.be&utm\\_source=CareersBox+Subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K159TdzGD3Q&feature=youtu.be&utm_source=CareersBox+Subscriber)

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[EMAIL CAMPAIGN 2017 08 25&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_5a876e6994-d71587dbe5-29475439](#)

Drilling Engineer [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-qGJQNv1pi0&utm\\_source=CareersBox+Subscribers+3+Ranking+and+Up&utm\\_campaign=d71587dbe5-](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-qGJQNv1pi0&utm_source=CareersBox+Subscribers+3+Ranking+and+Up&utm_campaign=d71587dbe5-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_08_25&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_5a876e6994-d71587dbe5-29475439)

[EMAIL CAMPAIGN 2017 08 25&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_5a876e6994-d71587dbe5-29475439](#)

NHS Paramedic, Physician

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tNySr0nlzgi&utm\\_source=CareersBox+Subscribers+3+Ranking+and+Up&utm\\_campaign=d71587dbe5-](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tNySr0nlzgi&utm_source=CareersBox+Subscribers+3+Ranking+and+Up&utm_campaign=d71587dbe5-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_08_25&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_5a876e6994-d71587dbe5-29475439)

[EMAIL CAMPAIGN 2017 08 25&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_5a876e6994-d71587dbe5-29475439](#)

How to be a Housekeeping Supervisor in the hotel industry

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0nc5Mv2AqjQ&feature=youtu.be&utm\\_source=CareersBox+Subscriber+3+Ranking+and+Up&utm\\_campaign=d71587dbe5-](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0nc5Mv2AqjQ&feature=youtu.be&utm_source=CareersBox+Subscriber+3+Ranking+and+Up&utm_campaign=d71587dbe5-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_08_25&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_5a876e6994-d71587dbe5-29475439)

[EMAIL CAMPAIGN 2017 08 25&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_5a876e6994-d71587dbe5-29475439](#)

Prepare for Accounting with ACA Qualification

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H7Wtgc5j30&feature=youtu.be&utm\\_source=CareersBox+Subscribers+3+Ranking+and+Up&utm\\_campaign=d71587dbe5-](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H7Wtgc5j30&feature=youtu.be&utm_source=CareersBox+Subscribers+3+Ranking+and+Up&utm_campaign=d71587dbe5-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_08_25&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_5a876e6994-d71587dbe5-29475439)

[EMAIL CAMPAIGN 2017 08 25&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_5a876e6994-d71587dbe5-29475439](#)

Here's a link to some more NHS careers – with a focus on women

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLbgDNoFuemEfzy3thzQxcbLwh1GEe2use>

### **Using a Geography Degree**

If you are considering studying Geography at university, the Royal Geographical Society has information about career options, work experience and employability.

<http://www.rgs.org/NR/exeres/9061DA5B-2D64-4B71-BB97-9CF03D3729C6.htm>

### **Tell Me About Yourself ...**

'Tell me about yourself' doesn't mean tell someone your life history. What do you do when you're asked in an interview 'tell me about yourself'? See link for help!

<http://www.careerexperts.co.uk/job-searching/tell-me-about-yourself>

### **Tips on how to negotiate your Salary!**

At the highest level it's all about getting the best results at the lowest cost.' The key is pitching that sweet spot to your employer.

See here for advice & guidance <https://thehustle.co/ramit-sethi-salary-negotiation>

### **Five Important Interview Tips**

Business Executive Claude Littner from the Apprentice gives his expert advice on how to ace an interview

<https://www.totaljobs.com/insidejob/jamies-journey-interview-tips/>

### **Career Advice from Successful Women**

'Be Yourself and never apologise for it' Here's a link to an interesting Guardian article where several prominent women give the benefit of their advice.

<https://amp.theguardian.com/careers/2017/mar/08/international-womens-day-career-advice-successful-women>

### **Careers with Balfour Beatty**

There are Higher Apprenticeship opportunities available with Balfour Beatty – read more here

<https://www.balfourbeatty.com/careers/early-careers/apprentices-and-school-leavers/>

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### **Apprenticeships in the Army**

Apprenticeships are planned to fit around military training and relate to one's role. As well as becoming a soldier, you'll be working towards qualifications that will be valued by employers outside of the army

<http://www.army.mod.uk/belong/apprentice/>

### **Army Foundation College**

The Army Foundation College (AFC) in Harrogate prepares 16 and 17 year olds for a career in the British Army. They help you get the military skills, fitness, and education required for a great start in whichever part of the Army suits you. See the link for more info

[http://www.army.mod.uk/join/49178.aspx?c3ch=Recruitment\\_JobBoard&c3nid=CareerMap&c3placement=BLG-JuniorEntry&c3creative=Eshot-JuniorSoldier&utm\\_medium=JobBoard&utm\\_source=CareerMap&utm\\_campaign=BLG-JuniorEntry&utm\\_content=Eshot-JuniorSoldier](http://www.army.mod.uk/join/49178.aspx?c3ch=Recruitment_JobBoard&c3nid=CareerMap&c3placement=BLG-JuniorEntry&c3creative=Eshot-JuniorSoldier&utm_medium=JobBoard&utm_source=CareerMap&utm_campaign=BLG-JuniorEntry&utm_content=Eshot-JuniorSoldier)

### **Royal Air Force Apprenticeships**

The RAF offers Engineering apprenticeships in a broad range of roles from Cyberspace Communications Specialist to Aircraft Mechanic.

<https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/blog/royal-air-force-apprentices-can-earn-more-than-twice-as-much-as-a-civilian-apprentice--and-gain-a-whole-lot-more-2850>

### **Various BT Apprenticeships**

BT are offering apprenticeships across the company, including customer service, engineering, IT & digital and vehicle technician. See link for more info/apply

[https://successatschool.org/jobscourses?empUnild=368&utm\\_source=Success+at+School+-+Newsletter+Signups&utm\\_campaign=64d5d28547-Job\\_roundup\\_2017\\_07\\_21&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_65c6d67e71-64d5d28547-211845005&goal=0\\_65c6d67e71-64d5d28547-211845005&mc\\_cid=64d5d28547&mc\\_eid=8013c8b358](https://successatschool.org/jobscourses?empUnild=368&utm_source=Success+at+School+-+Newsletter+Signups&utm_campaign=64d5d28547-Job_roundup_2017_07_21&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_65c6d67e71-64d5d28547-211845005&goal=0_65c6d67e71-64d5d28547-211845005&mc_cid=64d5d28547&mc_eid=8013c8b358)

### **Online Resources for Students**

Choosing a career is one of the most important decisions you will ever make. But you don't have to do it alone – see link for info <http://coa.co.uk/about-coa/news-at-coa/129-online-resources-for-students>

### **Alternative Careers in the NHS**

There are over 350 roles in the NHS – view some of the job profiles

here <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/explore-roles#support-services>

### **What is a Radiographer?**

The Society of Radiographers has produced a useful guide on what it is like to work in this profession

<http://radiographycareers.co.uk/>

### **Here's some general information on Apprenticeships from the *Success at Schools* website**

#### **What is an apprenticeship?**

An [apprenticeship is a skilled job with training](#). Every apprentice is [guaranteed a minimum wage](#) linked to their age. They're available at all academic levels - whether you're leaving school without GCSEs or completing your A-levels. There are apprenticeships in industries like engineering, health and accountancy - plus [a host of careers you'd never think of](#). And 9 in 10 apprentices stay in work after completing their course.

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## Parental Bulletin



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### **Higher apprenticeships**

A [higher apprenticeship is your ticket to a high-skilled job](#). You'll usually need at least 2 A-levels to start one, and you'll come out with qualifications equivalent to a foundation degree or higher - with any tuition fees paid by your employer! Higher apprentices can earn between £300-500 per week (although you may start lower). You could [train to be a solicitor](#) or a lab scientist, and even learn how to design sweets with a confectionery apprenticeship!

### **Degree apprenticeship**

[Degree apprenticeships guarantee you a university degree](#), as well as on-the-job training for a high-skilled job. You'll spend 30 hours a week learning from experienced colleagues at work, and the equivalent of one day studying towards a bachelor's or master's degree at uni or college. It gives you the kudos and academic grounding of a degree along with sought-after employability skills employers say graduates don't have. And 8 out of 10 parents think it's better than an Oxbridge degree!

### **Another Comparison from Which Magazine**

This free, downloadable guide to higher and degree apprenticeships gives the full picture

[https://university.which.co.uk/teachers/introduce-higher-education-options/higher-and-degree-apprenticeships-guide-download?utm\\_content=buffercf0a9&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=linkedin.com&utm\\_campaign=buffer](https://university.which.co.uk/teachers/introduce-higher-education-options/higher-and-degree-apprenticeships-guide-download?utm_content=buffercf0a9&utm_medium=social&utm_source=linkedin.com&utm_campaign=buffer)

### **Should I apply for an apprenticeship or university?**

Today, apprenticeships offer a route into high-skilled jobs that you had to go to uni to train for in the past. If you know what career path you want to follow, an apprenticeship could get you there without the fees - while enabling you to develop employability skills too. [University](#) is essential for certain careers and great for those with passionate academic interests. Carefully consider the [pros and cons of both university and apprenticeships](#) before making your decision.

### **Careers in Business**

Careers-in-business.com has all sorts of information on a huge number of roles in the business world, ranging from investment banking to advertising and PR

<http://www.careers-in-business.com/>

### **Why Study Economics?**

Economics is about choice and the impact of our choices on each other. It relates to every aspect of our lives.

<http://whystudyeconomics.ac.uk/>

### **Historians – See Here**

Best-selling novelist Dame Hilary Mantel was this year's guest presenter of *The Reith Lectures* on BBC Radio 4 recently. She discusses the role that history plays in our culture.

Listen here <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b08vkm52>

### **BBC Archive**

Don't forget the extensive BBC archive for background reading and research of your subject; the archive goes back many years and covers a vast subject area.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio/categories>