



Futures Bulletin

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The countdown is on. It seems like yesterday we were breaking up for the fortnight break in October, and now we are less than two weeks away from breaking up for the festive period. I hope this has been a good term for you, and we have plenty of activities coming up after Christmas for you to enjoy. More to follow.

University Offers

Several of you have asked about offers from universities. Firstly, don't worry if you don't receive offers straight away; the processes at individual universities and courses are different – they have until 6th June to reply but the vast majority will do so by the end of March. For the moment, sit tight and wait – you won't need to do anything until May but do speak to us if you have any questions or concerns.

Unifrog – Lower 6th and Parents.

All of the lower 6th have been offered the opportunity to attend an induction session on this resource, which is used heavily to support post school planning. As well as providing up-to-date information on Universities in the UK and the USA, it also includes interactive details about gap years and Degree Apprenticeship. If parents would like to explore this resource, please enter **parentsshrewsburyschool** when visiting unifrog.org/code, which will provide the same view as students have.

A week in the life of...

The Guardian produces weekly articles with the above title. During the 5th form interviews this week, there have been a number of pupils expressing an interest in law, who may find this [article](#) of interest.

Degree Apprenticeships of the week.

For each bulletin, I will put a snapshot of some of the degree apprenticeships that are available for a September 2020 start. It is interesting to note that many of these are with very well-known organisations, who are clearly lending their support to this relatively new initiative. Some of you might apply to these employer's post University – is it worth applying now perhaps, when you could argue the competition for these positions might be slightly less than for their graduate ones?

| Company | Opportunity | Entry Requirements. |
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| JP Morgan | Financial Services | A Levels at grade C or higher. |
| BBC | Broadcast Engineering | 112 UCAS points, plus Maths A Level. |
| BAE Systems | Networking Engineering | A Level in Maths at Grade C, plus one other science related subject. |
| Greencore | Business Management | 120 UCAS points. |
| Ministry of Defence | Defence Engineering | 3 A Level grades to include two of Maths, Physics or Chemistry. |
| Ernst & Young | Digital & Technology | 3 A Levels, grades not specified. |

Careers Films:

In the last academic year, several Old Salopians kindly gave their time to talk through their industry experiences. The next in this series comes from Elle, formerly of Mary Sidney Hall, and now working in Investment Banking. Elle is a good example of a former student who has 'learnt by doing'. Very proactive and took quite a diverse route into her current position. Enjoy [her story](#)!

Best wishes
Mr Wain