

I hope that all of you have enjoyed the first weeks back in school and are looking forward to a well-deserved Coach Weekend. A few 6th Form Futures related notices for your attention.

Upper 6th

- Welcome to your final year at Shrewsbury School! It is an exciting time for you and there is plenty of support available from the team.
- If you are intending to progress to university for the next academic year, it is vital that you are aware of and stick to the deadlines to submit your application. For competitive applications in the UK (e.g., medicine, Oxbridge), the school internal deadline is Tuesday 5th November. If you are intending to apply to a university overseas, and have not let Mr Percival know, please do so as a matter of urgency so you can access the support you need.
- We have had several emails regarding personal statement support. A reminder that you can visit the Futures Department on a Thursday afternoon to access some help, and there are some fantastic resources on the school intranet site. Link [here](#). Additionally, this webinar from [Unifrog](#) may be of interest?
- Several of you expressed an interest in applying for a Degree Apprenticeship in the recent 6th Form survey, and I have enjoyed meeting you to discuss this pathway. If you are now considering this option, which can be pursued alongside a HE application, and have not informed the Futures Team, please let us know so we can support accordingly.

Lower 6th

- From our perspective what is most important in the coming weeks is that you adapt to the different nature of A Level studies, and you feel confident with your choices.
- You have had various assemblies about activating your Unifrog accounts (new students) and registering on our networking platform (Salopian Connect). If you have not yet done this, please rectify this by clicking on the following [link](#).
- Mr Boyes has been busy seeing new L6th Formers who have not yet had the opportunity to engage in a work experience placement. Please contact him if you are keen to discuss work experience and internship opportunities in more detail.

Recent Talks

- Thank you to everyone who attended the excellent US Universities Conference last week. If you were unable to attend, you can access a full recording of the event [here](#).
- Our recent medical conference was also well attended, and huge thanks to our four guests for taking time out of their busy schedule to offer support to the school. If you are interested in medicine and in the Lower 6th, please ensure that you have signed up for the Medical Society, via Dr Morgan.
- After coach weekend you will receive information about two Futures events on the horizon. One is our annual 'Talking Sport' evening, with an all star line up confirmed, and an event aimed for those interested in law. Both of these will be advertised next month on the [Ticketsource](#) platform, with parents also welcome to attend.

Opportunities

- On the theme of Degree Apprenticeships, it is important that you regularly check websites such as UCAS as vacancies appear on an almost daily basis. A Solicitor Apprenticeship caught my [attention](#), as well as the chance to specialise in [Renewable Energy](#).
- Interested in journalism? Working with the Marketing Department, we would be keen to support budding writers with the chance to have their work regularly published. Please contact futures@shrewsbury.org.uk to find out more.
- Want to bolster your CV over coach weekend? There are lots of free work experience placements you can complete virtually. This [website](#) is a good starting point.
- Also, if you are considering an apprenticeship in auditing [KPMG](#) could be a fantastic option, for Upper Sixth formers. Interested in finance, two great options [here](#) and [here](#). You can register your interest with the [BBC](#) for a media opportunity. Finally, The British Antarctic Survey welcomes students who wish to gain both hands-on and virtual experience in a scientific research environment. Apply for this work experience programme [HERE](#).

Keep well and best wishes,

Mr Wain