

It is the final week of school before the October exeat. Some details below of activities, opportunities and reminders to consider for the remainder of the month.

- **School UCAS Deadline:** Applications needs to be submitted by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November if you are applying to university this year. This is to enable ample time for your form to be checked by staff members before it is formally sent to your choices. Please ensure you adhere to this deadline.
- International Universities I:I appointments: David Hawkins, International Universities Guru, will be visiting on Thursday I Ith November and is kindly offering 15 minute appointments to discuss international universities. Please email Mrs Scimia for a slot.
- US University workshop for L6 on Thursday I Ith November at 12.35pm: David will also run a workshop for those in the L6 looking to apply to the US on the key things to know. Please email Mrs Scimia to book your place this is compulsory for anyone wishing to apply to America.
- **Engineering Degree Webinars:** Edinburgh University are hosting information webinars on studying Chemical, Civil, Mechanical and Electrical Engineering over half term. Sign up <a href="here">here</a>.
- Online Taster Lectures: This website has a list of top universities' taster lectures, ranging from Maths to Modern Languages, Graphic Design to Geology. Find out more <a href="here">here</a>.
- **UCL Classics and Ancient History Day**: UCL are hosting an excellent day on 20 October for anyone interested in Classics or Ancient History. Find out more <a href="here">here</a>.
- **Degree Apprenticeship Virtual Fair:** The National Apprenticeship Service have a virtual fair on 20 October where you can find out more about Degree Apprenticeships. Sign up <a href="here">here</a>.
- Careers Talks Recordings: We have enjoyed two well attended discussions on Sport and Sustainable Development in recent weeks. If you were unable to attend and wanted to view the recordings, you can do so via this <a href="link">link</a> respectively. After Exact we will be welcoming speakers to discuss their careers in Psychological services and careers in Politics and International Relations. Further information to follow....
- Virtual Work Experience: I have spoken to many fifth formers this week who are keen to gain some work experience during this academic year. As mentioned in previous bulletin's, there has been a significant increase in virtual opportunities. I really liked the look of this one and would signpost sixth form students towards this site (you need to set up a free account). There are opportunities there which are accredited by organisations such as JP Morgan, Goldman Sachs and Accenture, to name a few. According to their website, 'students are 71% more likely to land a job than the average applicant by completing a company's virtual experience program'.
- Interested in Law (L6): We have entered a national schools mock trial competition and will need a team of fifteen aspiring barristers to navigate us to victory! Expertly overseen by Ms Corcoran, please visit the following link to find out more and to formally register your interest. Places are going fast!
- Careers in the News: I enjoyed reading this <u>article</u> which explores the impact of the pandemic on decision making and the concept of a 'job for life'. Has that notion now disappeared? Thoughts welcomed.

Keep well and best wishes,

Mr Wain