



# FEARNHILL SCHOOL

## Careerfile

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### The Year Ahead in Careers Education & Guidance

Welcome back to a new year at Fearnhill School. I hope you are settling in well and are focused on achieving your full potential throughout the next 3 terms.



#### Key Stage 3

Year 7s will take part in a PSHE Day on Achieving Economic Well Being – this is a fun filled and enlightening day which has been a real success over previous years. It concentrates on Personal Finance Education and introduces students to managing their money and looking at their future career options as well as discovering the personal skills and qualities necessary to get there.

Year 8s will be given the opportunity to experience a 'World of work' day which introduces them to the skills required in the work place and how their curriculum subjects help to develop these.

Year 9s will be choosing their subjects for KS4 as part of the options process. These are decisions that will shape their future so they must choose wisely.

#### Key Stage 4

Year 10s will be preparing for and taking part in a virtual Work Experience programme – a fantastic opportunity with rewarding outcomes. Work Experience continues to be a vital part of a year 10 student's development and teaches them numerous skills that will be crucial to their future success.

Aside from navigating their next steps choices post 16, Year 11s will be learning how to write an impressive CV and will take part in an Interview day standing them in good stead for their higher/further education and future work choices. They will also take part in an Enterprise Day whereby teams compete to win the tender for the end of year prom. This involves, team work, initiative, problem solving, literacy, numeracy and artistic flair in order to be successful.

*Ms Balchin, Head of Careers, WRL & PSHE*

### Empowering Positive Change through Careers Education

#### Summer Work Experience

If you took part in any work experience over the Summer holidays I would love for you to tell me about your experience to be shared in the next edition of Careerfile...

I will be sharing some stories of current Year 13 students' work experience that they took part in during the Summer term.

Look out every fortnight for  
new features -  
all things career related!



# Services for Young People

Services for Young People is part of Hertfordshire County Council and delivers youth work projects and programmes, information, advice, guidance, work-related learning, outdoor education and other services to young people in Hertfordshire.

Our Personal Advisers and Youth Workers are professionally trained to provide the highest level of support and work closely with partners to provide counselling, mentoring and access to other services.

We run a wide range of youth work projects across the county in which young people can get involved. Through these projects they meet new people, learn new skills and take part in challenging opportunities. They are encouraged to develop their personal and social skills by taking part in activities including sports, drama, dance, music, workshops, outdoor education, DofE, forums, residentials and volunteering.

We help young people with the issues which are important to them such as jobs, careers and education, relationships, sexual health, confidence, self-esteem, substance misuse, staying safe, housing and independent living skills.

Please explore this website to see the diverse range of opportunities and support we offer to young people of different ages and needs.

For full details of all the projects for young people available in your local area, please visit the [Youth projects in your area](#) section.

One-to-one advice and support for young people is available at our [Access Point Projects](#).

If you have any questions or would like contact details for local teams or individual staff, please [contact us](#).

Parents/carers, professionals who work with young people and young people themselves can [make a referral to SfYP](#).

## Services for Young People

All Year 11 students will have a 1:1 interview with Jo Bains, our Personal Adviser, starting after October half term. If any students wish to be seen as a priority please come and see me to secure an early slot.

## Special Mention - September

Open Evening was full of different activities showcasing just what a special place Fearnhill is. I had the pleasure of being joined by Bailey in 11U who supported me on the Careers & PSHE stall. His maturity, use of initiative and the way he conducted himself throughout the evening was highly commendable. A perfect example of the Fearnhill student who demonstrated those characteristics throughout the evening.

Over 2 and a half hours of talking to prospective parents/carers and answering questions... well done Bailey and thank you!



## Key Word of the Fortnight

**INTERN**



**A STUDENT OR RECENT GRADUATE  
WHO WORKS FOR A PERIOD OF  
TIME AT A JOB IN ORDER TO  
GET EXPERIENCE.**

## Obscure / Obsolete Job Titles



**letcher**

A maker of arrows

## Year 12 Pastoral Evening

On Thursday 8th September our Year 12 Pastoral Evening was held here at Fearnhill. Parents/carers were invited along with their son/daughter to provide them with information about our expectations of the students as they work towards their A Levels/BTECs and how they can be supported at home during this crucial period in their education.

All who attended received information about the procedures and systems that are in place in the Sixth Form. The following areas were covered:

Expectations	Enrichment	16-19 bursary	Consortium arrangements
Future paths	Academic and pastoral support	Assessment	Sixth Form procedures

Additionally, two short videos were shared which offer advice and guidance to parents/carers of sixth formers:

Independence and Communication: [click here](#)

Grades and coping with pressure: [click here](#)



# Amazing Apprenticeships



"The Parent Perspective" is an exciting **podcast series for parents and carers**, helping them to support their children with careers advice and guidance. Series 2 is bigger and better than ever, led by our brilliant new host, Rachel Burden!

Together with Not Going to Uni, we want to make sure that we are supporting parents to feel informed and confident in providing careers support and guidance to their child, so that they ultimately make the best decisions for them.

Through the podcast Rachel and guests offer a fun and informative space for listeners to:

- Explore careers available today
- Showcase experiences of interesting and diverse role models
- Provide real-time insights into how the world of work is changing

Each episode Rachel speaks to a diverse mix of parents, bringing their burning questions to expert speakers from the careers world. Together they uncover practical solutions and informative answers, to help you and your child make informed decisions on those all important next steps.

**Episode 1**

**Episode 2**



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Apprenticeships

## 3 WAYS TO USE THE PARENT PERSPECTIVE PODCAST

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Discuss hobbies and interests that could lead to career ideas.

Don't just focus on what they like about their academic subject, try asking these questions too:

- What hobbies do you have?
- What do you like to do in your spare time?
- What clubs do you take part in and enjoy?
- If you could pick one thing to do right now, what would it be?

Discuss what options are available.

- Make a list of all options to start to create plans.
- Start to think about and research what needs to be done next for each option.
- <https://amazingapprenticeships.com>
- <https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk>
- your school website.

Think about all the different options.

Find out what different jobs are like.

Get a feel for different roles and industries.

- Try and get some work experience. Going behind the scenes of a company can help you see what they do and rule in/ out choices.
- Speak to people you know and hear their stories.
- Do some independent research online.

## YOUR 4-POINT CHECKLIST

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### ENGAGE WITH YOUR CHILD

- ☐ • Do they know what they want to do?
- Do they have a dream? Is it realistic?
- What skills do they have or want to develop?
- What hobbies and interests do they have that could lead to a career?

### ENGAGE WITH YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL

- ☐ • Look at the careers section on your school website.
- Attend careers fairs or other events (on the school calendar).
- Make contact with the careers leader.
- See the careers leader at consultation evenings.

### ENGAGE WITH YOUR LOCAL AREA

- ☐ • Research local opportunities
- Think about which sectors are crucial to your local economy
- Be aware of any work experience opportunities
- Ask people their career stories .

### ENGAGE WITH INFORMATION

- ☐ • Look at websites recommended by your school.
- Do independent research into areas of interest.
- Start by looking at the National Careers Service website <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>

## Remember

It's not all about life choices now, it's also about skills development.

You have the right to access free support and guidance for your child.

There will be amazing employers and opportunities in your local area.

Parents don't have to have all of the answers. It can be helpful to research together.

# Various Opportunities

## Half Term Plan?



**wsp** **stem@wsp**

**ENGINEERING VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE AT WSP**

**AGE GROUP:**  
14 years old – 18 years old

### CONTACT:

If you are interested in being a part of one of our virtual work experiences or want more information, please contact: [UK-STEM@WSP.COM](mailto:UK-STEM@WSP.COM)

**24th - 28th October 2022**

### EXAMPLE OF VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM Session	09:00 am Intro to WSP & Health and Safety pause (45mins)  10:00 Intro to Engineering and the role of an Engineer (45mins)  11:00pm Project Health & Safety (45 mins)	09:00am Highways Module (1.5hrs)  11:00am Bridges Module (1.5hrs)	09:00am Intelligent Transport Systems Module (1.5hrs)  11:00am Environment Module (1.5hrs)	09:00am Future Ready (1.5hours)  11:00am Structures Module (1.5hrs)	09:00am Routes into STEM Careers (30mins)  10:00am Panel Session (45mins)  11:00am Wrap Up Session & Certificate Presentation (30mins)
Lunch					
PM Session	2:00pm Intro to Project Management (1.5hrs)	2:00pm Flood Risk and Drainage Module (1.5hrs)	2:00pm Net Zero (1.5hrs)	2:00pm Sketching (1.5hrs)	

Medic Mentor's free, virtual Insight into Medicine Conferences:  
8th October, 22nd October, & 5th November 3pm-7pm.

Registration Link:

<https://medicmentor.co.uk/insight-into-medicine-conference/>

Students are very welcome to sign up to as many conferences as they like!

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**Saturday 8th October – Join Dr Jack Eklid + Dr Dion Manning**  
as we gain insight into the many specialities within medicine

**Dr Ray Tse**  
Speciality: Geriatric Medicine

**Dr Vinita Ruparel**  
Speciality: Oncology

**Dr Faizan Shah**  
Speciality: General Surgery



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**OPEN DAY**

COME AND TALK TO OUR EXPERT TUTORS, MEET OUR FRIENDLY STAFF AND STUDENTS AND TOUR OUR AMAZING FACILITIES.

**Wednesday 12th October**  
**4:30pm - 7:00pm**

#WeAreCRC

 CAMBRIDGE REGIONAL COLLEGE

@CRC\_College  
@CRC\_Huntingdon

Students are advised to check their school email accounts weekly, if not daily!

Careers information and opportunities are sent regularly and we wouldn't want them to miss out.

These are copied to parents/carers as well for reference

A few of these opportunities are listed here!



**OPEN DAY**

**Thursday 6 October**  
**5.00pm-8.00pm**

 THE BEDFORD SIXTH FORM

 A circular inset photo showing three students (two girls and one boy) sitting at a desk, looking at a laptop screen and smiling.

**REGISTER NOW**  
[www.bedfordsixthform.ac.uk](http://www.bedfordsixthform.ac.uk)

## WE ARE HIRING

Fearnhill School is looking for part time cleaners — Monday to Friday  
2 hours a day, 3.30 - 5.30.(times negotiable). Term time only £9.60 per hour.  
This is an ideal opportunity for students as applications will be considered from those aged 16+

For further info please contact Hazel Rainbow,  
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or 01462 621200

