



FEARNHILL SCHOOL



Careerfile

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National Careers Week

Thank you to all staff, students and parents/carers who took part in National Careers week. With so much going on in and out of school at the moment, I appreciate you taking the time to do this. There were so many incredible careers based things on offer, it's just a shame we could only sample a snippet of it. House points have been awarded to all students who completed activities - extra were given if their parents/carers contributed too!



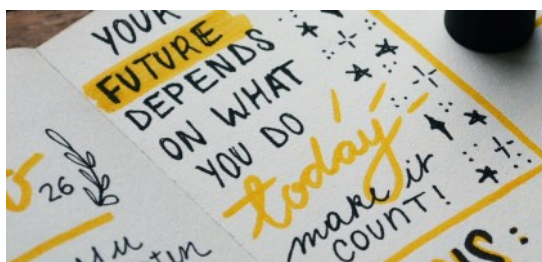
Year 11 Mocks

The Year 11 students have now finished their second round of mock exams in preparation for the real thing. We hope the period 6 extra sessions will have proved a worthy addition to their timetable and the proof of their success will be shown in their results. These will be given out in a special results assembly on Wednesday 19th April.

Year 9 Options Afternoon 28th March

This will be held here at Fearnhill from 4-6pm. The event is an opportunity to meet staff to discuss the content of the courses on offer and to gain the information available.

The expectation is that all Year 9 students will attend with their parents/carers. We look forward to seeing you there. Please RSVP using the Google Form emailed to you if you haven't done so.



Following on from the Options Afternoon, each Year 9 student will have a meeting with a senior member of staff. These will be held during the school day and it is important for students to attend to ensure they can ask any questions regarding their options choices. Students will be informed of their appointment nearer the time.

Ms Balchin, Head of Careers, WRL & PSHE

Important dates for your diary

Year 10 Future Heroes Trip - 28th March

Year 9 Options Afternoon - 28th March

Year 9 Options Interviews - w/b 17th April

Year 11 mock results assembly - 19th April

Year 9 Options deadline - extended 19th April



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



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young people in #Hertfordshire
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Apprenticeship FAQs

What might a typical week be like as an apprentice?

Usually you would be working within a company 4 days a week doing the job and developing your skills. You'd then study at college one day a week, learning both academic and hands-on skills. You would be assigned an apprenticeship coordinator who would keep an eye on you and check that everything was going well.

Any questions [contact us](#)

[Energy Apprenticeships](#)



Special Mention - March

Sky 11R is interested in a future career in *Engineering*, potentially working on *formula 1 cars*.

When asked why this particular career path, Sky said:

"I want to be a mechanic because I don't want an office-based job, I wanted something more physical and from a young age I took an interest in cars."

"A few years ago I took an interest in the Formula 1 industry and wanted to join the pit-crew. I have now accepted a place at a Motorsport college where former students have made it into the industry and are working for companies."

We cannot wait to see how this progresses and, no doubt, will be something younger students will aspire to be.



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Who Inspires You - Inspirational Women Special!

We asked all of you, students and parents/carers, who inspires you. Famous or non-famous... any female who you would describe as a role model/someone you admire/ someone you aspire to be. It could be a family member, friend, teacher, celebrity or someone from the history books who you would say inspires you.

Emma Watson - Actress: Inspires me to do my best to become an actress. I love acting, it is my dream job. Libby 11U

Beth Mead - Arsenal women's footballer: Recently sustained an ankle injury but it's not stopped her trying her best to recover. Ruby 11U

Jill Scott - England Footballer: Achieved so much inspiring lots of people. I am in the same England Talent Pathway as she is and trying to follow her footsteps. Millie 9P

Laura Bates - English Feminist Writer: Her work raising awareness of harassment and violence against women, and campaigning for change, is an amazing example of what someone with vision and guts can achieve. Yr 9 parent

Kallmekris - Canadian TikTok Personality: She is funny and makes me laugh. Taylor-Jane 9P

Sarina Wiegman - England women's football team manager: Led the Lionesses to the Euro's finals which they won their first major title! She did the same with the Dutch women 5 years previously. Yr 11 parent

Rosa Parks - American Activist in civil rights movement: Said no to the white people when asked to move from her seat. Luke 9P

Mary Berry - food writer, chef, baker & TV presenter: Makes good food and is nice and polite. Oscar 9P

Florence Nightingale, founder of modern nursing: wrote over 150 books and pamphlets on health issues. Ruby 9P

Anne Frank - celebrated diarist: Was brave in using her experience and turning it into her own story where she wrote a diary. Charlie 9P

Michelle Obama - American attorney & author: Role model for other women in poverty awareness, nutrition, education, physical activity and healthy eating. Antoni 9P

Malala Yousafzai - Pakistani female education activist: Fought for education in South Asia which is where I'm from and I really look up to her for that. Maisha 9P

Billie Eilish - Singer-Songwriter: Her music is empowering, truthful, relatable and has deeper meaning. Encourages confidence and resilience in her fans, considering her own experiences with mental health. Her songs are honest, proving you can feel a range of emotions in different situations, and that's ok. Anna & Megan 9P

Katherine Johnson - American mathematician: Shows you never need give up no matter what people think you're capable of. Oskar 7U
Her calculations of orbital mechanics as a NASA employee were critical to the success of the first and subsequent U.S. crewed spaceflights. Lewis 12ABN

Elizabeth II - Former Queen of England: Inspired a lot of people to keep going through COVID. Thomas T 7U

Carrie Fisher - American Actress & Writer: She was amazing in Star Wars. Henry 12ABN

Mary Anning - Fossil collector, dealer & palaeontologist: found early fossils and managed to sell them for money and that's what I'd like to do. Thomas B 7U

Megan Markle - Duchess of Sussex: An advocate for women's and human rights and seen as one of the most inspiring royals the country has ever seen. Jasmine 10H

Billie Jean King - American former World No. 1 tennis player: won a game against the 'sexes' when everyone believed she'd lose. Sacshi

Judith Love Cohen - American aerospace engineer: Played a pivotal role in the 1969 moon landing and other NASA projects. Becoming one of the lead aerospace engineers of the national space agency as a woman in the 1960s is an outstanding feat, going as far as working on the shuttle's code while in labour.

Claire Lomas - Author of 'Finding My Feet': shows there is nothing in this world we can't overcome - how positivity and mindset can triumph over adversity—to learn to accept things that you have no control over. Yr 10&12 parent

Diana - Princess of Wales : International icon. Yr 11 parent

Paula Yates - TV Presenter & Writer: battled against intense media attention. Held her head high throughout. Yr 11 parent



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These nominations are more personal, but no less important!

My mum

= lost her battle with cancer and remains an inspiration to me through everyday life. Yr 11 parent
 = brought me up all on her own without any help. I don't know what I would do without her. Ella 9P
 = doesn't give up and she is very hard working. Helps anyone who needs it. Says hello to people in the street and smiles at them even if she doesn't know them. Mary-Ellen 9P
 = helped me through a really emotional time when my nan died. Serenity 7U

My nan = has looked after me my whole life. I am very grateful.
 Kye 7U

My Auntie = has always been so brave and someone I can turn to if I need to. Yr 11 student

My cousin = She is still studying and that inspires me. Elvin 9P

Rebekah - my best friend = always inspires me to work harder in lessons, helps me in class, and is just overall such a lovely, kind and clever person and I'm lucky to be friends with her. Lily 11U

My PE teacher = despite being a long time ago, what she taught me in school are skills I still use. Yr 11 parent



Staff Activity

Anita Roddick Entrepreneur <i>Ms Balchin</i>	Emmeline Pankhurst English Suffragette <i>Mrs Bennett</i>	Audrey Lorde American writer & activist <i>Mx Bettinson</i>	Jess Phillips British labour politician <i>Mrs Thurlby</i>	Jennifer Doudna American biochemist & Nobel laureate <i>Mr Spencer</i>
Alice Roberts English biological anthropologist & biologist <i>Mrs Lattimer</i>	Yayoi Kusama Japanese artist & writer <i>Miss Bossley</i>	Boudica British national heroine <i>Mrs Bremner</i>	Malala Yousafzai Pakistani activist & laureate <i>Miss Jennings & Mr Fowler & Ms Brown</i>	Sarah de-Carvalho Social Entrepreneur - children's rights campaigner <i>Mr Phillips</i>
Ann Adair Journalist <i>Ms Morris</i>	Queen Elizabeth II Former Queen of UK <i>Mrs Brown</i>	Dr Shola Mos-Shogbamimu Academic enthusiast <i>Ms Morgan</i>	Harriet Tubman African-American abolitionist <i>Ms Ellis</i>	Mary Shelley English writer <i>Ms C Brown</i>

Staff were asked 'What famous female inspires you?'

P!nk American singer <i>Ms Charter</i>	Michelle Obama First Lady of the US <i>Miss Cordon & Mrs Cottenden</i>	Katherine Johnson African-American NASA mathematician <i>Miss Christie</i>	Maya Angelou American poet, author & civil rights activist <i>Mr Fox & Mrs Taffe</i>	Jacina Ardern Prime Minister of NZ <i>Mrs Kendall</i>
Ursula K. Le Guin American fantasy & sci-fi author <i>Mr Sheridan</i>	Helena Blavatsky Russian mystic & author <i>Mr Walkinshaw</i>	Mother Teresa Indian-Albanian Catholic saint <i>Ms Fletcher</i>	Dian Fossey American primatologist & conservationist <i>Ms Hughes</i>	Helen Sharman British cosmonaut & astronaut <i>Mrs Lynn</i>
Princess Diana Princess of Wales <i>Ms Wilshire</i>	Billie Holiday American jazz singer <i>Mrs Sobotie</i>	Wendy Carlos American composer & electronic musician <i>Mrs Moran</i>	Emmy Noether German Jewish mathematician <i>Mr Hipperson</i>	Elizabeth Elliot Christian author & speaker <i>Mr Williams</i>

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Year 10 Work Experience

During PSHE lessons, Year 10 students are learning the importance of virtual work experience and preparing for the world of work.

Over the coming editions we will continue to cover details of 15 good work qualities to help impress employers!



Problem-solving Skills

Most jobs require you to tackle and resolve problems as you face them during your workday. Even if the job you're applying for is administrative or process-driven with set procedures to follow, it's still important that an employer has confidence in your ability to apply these procedures effectively to solve problems. In many jobs, you may face new problems that don't have a set, defined solution. To help with these situations, employers look for an ability to approach problems objectively and work logically to find a solution.

What Are Critical Thinking Skills & How Are They Used?

Critical thinking skills help you make effective decisions and quickly understand a situation or problem using all available facts. In the workplace, you can use critical thinking skills to define a problem, determine the consequences of choices, identify solutions and lead a team in the right direction or decide to change the way something is done. Critical thinking skills are essential in every industry at every career level, from entry-level associates to top executives. In this article, we discuss what critical thinking is, the skills you need for critical thinking and how you can improve your critical thinking skills.

What is Critical Thinking?

Critical thinking is the act of analysing facts to understand a problem or topic thoroughly. Critical thinking is important when identifying a problem or issue, coming up with a solution and then implementing it. You can also use it to remain objective on a problem and rely solely on the information you have.

Employees with critical thinking skills are important because they help their businesses run smoothly. This can help the business save money and enhance the customer experience. If you have developed good critical thinking skills, you can:

- Solve complex problems for your team, customers or clients
- Develop solutions that serve the best interests of all parties where applicable
- Create new ideas that improve functionality, productivity and efficiency
- Prevent future problems with new policies and procedures

Many areas of improvement like process inefficiencies, management and finances can be improved by using critical thought. Because of this, employers value and seek out candidates who have demonstrated strong critical thinking skills.

Examples of critical thinking skills

There are several various critical thinking skills to master, including:

- Observation
- Analysis
- Inference
- Communication
- Problem-solving
- Conflict resolution
- Adaptability
- Research



Keep checking your school emails Year 10, this is where we will send any information you may need.



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Key Word/Phrase of the Fortnight

PROMOTION



**THE ACT OF MOVING SOMEONE
TO A HIGHER OR MORE IMPORTANT
POSITION OR RANK IN AN
ORGANISATION.**

Obscure / Obsolete Job Titles

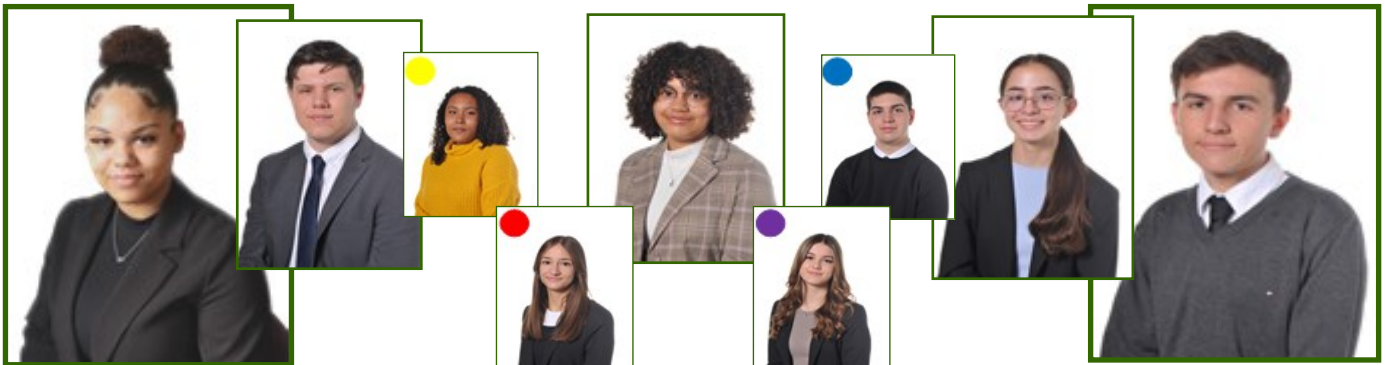


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Emptied toilets, often at night, because waste couldn't just be conveniently flushed away before the invention of the sewerage system

6th Form Prefects 2023

The full prefect team has finally been announced and we are pleased to introduce the new line-up!



Chenai, Daniel, Tabitha, Sarah, Lisa, Scarlett, Leo, Mia-Grace & Lewis

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External Opportunities

GET INTO LAW & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
WORK EXPERIENCE DAY



Application Link

SATURDAY 22ND APRIL | 9:30AM - 2PM

HB **Hardcastle Burton LLP**
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS & BUSINESS ADVISERS

AUDIT AND ACCOUNTS APPRENTICESHIPS- FOR SEPTEMBER 2023 START

Considering a career in accountancy?
Looking for a full-time position offering a rewarding & challenging opportunity that will launch your career?
If you are interested in joining our team & being paid to earn a qualification in accountancy, please submit your CV together with a cover letter to info@hardcastle-burton.co.uk
Please ensure you enclose full details of academic qualifications (inc. predicted grades if applicable).
Full details are available on our [website](#).

Autolus

Based in Stevenage. A Scientific company making new cancer treatments. You can find out more about us on www.autolus.com

4x new Apprentice roles working in our Quality Control (Lab testing) dept at Level 3. These roles are for students leaving GCSEs & need to keep studying or leaving A Levels/Level 2s/Level 3s but don't want to go to University or want to get into a Scientific company. The learning part of the apprenticeship will take place at the new SITEC facility at NH College, Stevenage.

Full job description [here](#)

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 the deadlines.

These are copied to parents/carers as well for reference.

A few of these opportunities are listed here.

UK university & apprenticeship search fairs

Event Opens 9:30am
Event Closes 2:30pm

UK UNIVERSITY & APPRENTICESHIP SEARCH FAIR
LONDON SUMMER
Friday 23rd June
Tottenham Hotspur Stadium, London, N17 0BX

Special focus - UCAS Applications - Applying for Apprenticeships

100+ Exhibitors



Special Features

Large exhibition hall full of universities, apprenticeship providers and higher education institutions. Includes Russell Group, red brick, modern universities and specialist providers.

Apprenticeship Seminars
Valuable advice and guidance from industry experts.

Personal Statement & Application Seminar
Focusing on the UCAS application process and sharing tips to help students create a compelling personal statement that stands out amongst the crowd.

Russell Group University Seminar
Providing students with an insight into what life is like at a Russell Group University.

In case any students, teachers or staff are unable to take part in seminars on the day, all attendees will receive a link to online versions of each. These can be watched at home or used as resources at school/college.

Demonstrations
A number of exhibitors will provide fantastic interactive features for students to get involved with.

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