



# FEARNHILL SCHOOL



## Careerfile

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### Happy New Year!

Welcome to the Spring Term and the first edition of 2023.

### Year 11 GCSE Mock Exams

The GCSE mock exams took place in December. Students received their results at the end of the Autumn term. This was a wake up call to some of our cohort that need to knuckle down and make these next few months count. It is not too late to improve and meet, or even exceed, target grades. See p2 for revision top tips.



### Year 11 IAG (Information & Guidance) Meetings

These will take place between 6th Form interviews will take place between 22nd-31st January.

Those students that have applied to stay on for Key Stage 5 will have a formal meeting with Mr Marlow or a senior member of staff and their parent/carer. Those students not staying on here at Fearnhill will also have a meeting, at a later date, to discuss their initial plans.

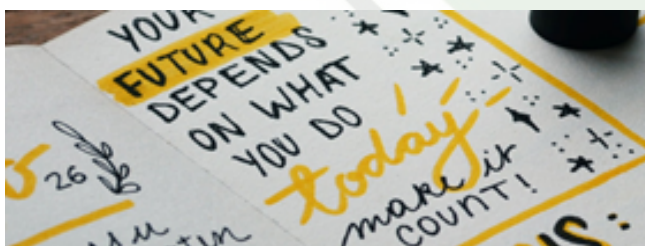
### Year 9 Options Pathways

Letters will be sent to the Year 9 cohort this month with information on their option pathways. The next stage of the options process will include selecting their option choices and 1:1 interviews, more information to follow about these.

### 6th Form Prefect Applications

Students have until 11am on Friday 26th January to put their application in to be a 6th Form Prefect. This would look great on your CV and is a chance for you to make your mark during your final year as a Fearnhill student.

*Ms Balchin, Careers & PSHE Lead*



### Important dates for your diary

#### Year 11 Parents Evening - Tuesday 23rd January

Bookings system still open, see emails

#### Year 11 CV & Interview Prep Day - Friday 26th January

How to create an outstanding CV & prepare for interview

#### Year 11 Interview Day - Friday 2nd February

Individual interview experience

#### National Apprenticeship Week - 5th-11th February

The 7th annual week-long celebration of apprenticeships

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



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## Alumni Careers Event

I have been inundated with responses regarding this event and cannot wait to welcome back so many familiar faces to Fearnhill to share their career stories!

It is so lovely to hear what ex-students are doing now in their career and what it has taken to get them to where they are. I am excited to see what an inspiration they can be to our current cohort who are choosing what path they want to take in the future

The event will take place on Friday 8th of March - look out for further details nearer the time.



## Services for Young People

Over the course of the next few weeks we will be providing you with details on some interesting and informative websites that students may find beneficial when deciding their future plans. As well as during PSHE time this academic year, it is advisable that students put some of their free time aside to access some of these and navigate their way around the different options available to them.

Services for Young People is a website for all young people in Hertfordshire where they can find a wealth of information about jobs and careers, and can also register for an account; they can then prepare their CV online as well as saving job searches.

Services for Young People enables young people to succeed. It is part of Hertfordshire County Council and provides youth work, information, advice, guidance, work related learning, outdoor education and support for young people. The majority of its work is with those aged 13 to 19 and up to 25 for young people with learning disabilities. It also provides support for young people leaving care, up to the age of 21, through the Services for Young People One Stop Shops and work related learning in Primary Schools.

[www.servicesforyoungpeople.org](http://www.servicesforyoungpeople.org)



What are you waiting for? Get surfing!!!

Any questions please see me.

**Services for  
Young People**

## 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.

The Benefits of WEX:

1. Employability skills
2. Insight into the work place
3. Increases your knowledge of our chosen industry
4. Maximises your chances of finding employment
5. Improves communication skills
6. Optimises your CV



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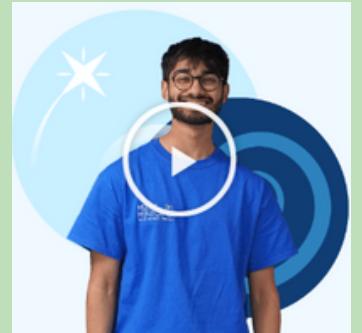
# Medic Mentor

Real Students. Real Journeys. Honest Reviews.

Pursuing your dream of becoming a doctor may feel overwhelming, but remember that countless successful doctors have faced similar challenges and doubts. Believe in yourself and your abilities, focusing on your strengths and passion for medicine. Medic Mentor and its community of supportive students and mentors are here to guide you. Embrace the journey, knowing that success comes from resilience and learning from setbacks. Trust in your intelligence, drive, and passion, taking it one step at a time and seeking support when needed. Never lose sight of your dreams, for you have what it takes to achieve them.

The Medic Mentor website has numerous videos of med students sharing their journey. Krishan is at the University of Birmingham, in their 2nd Year. Click [here](#) for Krishnan's story.

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MENTOR  
YOUR MEDIC FAMILY



## Warner Bros Career Day - Lisa 13HLR

Where was the event? *"The Soho Hotel in London".*

Were there many there? *"Around 30-40 students doing film courses, and a few young film professionals."*

Who did you speak to and what were they like? *"I spoke to three producers of the Wonka film and a costume designer. They were all enthusiastic about their jobs and very helpful when answering my questions. They gave me a new outlook into the industry."*



Were there any hand-on parts of the day - workshops? - or just talks? *"There were just talks, no practical work. We also had interviews about our experience and why we want to pursue film."*

What A levels are you taking? *"English Literature, Media Studies and Art."*

What's next for you? *"I am going to university next year to study Film and Television Production at the University of York (my top choice)."*

What is your career ambition? *"For a while I wanted to be a director but as I learn more about film, the more roles I'm interested in. Ultimately I aim to have creative control in many films I'm part of, whether that be in cinematography, production or editing."*



## Special Mention - January

Sacshi 10P recently took part in a work experience webinar - Careers as a Film Director. Sacshi is interested in careers that are either creative, media or business based or a combination of all 3. Sacshi said the webinar was really interesting and has helped her decide what she does want to do as well as what she doesn't want to do in the future and if she hadn't attended the webinar she would have never have known this. Sacshi now intends to do more webinars and today was able to add this under her work experience section on her CV.

Great job Sacshi - keep up the good work. I hope others take heed of this as many Year 10's have not taken advantage of all the webinars that have been sent their way and have an empty space under their 'work experience' section on their CV which will put you at a disadvantage when applying for jobs.



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# Top Tips for Revision

As we start the new year and following on from the Year 11 mock results assembly, it is important that you take the necessary steps to ensure you continue to maximize your learning potential.

BBC Bitesize have some top tips for studying and revision:

## 1) Get organised

Organisation in Year 11 is so crucial. There'll be homework, deadlines, coursework, assessments, exams, prom planning, as well as everything else that comes with being a young person and enjoying life. In short: it's busy. Having your time planned is really important, so that you can make sure everything gets done, you do it justice and you also give yourself time to enjoy what you like to do outside of school. Use your personal planner, phone calendar or a piece of paper to plan what you need to do, when for, and how it's going to get done. Think about exactly where you are in each subject, what you need to work on, and how you're going to go about it. Talk to teachers, school staff, mentors and anyone else who's there to help, and use the advice and support that's available. You can do this, and you're the one doing it, but you can't do it all by yourself!

## 2) Understand perfection is not practical

Get this: you aren't going to get everything correct in every assessment. You still have a way to go, and mistakes are part of the process of learning. If something goes wrong, that's fine; look at what went wrong, think about why, and consider how you can make sure you learn so that it doesn't go wrong again.

## 3) Revision starts early!

The earlier it starts, the longer you have to re-revise information. And the more time you allow that to move to your long term memory, the easier it is to recall in exams. Plan your evening's revision out and bank that knowledge for the future.

## 4) Look after yourself

The most important thing about you is your physical and mental health, and Year 11 can be a stressful time for everyone. If you're struggling, if you're not well, if it's getting you down... tell someone. Only by talking can anyone help anything, so don't soldier on letting it get worse. Talk to someone who you trust and start to make things better.

## 5) Be yourself... and don't compare

All anyone wants from you is your best. Not your friend's. Not your sister who left school three years ago with top grades in everything – YOURS! Run your own race and don't compare yourself to anyone else. It's sometimes hard when your friends are all getting exams back and talking about what they got, but your future is not about them, it's about you, doing your best, and being the very best version of yourself.

## 6) Enjoy it!

Massive things will happen this year which, right now, you're in control of. Take control of your future and own it. Enjoy the highs, get help through the lows, and make sure, when you reach the end, you've done the best you can.



Do you have any tips or advice that aren't mentioned above, that you feel would be beneficial to share with your peers? If so please email [admin@fearnhill.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@fearnhill.herts.sch.uk) with 'Top Revision Tips' in the subject bar.





## Key Word/Phrase of the Fortnight

TO HAND IN ONE'S NOTICE/  
TO RESIGN/TO QUIT



TO GIVE YOUR BOSS A  
STATEMENT THAT YOU INTEND  
TO LEAVE YOUR JOB.

## Obscure / Obsolete Job Titles



**agger**

a fish merchant or pedlar.

## Apprenticeship FAQs

There's more to agriculture, environment and animal care apprenticeships than muddy boots and farming—and demand for workers is at an all-time high.

If you love the thought of spending your days working outside in the fresh air and the idea of an office job fills you with dread, then a career in agriculture, environmental and animal care could put you at the forefront of supplying the country with food, producing crops, and enriching the rural and urban environment.

Any questions contact us

[Agriculture, environmental  
& Animal Care  
Apprenticeships](#)



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environmental and  
animal care  
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## National Apprenticeship Week 2024

★ RATEMYAPPRENTICESHIP

# APPRENTICESHIP ACCELERATOR

Fast-track your path to success  
with our free virtual event.

5:00pm - 6:40pm  
Thursday 1st February 2024

REGISTER FOR FREE

[here](#)



## National Apprenticeship Week 2024

SAVE THE DATE!

NATIONAL  
APPRENTICESHIP  
WEEK 2024

5-11 FEBRUARY 2024

[WWW.AMAZINGAPPRENTICESHIPS.COM/NAW](http://WWW.AMAZINGAPPRENTICESHIPS.COM/NAW)

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## External Opportunities

*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.*

# mazars

**In-Person Business & Accounting Work Experience with Mazars - [Apply here!](#)**

**Wednesday 24th January 2024**

## YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

**Years 10-13**

**Exploring a Dental Career**

Spaces are limited, so students should register as soon as possible [here](#)

**FREE LIVE** **GET INTO DENTISTRY** **VIRTUAL CONFERENCE**

**SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY** **9:30am - 3pm**



★ Aged 10-18 and living in Hertfordshire?

★ Interested in getting involved in research about health, family lives and communities?

**JOIN THE HERTS YPAG!**



The University of Hertfordshire young people's research advisory group are looking for new members.

★ Learn new skills, meet new people and have fun!

★ Get thank you vouchers and pizza!

Scan me for more info!



**OPEN EVENT**



**STAY CLOSE GO FAR**

See where a course at NHC will take you

**Wednesday 28 February**  
5pm - 8pm

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