# FEARNHILL School

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### Calling all Former Fearnhill Students - we need you... AGAIN!

Last year we hosted our first Fearnhill Alumni event and it was a huge success! So much so, we want to do it again, this time, bigger and better!

Did you once walk the Fearnhill corridors, learn in a Fearnhill classroom and wear a Fearnhill uniform? Then what better way to inspire our current students to find their future, than to hear from those who have shared in the Fearnhill experience.

It doesn't matter what your journey has been since leaving school, we'd like to represent a wide cross-section of careers that are available to our students.

Even if you attended the last one, please still sign up if you are able to come as there will be a new cohort of students in addition to the previous year groups wanting to visit you and ask questions on your current job role, how you got into it, the qualifications you need etc.

I am so looking forward to the prospect of seeing you all next year. If you'd like more information on how you can be involved in our Careers event on Friday 7th March 2025, please email: admin@fearnhill.herts.sch.uk

Spread the word!

#### **GCSE Mock Exams**

The GCSE mock exams are approaching fast. Students should be putting the skills into practice and using the advice given to them during PSHE lessons and at the Study Skills & Revision Techniques session that took place at the start of the month.

#### Ms Balchin, Careers & PSHE Lead

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



# CALLING ALL FORMER FEARNHILL STUDENTS... WE NEED YOU!







Ms Balchin, our Head of Careers, would love former students to share their career stories to inspire our current students.

It doesn't matter what your journey has been since leaving school - bank manager or basketball player, barista or barrister - come and let our students talk to you about your career path.

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### **Dates for your Diary**

Sunday 10th November

Remembrance Sunday

Monday 11th November

Year 11 Mock exams start

**Tuesday 19th November** 

Year 8 Parents Eve





# **Services for Young People**



# Year 10 Virtual Work Experience

Unfortunately the Year 10 students will not be going out on Work Experience this academic year due to the effect the pandemic has had on businesses, and also the current cost of living crisis, but we are investigating other options for them in order to give them a taster of the world of work.

Although the students won't be physically going into the workplace, we aim to give them the chance to prepare for, be involved in and feedback on a virtual work experience in the summer term. We also encourage students to seek work experience through family and friends during their free time in order to gain knowledge of the work place.

We pride ourselves on our work experience successes over the years and the invaluable opportunity that serves to develop their employability skills. In whatever format work experience takes, it will continue to be an experience that opens the students eyes to the opportunities available, the skills required and participation in the event able to be added to their cv.

# **Special Mention - November**

I have been so impressed with Michelle. She has heeded all the advice given to her in her PSHE lessons with regards to choosing her next steps post 16.

Michelle has been looking at all the options available to her including colleges, apprenticeships and of course Fearnhill sixth form. She plans to visit all the open days in order to make informed decisions about her next steps and how these might tie in to her future career plans.

Michelle has also been partaking in a variety of webinars (which are sent out to all students via email and found in Careerfile) knowing that these not only provide a great insight into specific careers but also look great on your cv.

I hope that all students reading this take a leaf out of your book, Michelle, and start creating their future. Top job!



# Youth Council



Applications open Monday 4 November and close Friday 29 November. We'd love the chance to hear about you and the reasons why you'd like to join our Youth Council.



YOUNG

Youth Council, where young people make the difference!



To learn about and meet our current Youth Council, scroll down the page. To read about the registration process, <u>click here to download</u> <u>our Application Guide</u>.

# **Apprenticeship Events**

# Wondering what top employers really want in apprenticeship candidates?

Ready to level up your networking game? Wondering what top employers really want in apprenticeship candidates? Pathway CTM has a lineup of exclusive events with top employers like Deloitte, Accenture, and PwC. Get all the skills and insights you need to kickstart your career!



FREE registration and access



free apprenticeship events coming up

# Competition

Find out more here.

Competition to provide an opportunity for creativity

Goldsmiths, University of London writing competitions for young people aged 16-18 aims to uncover the next generation of writing talent.

Become the next Young Writer (a short story writing competition for creative writers) or Young Anthropologist (for writing about identity and culture).

Both competitions have a £1,000 first prize and a runner-up prize of £100. All shortlisted entries will also receive a small prize.



Go to <u>https://explore.gold/young-writer-competitions</u> to register and for full terms and conditions.

outreach@gold.ac.uk

# **EMPLOYMENT SECTORS**



THE AREAS INTO WHICH THE WORKFORCE IS DIVIDED. E.G. MANY CREATIVE PEOPLE WORK IN THE STEM SECTOR.

# **Obscure / Obsolete Job Titles**



# ace Drawer

Worked in the lace making industry. Usually a child's job, responsible for drawing threads.

# Apprenticeship FAQs

Hospitality and travel apprenticeships open a door to the world as you serve up a great client experience.

Hospitality and travel is essential to the rest and relaxation of the entire country. The sector runs the restaurants where we eat, serves us from behind the bar of pubs where we drink, arranges the holidays on which we relax, and generally helps us to have fun-filled lives.



<u>Hospitality & Travel</u> <u>Apprenticeships</u>

Any questions please contact us.

# **6th Form Section**

"There were many amazing apprenticeship opportunities to learn about at the fair (alongside all the interactive activities) such as apprenticeships with the police service, EE, British Airways and many more. It was interesting to see the variety of jobs available from taking one apprenticeship route and the workplace skills it provides you with, also being paid whilst you are undergoing your degree is a massive bonus. Overall it was a great opportunity and an insight into the world of apprenticeships." Zach B





# APPRENTICESHIP ξ EDUCATION EVENTS

On Tuesday 8th October we attended the Apprenticeship & Education Exhibition in London



We went to StoneX stadium on Tuesday the 8th of October for an Apprenticeship Exhibition. There were many companies advertising the different apprenticeships they offer. My favourite of which were ATAC and AWE as they were STEM focused companies. The trip was a great experience as it showed us the countless opportunities that are available."

Riley M

### **Remembrance Sunday**

People joined the Armed forces either as professionals or had no choice and were 'conscripted'.

**CONSCRIPTION** meant it was compulsory to join up (enlist) to join military service. The Military Services Act 1916 specified that single men aged 18 to 40 years old were liable to be called up for military service unless they were widowed with children or ministers of a religion.

That would mean students in Year 13/Upper Sixth would have been eligible to enlist to fight in WW1 & WW2.

What happened if you were eligible to enlist to fight but chose not to?

# MILITARY SERVICE ACT

EVERY UNMARRIED MAN MILITARY AGE Not excepted or exempted under this Act CAN CHOOSE ONE OF TWO COURSES: In He can ENLIST AT ONCE and join the Colours without delay: If He can Al TEST AT ONCE UNDER THE GROUP SYSTEM and be called up in due course with his Group.

ENLISTED under the Military Service Act ON THURSDAY, MARCH 2<sup>nd</sup> 1916.

HE WILL BE PLACED IN THE RESERVE. AND BE CALLED UP IN HIS CLASS. as the Military Authorities may determine.

- 'Lest we Forget' means 'It should not be forgotten'.
- The phrase comes from a poem written by Rudyard Kipling (who wrote the story 'Jungle Book').
- Kipling wrote the phrase 'Lest we forget' after every stanza in the poem to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1897.

It is now often said to remember the fallen in WW1 and all those who gave their lives, especially in WW1, which is estimated to have cost 20 million lives worldwide.



# **Medic Mentor**

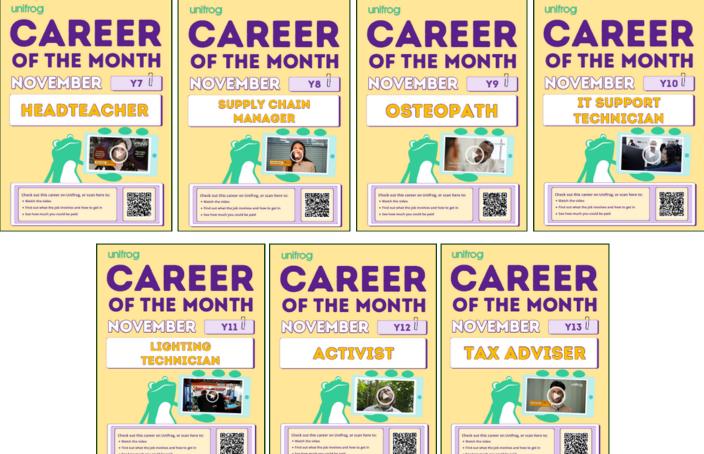
#### Real Students. Real Journeys. Honest Reviews.

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. Daniek is in their 3rd year at Nottingham University. Click <u>here</u> for Daniek's story.

### **Career of the Month - November**

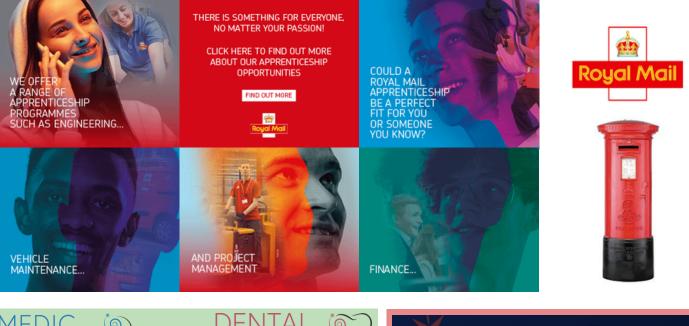
Introducing <u>Unifrog</u>'s 'Career of the Month' and 'Subject of the Month'! Students watch a video interview with a professional or university student and answer reflection questions.







## **External Opportunities**







If you are interested in becoming a **doctor**: Saturday 9th, Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th November <u>Sign Up here</u>

> If you are interested in becoming a **dentist**: Sunday 1st December <u>Sign Up here</u>

The conferences will be held virtually on Zoom, from 9:30am-3:30pm UKGMT. Suitable for any student **aged 14+,** from any school or background.

NOVEMBER | 5pm - 8pm

See where a course at NHC will take you

HITCHIN CAMPUS : 12 + 13 November STEVENAGE CAMPUS : 13 November ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CAMPUS : 13 November Live Virtual NHS Healthcare Careers Work Experience Programme

Take your first steps towards a healthcare career with the UK's only LIVE Virtual Work Experience Programme created and delivered by healthcare professionals. Select from one day or a full 6 month programme where you will follow patients from admission to discharge in the high fidelity simulation suite, designed to provide you with an immersive experience from the comfort and safety of home. Simply select the dates <u>here £10</u> if you opt for the full 6 month work experience programme. Certificates awarded for attending each day. No work experience day is the same (as in real life), but students will gain insight into a variety of healthcare settings.

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.