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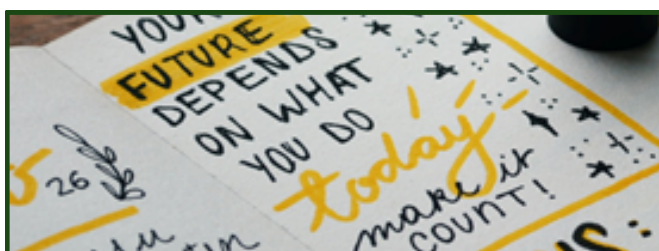
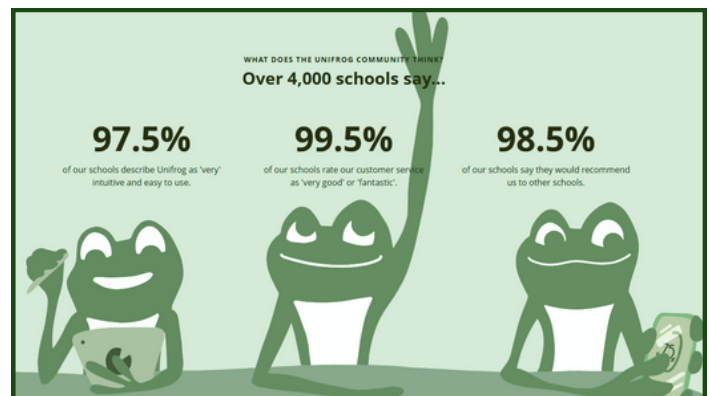
Unifrog is a platform designed to help students explore their interests, find suitable post-school opportunities, and manage their applications. It offers a one-stop-shop for students to compare universities, apprenticeships, and further education courses in the UK and internationally. Unifrog also provides tools for teachers to track student progress and manage applications.

"We help students compare every university course, every apprenticeship, and Further Education courses - then apply successfully."



All students currently have their own Unifrog log in and will have been using it to record their career journey so far. Students can dip in and out to add and amend their achievements through school. Any new students who join us during the year will be introduced to the program in PSHE lessons and can log on both in and out of school to keep their records up to date. Our new students joining us in Year 7 from September will also be added.

Ms Balchin, Head of Careers, WRL & PSHE



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



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UNIFROG WILL HELP YOU TO...

Explore pathways

Interests, personality and skills quizzes

Get to know yourself better by taking a series of skills quizzes covering interests, skills, personality and preferred work environments.

Explore careers using LMI

Search our database of over 1,000 career profiles, and use regional and national LMI to make informed decisions.

Placements / WEX

Enjoy work experience without hassle: our Placements tool is the industry leading system for managing placements, including the paperwork regarding Health & Safety, Risk Assessments, GDPR, Insurance, and Safeguarding. We make the experience streamlined for students, employers, parents and school/college placement coordinators.

Guides and webinars

Search hundreds of articles (with videos) on everything to do with progression and PSHE, and attend 10s of live webinars, featuring lots of interaction with experts.

Build a record of achievement

Record extra-curricular activities

Record extra-curricular and super-curricular activities, and over time build a digital record of the great things you've done.

Evidence and reflect on key skills

Using a framework tailored to your school or college, record examples of when you've demonstrated key skills.

Keep everything in your Locker

Store in your Unifrog Locker any sort of file or URL which might be useful to your personal development or progression.

Compare every opportunity

Compare apprenticeships, FE courses, and university courses, as well as thousands of undergraduate programmes taught in English across the world, including in the US, Canada, Europe and Asia.

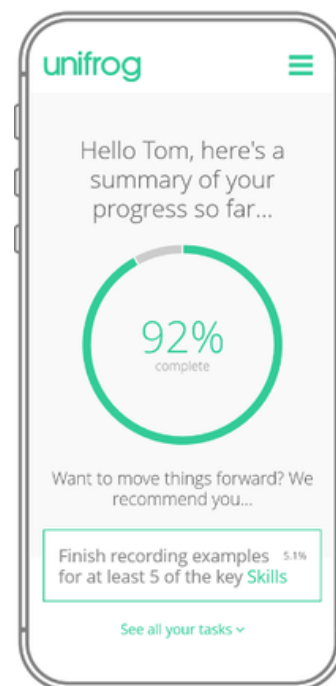
Craft excellent applications

Connect with universities and employers

Find scholarships, summer schools and virtual work experiences, and filter to see opportunities available only to students with particular characteristics.

Special opportunities

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SERVICES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Information, advice and support at young people's centres

At the 11-5 Hubs at our young people's centres young people can get information, advice and support with a wide range of subjects from our Advisers and Youth Workers

Services for
Young People

At our 11-5 Hubs we offer information, advice and support with issues such as mental health, relationships, personal safety, benefits and finances, housing and homelessness, drug and alcohol use and more.

Young people who are not at school or college can come to our young people's centres for help with progressing into education, training or finding a job or apprenticeship.

Young people can also access sexual health services.

Young people can contact their local team to make an appointment before visiting or just drop in during the opening hours. Making an appointment in advance will ensure you don't have to wait to be seen. Phone or video-call appointments are also available.

Please see [here](#) for full details of the opening times, address, location and contact details of the 11-5 Hub at your local young people's centre.

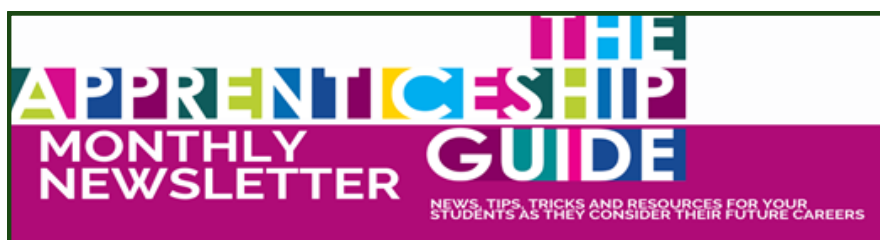
AMAZING APPRENTICESHIPS



Our monthly choices magazine features information and resources to help you to support and guide your child with apprenticeship and technical education decisions. Subscribe [here](#) to get future editions of Choices magazine sent directly to your inbox.



CAREER GUIDES



A monthly career resource for students, including apprenticeships to consider and new vacancies to apply for.

For all the latest apprenticeship resources, visit www.apprenticeshipguide.co.uk or follow us on Twitter via [@theapp_guide](https://twitter.com/theapp_guide)

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PREPARING FOR YOUR FUTURE

On Monday 2nd June, some Year 9 students were invited to the University of Hertfordshire for the 2025 Pathfinder Day.

The visit was to raise the aspirations of students who may not have considered going to University to further continue their education and enhance their career prospects.

The trip was very useful for those students who have considered going to university to gain an insight into what life on campus would be like. They got to hear first-hand from students from the university; had a tour of the campus and carried out exercises in budgeting and learnt about the practical skills needed living away from home.

"I found the event quite educational and we were taught some interesting stuff. We did a budget escape room of good ways of spending and saving money. We also got a tour round the university. It was very fun would recommend to do again."

Oliver

"I found it really interesting, showing what life is like at university."

Scarlett

"My daughter said she didn't realise how many different courses there were available for people to study at university and it was a big eye opener. She said she enjoyed the trip more than she thought she would."

Yr 9 Parent

"I really enjoyed the University of Hertfordshire - I found it informative and I enjoyed walking around with my friends and meeting some of the students and the University cat! My favourite part was going to the library and seeing students study! I can imagine myself studying there."

Lyra

"I really enjoyed the trip, I learned and saw so much, it's such a big nice place"

Sarah

"My son enjoyed the tour."

Yr 9 Parent

"I am happy to tell you that the Pathfinder trip was very exciting. I am very glad to be chosen to go on the trip and I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to. This is a great opportunity for me to find colleges in the future to go to and to have further education. Again, I would like to thank you sincerely for allowing me to come."

Tyisha



"I think the trip was worth it just to look at what university life is like. It was a good trip with a lot of useful information about the different courses and what campus life is like!"

Shalaa

"I found it good and I liked the university because its more freedom and more places to explore as in school there isn't as much , its also a lot different from a schools which is a good opportunity."

Faye



"I think it was a good experience to see what it's like to be at a university. I also liked how we got to see what the dorm rooms looked like because I've never seen one."

Isla

"I thought it was a really good experience and a good taste of what it is like in a university. It taught me how universities work and the different courses that people take. Overall I thought it was a great experience learning about the university."

Thomas



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 10 Employability Skills Day - 8th July

Students off timetable to take part in this event

Year 12 UCAS Day - 8th July

In school, enjoying a day filled with advice on how to make a great UCAS application

Year 11 into 12 Induction - 9th July

A letter with full details has been emailed out

Year 12 Activity Day - 10th July

A letter with full details has been emailed out

Year 13 Results Day - 14th August

Results will be available at school for students to collect

Year 11 Results Day - 21st August

Results will be available at school for students to collect

APPRENTICESHIP FAQs

Creative, media and the arts covers everything from film to fashion, music to gaming. In this section, you'll find apprenticeships to unleash your creativity, embrace your uniqueness, and embark on an adventure that merges your passion with professional growth.

Creativity takes on many forms and, likewise, the creative industry encompasses a broad array of jobs requiring different practices, talents, and skills. While artists and models may take centre stage, their name wouldn't make it to the lights without assistants, publicists, technicians, and, uh, lighting.

Any questions please [contact us](#).



[Creative, media & the arts](#)
[Apprenticeships](#)

SPECIAL MENTION - JUNE II

Congratulations to Emily who has just been awarded a BTEC Level 1 in Teamwork and Personal Skills for Uniformed Youth Organisation. This has been awarded by Emily's Army Cadet Force organisation in recognition of her commitment, dedication and progression through her training. *'This award is testament of their hard work and hopefully marks the start of the wider offerings available through the Army Cadet Force to its Cadets and its Volunteers.'*

This is a fantastic and well deserved achievement and one that will also impress future education establishments and employers. Get that on your CV Emily!

I know that whatever Emily turns her hand to - she will be a great success and asset to the workplace with her maturity and Fearnhill Student attributes in abundance.

Super proud of you Emily.



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YEAR 10 EXPERIENCE OF WORK

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!

Accountability Skills

Employers highly value accountability, which involves taking full responsibility for any mistakes or failures. They typically do not favour candidates who make excuses or shift blame to coworkers, as this can disrupt the workplace. Recognising your mistakes allows you to learn from them and avoid similar issues in the future. Equally important is taking pride in your successes and acknowledging your achievements.



MATRIX CAREERS GUIDE



**Parents
& Carers
Support**

Although all of the advice on our Careers Website is useful for parents and carers when exploring careers with your child, below are some resources designed specifically for you.

01 Where to begin? - The Parents and Carers eBook can help your child begin their career journey at home.

02 University – The UCAS website offers essential, up-to-date advice and guidance for parents/carers.

03 Student Finance – The UniGuide offers comprehensive advice for parents/carers, answering many of your most common questions.

04 Apprenticeships – Visit the Apprenticeship Parent Hub.

CHOICES MAGAZINE – JULY PARENT & CARERS GUIDE

Welcome to the July edition of Choices Magazine.

Choices magazine is the ultimate parent and carer guide to apprenticeships and technical education!

July's edition features Keely, a former dental apprentice, insights from Specsavers on their apprenticeship programme, opportunities with Volkswagen, changes to apprenticeships, and top tips for using summer to get ahead. We also highlight updates to post-GCSE qualifications, a quick guide to T Levels and advice for exam results days. Check out five ways to support your child's decisions and help shape future resources by sharing your views on the British Army.

[Download Now](#)



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KEY WORD/PHRASE OF THE FORTNIGHT

SHIFTWORK



A TYPE OF WORK SCHEDULE IN WHICH GROUPS OF WORKERS ROTATE THROUGH SET PERIODS THROUGHOUT THE DAY. E.G. SHIFTS IN THIS WORKPLACE ARE 6AM–2PM, 1PM–10PM OR 10PM–6AM.

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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. Afrida is at University College London, in their 5th Year. Click [here](#) for Afrida's story.

MEDIC
MENTOR 
YOUR MEDIC FAMILY



CAREERS ZONE PODCAST

Welcome to the new Career Zone Podcast. In each episode, staff from the Career Zone discuss careers related topics that's on students' minds right now. Our goal is to help prepare you for life and work after University, offering quality assistance and advice throughout your course, and for as long as you need it after graduation. We'll help you with a wide range of enquiries, such as: CV and application form advice, booking 1:1 appointments, advice on finding work experience, graduate jobs, or postgraduate study, guidance for interviews and assessment centres, helping you decide which of our free workshops and events will be right for you.



Careers in Product

In this episode, Oliver Laity, Careers Information and Systems Manager, is joined by Eve Carney and Allan Stewart from the University's Digital Transformation Team, to discuss product management as a career. Eve, Head of Product, and Alan, Product Manager, share what is meant by a product management role and share their career journeys. They offer advice to students on how to get into this field, the skills to develop and where you can find opportunities.

CAREER MYTH BUSTING



THE MYTH:

HR's job is mostly administrative.

THE FACT:

HR does require documentation – usually via digital systems – but bringing legislation to life and impacting positively on people is also a huge part of the job.

CAREERS QUOTE

Inspirational quotes from the latest crop of NatWest Group graduates. Some wise words of advice that make great discussion starters.



DON'T WORRY IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE SOMETHING BEFORE, IT'S NOT THAT YOU CAN'T DO IT BUT PERHAPS THE OPPORTUNITY HASN'T BEEN THERE BEFORE. KEEP DOORS OPEN AND MAKE THE MOST OF ANY OPPORTUNITY YOU GET!

KATE LLEWELLYN-CRIPPS, MARKETING & ATTRACTION, EARLY CAREERS

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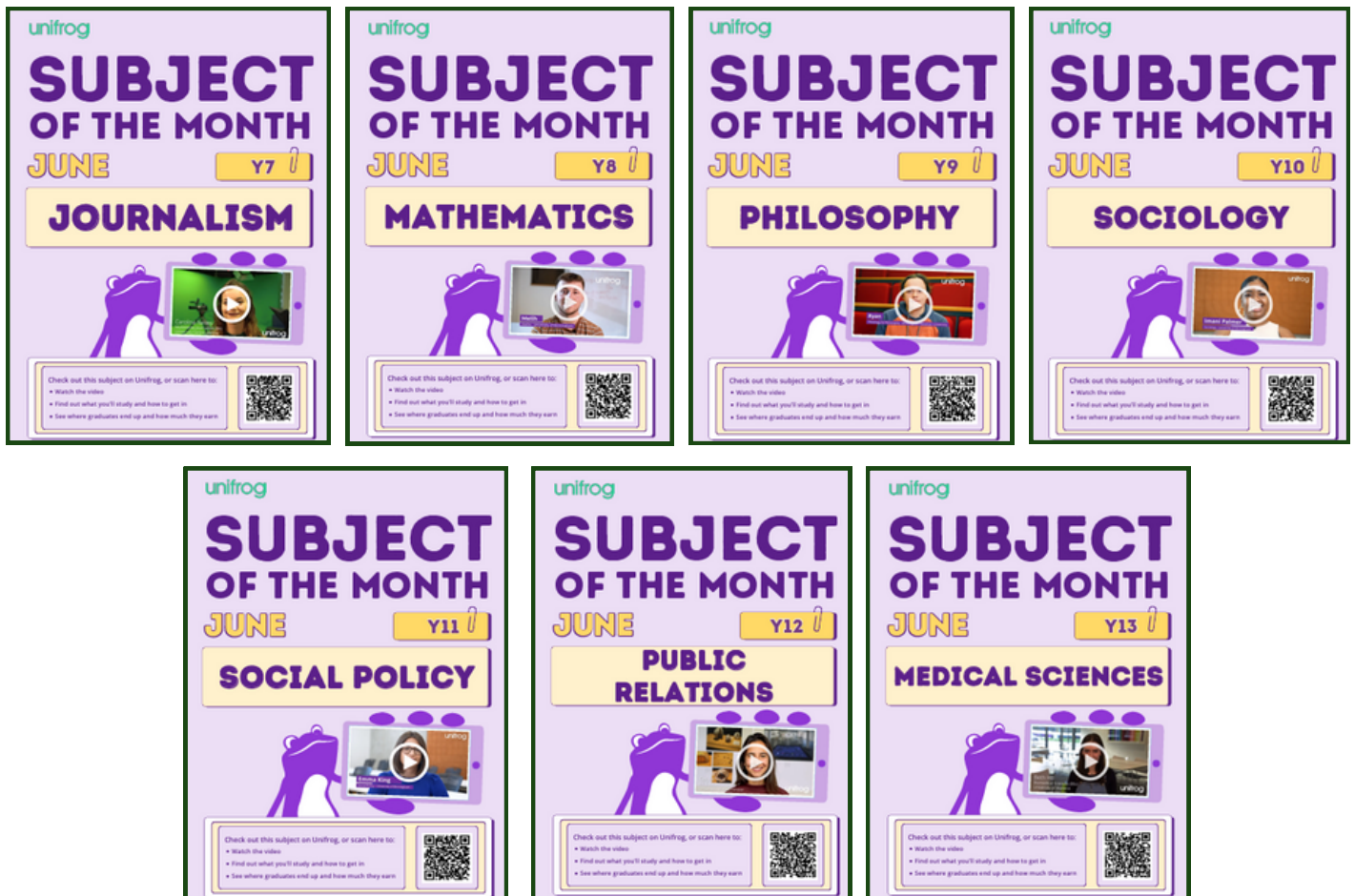
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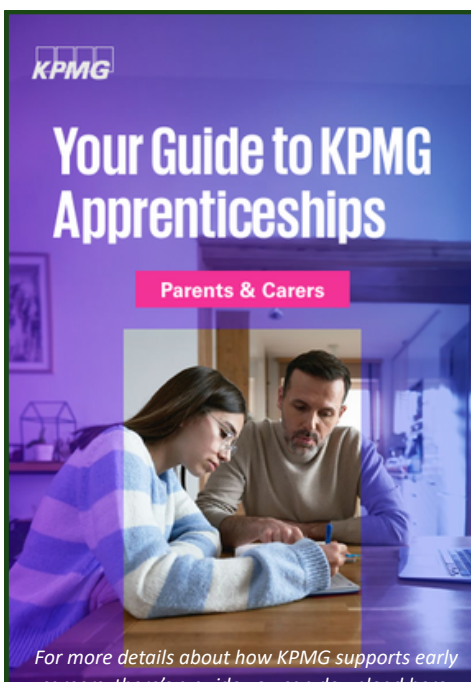
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SUBJECT OF THE MONTH

*Introducing Unifrog'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



A great opportunity for your students to get ahead with their future careers, available right now through KPMG.

By signing up to the KPMG Talent Community, your students will get:

- Early access to 2026 roles
- An insider look at what it's like to work at KPMG
- Application and interview tips

All they'll need to do is sign up here and that's it! They can then enjoy a stress-free summer, knowing they've taken their first step to starting their dream career.

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EXTERNAL OPPORTUNITIES



**GSK friends and family Twilight Tours on 7th & 12th August, 3:30-6pm
for Year 10 to Year 13 students (2024/25 school year).**

This event provides the students with an opportunity to tour site, learn about drug discovery and engage in interactive workshops (Biology, Chemistry and Large Molecule Discovery).

Places are limited and will be allocated on a random basis.

See Ms Balchin if you are interested in attending



🌟 **WIN:**

🎫 **2 x Priority Tickets to our Summer Conference at the O2 in July!**

📺 **£100 Amazon Voucher**

🧠 **Bonus: 1-1 Mentoring & Work Experience Opportunities with Dan**

TO ENTER:

Follow @ceodanmiller on Instagram

Tag a friend in the comments of his latest post

Share the post to your stories and tag @ceodanmiller for a bonus entry

Over on his page, you'll find:

🎤 **Live Q+A sessions**

👉 **Behind-the-scenes of building YP**

🎯 **Opportunities to shadow Dan and join him for work experience**

📺 **Competitions and giveaways exclusively for students**

This isn't corporate. This is community.

And if you're serious about your future - you'll want to be part of it.

🎬 **Follow @ceodanmiller now**

Let's open more doors, together.

Volunteer this summer

- ✓ Gain experience
- ✓ Enhance CV
- ✓ Boost job prospects
- ✓ Love sustainability

10% store discount

Volunteering with us has many benefits and your support means we can help people in our community to live life to the fullest.
Email: volunteers@ghhospicecare.org.uk

Garden House Hospice Care

Find out more

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.

EXTERNAL OPPORTUNITIES

Take the first step towards a career in childcare

Early Years Apprenticeships now open!



Apply now

Please contact us for more information

Gain hands-on experience, earn while you learn, and work towards a nationally recognised qualification.

T: 01908 211699
E: Recruitment@childbase.com

www.childbasecareers.com



Seasonal Early Years Practitioner

Are you a teacher or teaching assistant looking for a rewarding role during the school holidays? Join our Early Years Nursery Team and make a genuine difference while using your skills in a fun and nurturing environment.



Whether you're looking to stay connected to education during the break or explore a different side of early years development, this is a fantastic opportunity to inspire and support young children outside the classroom setting.

With flexible hours, a friendly team, and a joyful atmosphere, it's the perfect way to continue doing what you love, while making the most of your holiday time.

Wondering if a zero hours contract could work for you? Get in touch with our team on 01908 211699 or email recruitment@childbase.com, we'd be delighted to discuss the options with you.

www.childbasecareers.com



SET YOUR 'CAREER IN MOTION' WITH MBDA

Are you, or is someone you know, aged 16-25 and wants some help to kick start their career?

Movement to Work is a free, 2 week course hosted by MBDA that can help you gain valuable work experience and employability training whilst discovering Apprenticeship opportunities at MBDA.

Prepare for your future and explore a wide range of Apprenticeships from Level 3 to 6 in Engineering, Business, Manufacturing and IT!

Discovery Day Date: 8th July 2025
Course Dates: 14th-24th July 2025
Location: MBDA Stevenage

Register your interest via mbdamtw@thelaunchgroup.co.uk or call 0191 2618 456

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Scan the QR code to find out more:




Essay Competition 🏆📝
The In2MedSchool Essay Competition 2025 is Now Open! 🚀
 Calling all aspiring medics in Years 11-13! Sharpen your pens and dive into thought-provoking medical topics for your chance to win fantastic prizes.

Prizes:
 1️⃣ **1st Place:** Netter's Anatomy Flashcards
 2️⃣ **Runner-up:** Netter's Anatomy Colouring Book
 💡 **Bonus Opportunity:** Boost your skills with our optional Writing Skills Course—perfect for crafting a standout essay!

🕒 **Deadline:** 14th July 2025
 Ready to take on the challenge? Visit our website for full details and submit your essay [here](#)