

ORIEL HIGH SCHOOL FUTURES NEWSLETTER

Spring Issue

WORLD OF WORK

If you are planning to go into the workplace after Oriel Sixth Form then here is what you should be doing this term:

- Research possible pathways including making sure you understand the difference between the apprenticeships available.
- Make contact with potential employers
- Write and update your CV and cover letter
- Attend INsight events
- Apply for summer programmes



UNIVERSITY

If you are planning to go to university after Oriel Sixth Form then here is what you should be doing this term:

- Reflect on what you found out at the Apprenticeship Fair, the UCAS Exhibition and during Work Experience.
- Use Unifrog and UCAS Hub to create short lists.
- Attend a Taster Day to see if the university life is for you and whether you will enjoy that subject.
- Choose which subject and which universities you want to apply to.
- Visit those universities - attend Open Days.
- Write your personal statement.



Your predicted grade will largely be based on your **mock results**.

UNIVERSITY SUMMER SCHOOLS

Applications for Surrey and Sussex University Summer Schools are now open - spend a few days at university this summer to see if it's for you!

There is an academic programme to see what learning is like at university, but there is also the wider life aspect - living and socialising on campus.



ADVICE & GUIDANCE

There are a number of fantastic websites out there which offer information and guidance about post 18 options. Here are a few which we use in school ...

UCAS - not just university guidance. There is a lot of information here about Apprenticeships and different pathways.

Unifrog - you can create a parent account using Sign Up Code [HIXWParents](#)

Aspire Guide - everything from webinars to online guides.

TheParentsGuideTo - guides about the different pathways. These are available via our website

Amazing Apprenticeships - get email alerts to stay up to date and in the know.



WIDER OPPORTUNITIES



There are loads of opportunities to develop your academic potential and your skills.

- **Extended Project Qualification** - an independent project on a topic of your choice, equivalent to an AS Level. **Apply by 8th June.**
- **Student Leadership Team** - an opportunity to develop those teamwork and leadership skills whilst representing the needs of the student body. **Apply by 8th June.**
- **Work Experience** - our official WEX took place this term, but you can get more! Keep an eye out for opportunities to gain experience in the field you are interested in, or volunteer in the sector.
- **Duke of Edinburgh** - try new things, make a difference and have exciting adventures!
- **Legends@Lunch** - come and speak to our alumni about their career pathways after leaving Oriel (Friday lunchtimes).

FUTURES EVENTS IN SCHOOL NEXT TERM

Futures Workshop (22nd April)
Launch of the application process for apprenticeships and university.

Parent Futures Info Eve (12th Feb)
A follow up event to explain more about next steps, including Student Finance.

Futures Day (15th July) Finalising of the application statements so that students are ready to apply in Year 13.

Money Matters (16th July)
We will cover Student Finance and budgeting skills in this interactive day.