



Tring School

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Dear Students and Parents/Carers,

Re: Futures Events - Year 12

We are excited to share with you our plans to launch the Tring School Futures Programme. The Futures Programme will be made up of several events on different dates throughout the year and will incorporate information on universities, apprenticeships, work experience and careers.

The first of these events is a virtual presentation on **Tuesday 16 March 2021, at 6.00 pm** and will be tailored for Year 12 students and their parents/carers. This virtual presentation will air live on our YouTube page at 6.00 pm, as well as being accessible from the following day on the school website. The YouTube link to the presentation will be shared with students and parents/carers prior to the event. This first presentation will provide an overview of the UCAS process, along with information about apprenticeship programmes and how work experience will run for Year 12 students this year. We would strongly advise all Year 12 students and their parents/carers to tune in to this event.

We are already well on our way to informing students about their next steps. Over the last few months, we have been posting lots of useful information about future pathways to students on the Careers, Apprenticeships and University Google Classroom Page, which we hope students have found useful. We will also begin the UCAS application very soon and this programme of support will run all the way through to Results Day 2022 - and beyond. We appreciate that university is not the chosen path for everybody so we also offer a comprehensive programme for those students who would prefer to explore career pathways.

We look forward to welcoming you to this event and hope you find it both informative and enjoyable.

In the meantime, I would like to bring your attention to some important external events that are taking place over the coming months. Please do feel free to engage in any of the following, some of which we strongly advise for students wishing to apply to university:

- **Oxford UNIQ Programme: March 2021**

This is Oxford's flagship Outreach Programme. Applications for [UNIQ 2021](#) are now open and close on 15 March 2021. This is an online programme that helps students prepare for University and explore subjects that interest them. UNIQ starts in April and offers support for

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students over several months. Click [here](#) for further information about the programme and details of how to apply.

- **Oxford and Cambridge Student Conference: 15-26 March 2021**

The Oxford & Cambridge Student Conference is taking place virtually this year and is designed to bring students and parents up-to-date about the application process and admissions procedures at both universities. There will be an opportunity for students to chat live to course academics and current undergraduate students, and students will be able to access live and pre-recorded webinars throughout the week.

This is a really important event for students considering applying to Oxford or Cambridge. Students who have expressed an interest in applying to Oxbridge have already been sent the information and the [link](#) to book their place.

- **UK University Search - Spring Virtual Fair: 17 March 2021 (12 - 6.00 pm)**

This free virtual fair will be attended by universities and colleges including Russell Group, red brick, modern and specialist institutions. It will include webinars on UCAS personal statements, clearing and student finance. Students can speak directly to admissions teams to gain a better understanding of the range of post-18 options available to them and download lots of helpful resources. Click [here](#) to sign up.

- **Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge - live online session for Tring School students: Tuesday 13 April at 4.00 pm.**

This is a dedicated session for Tring School students and will focus on how to make a competitive Oxbridge application. This is a great opportunity for students to ask questions and learn more about the application process. Students should complete the form below to sign up to this session: [Sign Up Form](#)

- **UCAS Discovery Days - South East Event: 21-22 April 2021 (10.00 am - 6.00 pm)**

UCAS/Discovery Days are a series of online events designed to help students explore University options. Students will get to:

- explore and connect with over 100 UK universities
- explore different career opportunities
- find out about apprenticeships
- take part in live sessions and get their questions answered by the experts
- get practical help on personal statements, accommodation, student loans and more
- hear from current students
- join in live or browse on-demand

This is an important event to help students research and explore course options. For students who are planning to apply to University, **participation in this event will be expected.** Students can book their place [here](#). In addition, I would be grateful if students can complete the Google Form [here](#) which will give us useful information to allow us to provide tailored support through the UCAS application process.

- **For students interested in Medicine (and other healthcare professions), Dentistry and Veterinary:**

'Your Medic Family' is the UK's largest social enterprise dedicated to medical, dentistry, veterinary and allied healthcare applicants. They provide a fantastic programme to support students through each stage of the application process. A summary of what they offer is below:

- Medical publications, magazines and podcasts
- Free virtual Medical Society - students are mentored throughout their application journey, with access to guest speakers and medical case studies.
- Free live virtual work experiences for our aspiring medics, vets and dental students.
- Access to a medical awards programme - students who achieve the Medic Mentor Gold Award (and obtain 1 medical school offer) are automatically guaranteed an interview for the opportunity to obtain a £12,000 scholarship for university.
- Online Medicine/Dentistry/Veterinary Conference weekends.

There is normally a £50 charge to attend the conference weekends but we have been able to obtain 20 free places for Tring School students. Students should use the funding code 'tringschool' at the checkout. Please see the flyer below for further detail: [Medic Mentor flyer](#) and the website link for further information: <https://medicmentor.co.uk/>

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 16 March at 6.00 pm. If you have any university related questions before then, please feel free to contact Mrs Beck who is our UCAS Coordinator (cbeck@tringschool.org).

Yours faithfully

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