



Tring School

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Dear Parent/Carer

I would like to start by saying a thank you to both our students and parents for their hard work during this time. Students completed their first round of mocks and subjects will be sharing results with students in due time. Please be aware that the second round of mocks will be starting the week commencing 22nd February. Please see the links below for key information around the timetable and subject information as previously shared by Mr Barlow:

[Mock Exam Timetable](#)
[Mock Exam Information](#)

Please be aware that students will be on Study Leave for the duration of that week and will not be required to attend lessons. We have advised students that have less/no exams that week that they should use that time to continue their work for other subjects.

The rest of this letter will provide you with a number of key updates around UCAS, Apprenticeships and some key dates to look out for in the coming months.

1. Degree and Professional Apprenticeships

Year 13 students recently received a presentation from David Ritchie who runs a careers education consultancy. He talked about Degree and Professional Apprenticeships; how they compare to a traditional degree, where to find them and how to apply. A recording of the presentation can be found below:

[Degree Apprenticeship presentation](#)

Following on from this, there is an Apprenticeship event coming up soon that you and/or your child may be interested in attending:

Degree Apprenticeship Discovery Day - 18th February 2021.

This is run by Pearson Business School and is an online event covering useful information about Degree Apprenticeships and how to make a successful application. Click [here](#) for further information and to book a place.

You may also be interested in the resources below, one of which lists current Higher and Degree level Apprenticeship vacancies across a wide range of sectors:

[Higher and Degree Apprenticeship vacancy listing](#)
<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/parents/>

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If your child definitely wants to go down the apprenticeship route, or they are considering it as an option, please encourage them to fill in this [Google Form](#) so that we can provide specific guidance and support for your child.

2. UCAS Update

Student Finance

Year 13 students received a presentation recently from the University of Hertfordshire covering all aspects of Student Finance. A recording of the presentation can be found below:

[Student Finance](#)

The University of Hertfordshire is also running a 'Student Finance Information Evening for Parents and Guardians' on 24th February which may be of interest to you. Click [here](#) if you would like to sign up.

Student finance applications are expected to go live in March. You can set up an alert [here](#) to inform you when they open.

UCAS application deadline

The deadline for on-time UCAS applications has now passed. Many students have already started to receive offers, although there are lots of students who are still waiting to hear. This is perfectly normal at this stage in the application cycle and certainly nothing to worry about. Each university will make their decisions at different times, although the final deadline for decisions is 20th May 2021.

Replying to offers

Mrs Beck will be running a session with students in March to go through the next steps of the UCAS process, in particular on replying to offers, applying for student accommodation, UCAS Extra/Clearing/Adjustment. A copy of the presentation will be posted on the school website afterwards.

In the meantime, the UCAS website has lots of helpful information for parents; a few links you might find useful are below:

[UCAS: Replying to offers](#)

[UCAS Parent Information Tool](#)

[Student Finance Guide for Parents and Guardians](#)

If you have any specific questions about the UCAS process, please feel free to contact Mrs Beck, UCAS Coordinator who would be happy to help you (cbeck@tringschool.org).

Finally, we hope you have a restful half term break and all stay safe.

Yours faithfully,

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Head of Year 13