# **CAREERS NEWS**



### Wimbledon College Careers Newsletter

This has been an action-packed term with students learning about future pathways available to them and also hearing from some inspirational speakers about their careers.

The careers programme is delivered through a variety of methods including PSHE lessons, tutor periods, individual interviews, trips and visits. We are extremely grateful to all who have helped so far this year in supporting our students in their future choices.

#### **Lower Line**

It has been very pleasing to see so many Figures (7) students at our 'Future Talks' which have been delivered about surveying and becoming a surgeon. They have also had a weekly tutor session focusing on 'jobs of the week' where they learn more about pathways.

Rudiments (8) boys have had four PSHE lessons focusing on financial decision making as well as equality in the workplace.

Lower Grammar (9) have joined the rest of the College in having specific *Science* and *Maths Careers Weeks* showing how these subjects can help progression in the future.







#### **Higher Line**

All our **Grammar (10)** pupils will embark on five days of **Work Experience** during the final week of summer term, providing pupils with opportunities to learn new skills and improve on many they already have.

**Syntax (11)** were very privileged to hear from entrepreneur and ex *Dragons Den* star, **Theo Paphitis**.



He gave an insightful talk about his success in business and things that employers look

In October boys attended the **KS5** information evening about the courses that can be studied at Wimbledon College in the Sixth Form. This was a very well attended event and the vast majority of boys -we are pleased to see -will be returning next year.

We welcomed Kingston College to speak with the whole year group about their offer.



We wish all the best to our students who have interviews at **Oxford** and **Cambridge**.

Thank you to Mr. Simpson and Ms. Town for all the work they have given to help them prepare and to Glaisyers Law Firm for their interview support.





#### 80 Lower Grammar (Year 9)

students had a chance to go on a tour around Roehampton University in November.

The student ambassadors gave them an overview of the university and what it is like to be a student there.



#### **YEAR 11**

### CAREERS GUIDANCE MEETINGS

Mrs. Parrish the school's Careers adviser has been meeting with every Year 11 student this term.

The meetings are designed to ensure students have a full overview of the choices they have Post 16 and gives an opportunity for students to receive personalised advice and guidance.

Following the meeting students are sent a summary of the discussions and action points highlighting the next steps students should be taking in researching and



applying for the opportunities available to them. A majority of students will have had their meeting by the end of the Autumn term with the remainder being seen by the end of January.

Here are just some of the opportunities we helped our Sixth Form students take part in this Autumn term, to develop our students' future career prospects and employability.

\* Jonathan Taylor-Bird & Bird Sports Law



\* Lawrence Tijani –Just a Guy



- \* Zach Brech Finance/CEO
- \* Jimmy Worrall- <u>Leaders in</u> <u>Sport</u>



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All students have been granted access to Unifrog, a learning platform where students can explore possible career paths.

Please see <a href="www.unifrog.org">www.unifrog.org</a> for further details. Unifrog resources will be used in tutor time and during careers guidance meetings, but we also en-

courage students and parents to access the resources on the Unifrog online platform independently.

Unifrog is used for the following reasons:

- It is a one-stop shop where students have the power to explore their own interests and career paths.
- It has thousands of resources, tips and information relating to different career pathways, universities and apprenticeships.

A huge thank you to all our OWs and parents who shared their time and expertise as speakers and panelists for some incredible events.

If you think that you could support the College in the delivery of careers and educational guidance please do not hesitate to email us at

careers@wimbledoncollege.org.uk

## **Apprenticeships**

In November, Students in Year 13 had Apprenticeship talks delivered by <a href="PWC">PWC</a>, <a href="MACE">MACE</a> and <a href="Unilever">Unilever</a> which gave a thorough overview of apprenticeships as a pathway open to students Post 18.



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Year 13 students applying for Higher and Degree Apprenticeship vacancies will find that a majority of vacancies at these levels are advertised October to March.

You can find most apprenticeships advertised on these websites:

https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/search?show=jobs

but additional vacancies can be found via social media and companies own websites.

Everything you need to know about apprenticeships:

 $\underline{https://amazing apprenticeships.com/apprenticeships/}$