

# Careers Update July 2022

All Year 11 students should be taking part in Activate if they are staying on at Sixth Form. Activate offers students an experience of Year 12 lessons and ensures the transition is smooth from Year 11 to 12. It introduces the new courses and gives students an opportunity to experience Sixth Form life and the facilities on offer. The day includes a free lunch and numerous talks about sixth form and opportunities for personal development. Students are encouraged to ask questions and learn about the new subjects and specifications. Enrichment choices, the Sixth Form Pastoral Care and the college system are introduced by Mr Andrews, Head of Sixth Form. For more information please email: darren.andrews@driffieldschool.org.uk

Students have the opportunity to apply for the bursary and complete transport applications with Miss Bateman the Sixth Form Tutor. The new Sixth Form Personal Development Co-ordinator is Mrs Amers. Mrs Amers will introduce the new and exciting enrichment programme. This will again include the highly successful Industry Mentoring Programme. Students will be able to access high quality mentoring from industry professionals. Students interested in a career in medicine can apply for MEDSOC. This mentoring scheme ensures students are thoroughly prepared to successfully apply for Medicine. They will have the opportunity to complete relevant work experience linked to their future course and career. We have an excellent success rate for students applying for medicine.

Year 13 students are currently finalising apprenticeship applications. Students are confirming universities, booking accommodation and finalising student finance. Many of our students have gone into Degree/Higher Apprenticeships in all industry sectors. These include Barclays, Rolls Royce, Nestle, Smailes Goldie, Bradbury and Co Ltd, Aunt Bessie's, Dentons and Airbus. The Industry Led Mentoring Scheme helps to ensure students are ready to apply for a degree/higher apprenticeship. It helps them search for apprenticeships and prepare them for the application, interview and selection process.

Year 12 students have registered for their UCAS applications. On Tuesday 21 June Year 12 students attended the UCAS Convention in Hull. This Friday, 1 July, students are attending The University of York open day. Last week Mr Andrews delivered the 'Next Steps' information evening with parents andcarers of Year 12 students so all are informed about the best steps for their needs.

Any Year 11 student going to college or into an apprenticeship should be taking part in a welcome day/induction before their start date. Year 11 students can still book a careers appointment and come back into school and talk with our level 6 Careers Adviser Suzanne Mason if they need additional support, please email: suzanne.mason@driffieldschool.org.uk for an appointment.

We appreciate some students change their minds and may decide on a different pathway and we are here to support every student, so please do not hesitate to get in touch.

#### **Apprenticeships**

Students interested in an apprenticeship are advised to register for the Beverley Apprenticeship Open Event on Wednesday 6 July 4.30 - 7 pm. It is being held at East Riding College Beverley Campus. To register follow this <u>link</u>.

The amazing Apprenticeship parent/carer May newsletter gives an overview of how to help your child search and apply for an apprenticeship. Please follow this <u>link</u>. It highlights apprenticeships in

catering and hospitality. It introduces the new T levels which are starting in September, these include engineering, finance, management and administration. T levels combine classroom study with an industry placement which is approximately 9 weeks of work experience.

The June <u>edition</u> highlights apprenticeships at BT, in manufacturing and occupational traineeships. <u>Futureme</u> gives advice and guidance for parents/carers and students about apprenticeships and higher education to help decide which is the most suitable pathway. It shows real life student examples.

Today there are 262 apprenticeships of all levels advertised in a 20 mile radius from Driffield and access this <u>link</u> for full details.



## National Citizen Service

Year 11 students who wish to take part in the NCS but have not already signed up need to contact the NCS team on:

ncs@tigerstrust.co.uk or richard.dexter@tigerstrust.co.uk

The NCS programme offers young people, aged 16-17, a once in a lifetime opportunity to do something meaningful with their summer break, as well as a chance to develop their employability skills and take on new challenges that will set them up for adult life. They will make a difference in their local community, and carry out a project to support a cause they care about. More information on the NCS summer programme can be found on their <a href="website">website</a>. Students who take part in the NCS will:

- Meet new people
- Try new things
- Give back to their local community through voluntary action
- Take on new challenges
- Develop the skills and confidence to take on their next steps
- Generate experience for their university application, job/apprenticeship interview or CV and more!

### Paid Summer Work Experience at Reds10 for Sixth Form Students

The highly successful local company Reds10 is offering paid four-week summer placements this summer based in their offices. This is fantastic opportunity to gain valuable work experience and earn some money.

If you are interested then please email lynhoward@reds10.com with your details, and a letter saying why you would like the placement, and a curriculum vitae. Please visit Reds10 website for more information about this highly successful business:

# Paid Gap Year Opportunity for Students

Yipiyap employs school-leavers and gap year takers, training them up as in-school tutors in Science, English, and Maths. They are currently recruiting for a vacancy in Bridlington. Ideally, the candidate would have A Levels in the subjects they wished to tutor, or at least strong passes at GCSE. Please follow this link for more information.