



## CATERHAM SCHOOL

### **Autumn Term Careers Bulletin**

Welcome to the Autumn Term instalment of the careers bulletin. Below is a range of information about what has been happening this term and what is coming up in the months to come for our pupils and indeed their parents and guardians. At the very end is a brief update on the current university application cycle which relates to our Upper Sixth pupils.

Please do take a look and feel free to drop me a line if you have any questions or thoughts, and happy reading!

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### **Future and Ongoing Events**

#### **Mock Interviews**

Any Upper Sixth pupil (who is not also an Oxbridge, Medic, Dentist or Vet applicant) who would like a mock interview should contact me, Mrs Brown, and I will arrange one for you.

#### **November 2017**

#### **STEM Careers, Monday 21 November – 7pm Humphreys Theatre**

See letters for more information.

#### **PwC Visit – Tuesday 21 November - 4.15-5.45pm Venue TBC**

On Tuesday 21 November we are delighted to welcome representatives from the prestigious international organisation, PwC. They will be running an interactive workshop for pupils in the Fifth Year and above. They will be talking about their school leaver, degree apprenticeship and graduate career programmes as well as advising pupils on how to build their employability skills in order to offer strong applications in a very competitive market.

Please sign up on Wise Pay to reserve a place.

#### **January 2018**

#### **Introduction to Oxbridge Information Evening – Wednesday 24 January - 7pm**

All parents and pupils (Fourth Year to Sixth Form) are invited to find out more about all things Oxbridge at an evening hosted by Kim Wells. Two Admissions Tutors from Oxford and Cambridge will talk through the process and bust the myths behind making an application. Further details next term.

### **UCAS and Beyond Caterham Information Evening – Monday 29 January - 7pm**

Open to all parents and pupils in Lower Sixth to introduce the UCAS process. Further details next term.

### **Centigrade Higher Education Questionnaire – Tuesday 30 January - During School Day**

Short online questionnaire for Lower Sixth pupils to help them understand the subject options open to them at university.

### **February 2018**

#### **Careers Evening – Tuesday 20 February – 7pm**

Open to parents and pupils in Fourth Year and above. Topic to be confirmed. More details next term.

### **March 2018**

#### **Careers Evening – Tuesday 20 March – 7pm**

Open to all parents and pupils in Lower Sixth to introduce the UCAS process. Further details next term.

### **May 2018**

#### **Degree Apprenticeships Evening – Monday 21 May – 7pm**

Talks from organisations offering alternative route to gaining a degree but without the debt!

### **July 2018**

#### **University Fair 2018 – 3 July - 3-7pm**

Following on from the hugely successful university fair this summer, we can announce that next year's fair will take place on Tuesday 3 July, running between 3-7pm. We hope this later slot will allow more parents to attend. Details will be sent out next year but please do put the date in your diary.

### **Past Events**

#### **Careers in the City**

On Monday 2 October we welcomed ten parents and Old Caterhamians to the School, to talk about their career paths so far. Old Cat, Todd Styles talked about his accountancy apprenticeship and how he knows he made the right decision not to go to university, choosing to study and work in order to avoid pupil debt. We also had talks on ship broking, tax consultancy, management consultancy, life as a barrister in specialisms such as family and financial law, the legal profession, actuarial science and human resources. Pupils had the opportunity to find out more about these careers and the roots into the professions.

#### **Hong Kong University of Science and Technology Visit**

We were delighted to welcome Jacky and Ludovic from the pupil recruitment office to the School on 6 October. It was wonderful to hear about the opportunities for pupils to study some varied and highly sort after courses at such a wonderful world class university. All courses are taught in English

and the flexible nature of the modules pupils can opt from, make very interesting reading. Please follow [HKUST](#) for more information.

## **Careers Information**

### **Graduate Careers 2017**

High Fliers have published their latest research on the state of the graduate market. Please follow [Graduate Careers](#) to find out more. The reports offers some very interesting data and statistics for future career planning.

### **The Times Top 100 Graduate Employers**

An extremely useful tool for career planning and job hunting. Access to company profiles, their recruitment process and lots more. Please see this [Times Top 100 Graduate Employers](#) link for more information. The site is free but you will need to register.

### **Degree Apprenticeship Update**

Degree apprenticeships offer fantastic opportunities for pupils to obtain a degree whilst being paid to work at the same time. The degree aspect can take between 3-6 years to accomplish but it is sponsored by the company, resulting in a debt free university qualification!

### **Here are some you might like to look at!**

[Nestle](#)

[L'Oreal](#)

[Deloitte](#)

[BBC](#)

[Grant Thornton](#)

[Williams F1](#)

[Jaguar Land Rover](#)

### **Careers Courses (Please click on the course name for a link to the website)**

[Debate Chamber](#) – a fantastic range of courses from art, to architecture, law to history and classics to engineering.

[Medlink](#) – suitable for aspiring medics.

[Vetsim](#) – for aspiring vets.

[Medicine and Law](#) – as it says on the tin!

[STEM](#) – science, technology, engineering and maths based courses

### **2017-18 university applications: news and information**

**UCAS**

We are pleased to report that 63 applications, which include 51 early applications (Oxbridge, Medics, Dentists and Vets) have been submitted to UCAS so far. 54 Offers have already been received, an encouraging position for this stage of the cycle.

We would like to encourage all pupils who have yet to submit their applications to do so in the next week. The School require some time to check and process these before they are finally sent to UCAS.

### **Overseas University Applications**

Twenty pupils are applying to universities in Hong Kong, Australia, America and Canada this year.

### **Hong Kong Universities**

Early application deadlines for Hong Kong universities are fast approaching and documents must be submitted by 15 November, please. Regular applications are to be submitted by 5 January in most cases. Please remember that Mrs Brown does not work over the Christmas break so any online references need to be requested by 5 December!