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To Parents and Guardians of pupils in the Senior School

Dear Parents and Guardians

### **Careers Weekly Newsletter – No 8 - Week commencing 19 November 2018**

Here is this week's careers newsletter. There are some really fantastic events coming up, both inside and outside of school, so please do have a look and see if anything takes your fancy. The Cambridge Coding summer school is open to students from the age of 13 and above too.

Just to remind you to let me know if there is anything you would like covered in the newsletter. I am aware that a lot of the information is aimed at Year 11 and upwards so it would be great to include some suggestions from pupils in Year 7-10 too. Please email me and I will try to include your ideas.

#### **Internal Events**

##### **PwC Workshops – TONIGHT Monday 19 November (Year 11, 12, 13 only)**

We are delighted to welcome PwC to Caterham School next Monday 19 November, when they will be running a workshop about their school leaver, degree apprenticeship and graduate career programmes. They will also be talking about how you can make sure you have the skills and experiences ready to face the recruitment process of these very sort after international organisations. The work shop will run from 4.30pm and finish at 5.45pm and take place in the library.

#### **External Events**

##### **Is 'The Handmaid's Tale' really a feminist text?**

Queen Mary University of London are hosting an expert panel discussion on Wednesday 21 November between 3.15-6pm. The event is free and open to any Year 12/13 pupil who is studying English A level. Click [here](#) for more detail and to register to attend.

##### **University of Birmingham Masterclass Programme**

Offering a wide range of subject matter, the University of Birmingham masterclass programme is an ideal way to get a feel for studying your subject at university level. Usually a morning or afternoon session, these could be combined with a self-guided visit to the university and a tour of the city. Click [here](#) for the full list and details of how to book.

##### **Cambridge Coding Summer School 2019**

A summer school for students interested in Computing, Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. Staying in one of the Cambridge colleges you will learn how to build a game, create a web app and much more! Suitable for students aged 13-18. More detail can be found [here](#).

#### **University Scholarships and Bursaries**

##### **The Scholarships Hub**

[The Scholarships Hub](#) is a great website listing the many university scholarships and bursaries available around the UK. You can search for university and course linked funding, which makes it very easy. You do have to register first. For example, did you know the University of Bath offers the Bill Whiteley sporting achievement award of £5,000 a year to someone studying with the School of Management who makes a positive impact on the university's standing? So check out their pages and see what you can find.

## **Bulkeley–Evans Gap Year Scholarship**

If you are considering a gap year that involves working with a project in poorer countries or organisations, then you may be able to apply for the above scholarships. There are eligibility criteria and you are expected to write reports about your experiences but these are well worth applying for. There are approximately 20 awards available up to £1000. See [here](#) for application forms and details.

## **Career Focus – Space**

### **Space Careers**

Ever dreamed of a career in the space industry? Did you know that there are other exciting roles to get into that don't involve being an astronaut? If your answers are yes and no, in that order then you might want to take a look at the [SpaceCareers.UK](#) website. Here you will find information about which [GCSE and A levels](#) you might want to choose, you may want some help to find relevant [work experience](#) or you might want to research what an Aerodynamicist, Navigational Scientist or Oceanographer do by flicking through their [careers](#) sections, or find out about the latest [space news](#), either way this is an excellent website and I would recommend having a look.

### **European Space Camp – Norway 8-15 August 2019**

European Space Camp is an annual week long summer camp held at the Andøya Space Center in Northern Norway. Due to a fantastic sponsorship scheme, the week is cost free but you do have to arrange and fund your own travel to and from the camp.

The next camp is held from 8th to 15th of August 2019. ESC gives the opportunity to 28 young adults to spend six days running different aspects of a real rocket campaign including the launch itself. Scattered throughout the week are a number of lectures from some of Europe's top scientists and Engineers on topics varying from Rocket Physics to the Northern Lights.

The course is run entirely in English and open to any student aged 17-20 who is studying Maths and Physics. Please click [ESC](#) for more information and booking details. Bookings open on 1 January 2019.

### **Space School UK – University of Leicester**

Senior Space School UK is a residential summer school held at the University of Leicester. Aimed at students studying for their A levels with an interest in space, they will live on site in university accommodation and enjoy a wide range of lectures, workshops and activities, both academic and social. Please check out their website [Space School UK](#) for more information and to book. Cost is £50 although travel to and from the university is not included.

### **Interested in Astronomy?**

Then you might be interested in this free lecture at the University of Surrey at 7pm on Wednesday 21 November. Click [here](#) for detail and sign up

## **Resources Online**

### **The LGBT Careers Guide 2018/19**

[The LGBT Careers Guide 2018/19](#) which has just been released, is a great resource for finding out about LGBT inclusive employers. It is free and online but there is also a hard copy in the careers room and links to the booklet on the careers pages of Firefly.

### **Want to become a Chartered Accountant?**

Then you might want to look at an alternative to university. Study your ACA chartered accountant professional qualifications whilst working and earning a salary with the ICAEW (Institute of

Chartered Accountants England and Wales). See the [ICAEW](#) website for more information. You will also find information and career advice on their website.

Happy reading!

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