



The Year Ahead in Careers Education & Guidance

Welcome back to a new school year. I hope you are settling in well and are focused on achieving your full potential throughout the next 3 terms.

This year, in addition to both the employer and education provider led assemblies and Careers lessons in PSHE, we will be offering the following activities...

KEY STAGE 3

Year 7s:

- 'Skills for Work and Future Aspirations' workshop
- Unifrog activities

Year 8s:

- 'Social Media & Digital Footprint' workshop
- Unifrog activities
- Alumni careers event

Year 9s:

- Options process - choosing KS4 subjects
- 'Future Ready' group - various local employer visits
- University of Hertfordshire trip
- Unifrog activities
- Alumni careers event

KEY STAGE 4

Year 10s:

- Preparing for and taking part in Work Experience
- Workplace visits
- Generation Stevenage Careers fair
- College taster days
- Unifrog activities
- Alumni careers event

Year 11s:

- Navigating post -16 choices
- Next steps work shop
- CV Writing
- Interview day
- Unifrog activities
- Alumni careers event

KEY STAGE 5

Year 12 & 13s:

- A range of assemblies and insight sessions from employers, Technical Providers and Universities re: jobs, courses, Apprenticeships and future pathways
- Dedicated week of work experience
- Personal statements
- Applying for universities and Degree apprenticeships
- Preparing for life after 7 years in secondary education
- Alumni careers event.

Study Skills & Revision Techniques

Year 11 students had an extended registration on Monday 21st September to support them with their revision. Thank you to Mrs Nunneley and Mrs Martin for organising these valuable sessions.

Retrieve it → Evaluate it → Correct it → Apply it → Progress

Summer Work Experience

If you took part in any work experience over the summer holidays, I would love for you to tell me about your experience to be shared in the next edition.



Look out every issue for new features - all things career related!



What went well on the day, what did you enjoy the most?

- Learning/recapping study skills and having a timetable template
- The assembly
- Learning the 5522 method
- For me, AI is the best way to study. It works really well.

What can be improved for future year 11 students?

- Having another lesson where the skills can be applied and then students who have more questions can ask them in that session
- More study sessions at lunch

FEARNHILL SCHOOL

OPEN EVENING & MORNINGS

Prospective families are warmly invited to attend our Open Days and Evening to come and see us in action.

OPEN EVENING
Wednesday 30th September 2026 6:00-8:00pm
Families can tour the school, meet key members of staff and attend a talk from our Headteacher, Mr Tim Spencer.

OPEN MORNINGS
Monday 5th & Tuesday 6th October 2026 9:00-10:00am
Families can see a normal school day, including classroom tours during lesson time.

No booking required. We look forward to welcoming you to Fearnhill

Year 7 Pastoral Evening

An opportunity to spend time with form tutors, reviewing work and discussing the transition from primary to secondary school. We look forward to seeing you and celebrating the students' successes.

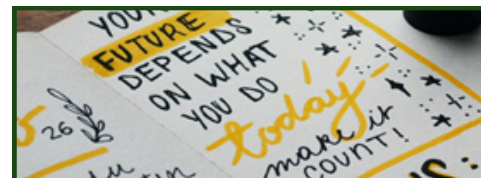


Post 18 Info Eve

Designed to help students and their families understand the wide range of opportunities available after Sixth Form.



Student Feedback



Services for Young People Enabling young people to succeed

Helping overcome challenges and make a successful transition into adulthood.

Delivering youth work projects and programmes, careers education, information, advice and guidance, work-related learning, outdoor education and other services.

Personal Advisers and Youth Workers are professionally trained to provide the highest level of support and work closely with partners to provide counselling, mentoring and access to other services.

Services for Young People
Hertfordshire County Council

All Year 11 students will have a 1:1 interview with Jo Bains, our Personal Adviser, starting in October. If any students wish to be seen as a priority please email me to secure an early slot. In addition students in all other year groups will have the opportunity to drop-in to discuss anything careers-related at lunchtime. More info to follow...



Facebook
Instagram

YouTube
Linked In



Duke of Edinburgh

Here at Fearnhill, we offer the DofE Bronze Award (DofE) to Yr 9 students.

Any questions, please see Mr Fox, DofE Manager.

This is a great addition to a CV!



Special Mention - September

Our new Yr 7s have settled in wonderfully and are already marking their territory! Well done to all on a seamless start from primary to secondary school.



Year 9 Future Ready Programme

On Wednesday 23rd September, our Year 9 Future Ready students had a visit from a local company, Weldability. The students were able to learn several new skills that they can carry with them through to the workplace. This is an amazing opportunity for the students, a massive thankyou to Weldability for their time.



"The laser was really cool!"



"You can earn a lot of money in welding!"



"It was a really good experience. I really enjoyed it!"



"I didn't realise there are so many jobs in welding!"



"A laser can travel 7 miles, which is all the way to Stevenage!!"

"It is really cool how metal is welded together and it was amazing being able to watch how it is done."

Key Word/Phrase of the Fortnight

APPRENTICESHIP



AN OFFICIAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN AN EMPLOYER AND AN APPRENTICE WHICH SETS OUT THE TERMS AGREED BETWEEN THE 2 PARTIES.

Career of the Month - September

Year 7 Career - Baker
Year 8 - Sustainability Analyst
Year 9 - Social Media Manager
Year 10 - Radiographer
Year 11 - Environmental Engineer
Year 12 - Auditor
Year 13 - DevOps Engineer



Spotlight On

A **unifrog** series
SPOTLIGHT ON

Scan to learn more & connect with this employer
Just make sure you're signed into Unifrog first!



Government Social Research

The UK Government's body for social research

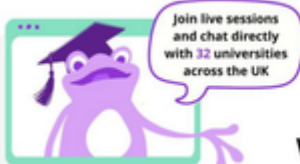


Unifrog Student Guides

Find out what 'accountability' means, how to create strong evidence of it, and how to use your evidence in your applications.



Accountability (Accessible)



Join live sessions and chat directly with 32 universities across the UK

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UNIVERSITY FAIR

Wednesday 14th October, 4pm - 6:30pm

Apprenticeships



Meet the Employer

Ready for a flying start to a career in hospitality? Build confidence, skills and careers for the future in a Pret Apprenticeship.



Apprenticeship FAQs

Meet customer needs by providing a timely, attentive and upbeat service

Any questions please [contact us](#).



the apprenticeship guide

Healthcare

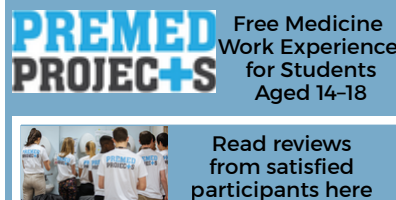
Medic Mentor

Real Med Students.
Real Journeys.
Real Success Stories.
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for Steven's story



MENTORVERSE

A UK-based national organisation and digital community dedicated to nurturing aspiring doctors, dentists and healthcare professionals and leaders.

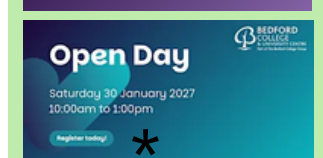
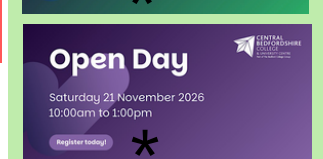


External Opportunities

Students are advised to check their school email accounts weekly, if not daily! Careers information and opportunities are sent regularly and we wouldn't want them to miss the deadlines. These are copied to parents/carers as well for reference. A few of these opportunities are listed here.



College Open Events



Virtual Insight Evenings

Year 12 & 13 90 minutes inside a global law firm One evening, and a genuine answer to "how do I become a solicitor?"
Tues 29th Sept 5-6:30pm Online-free to attend [book here](#)

Year 11, 12 & 13 Inside Lloyds Banking Group and first access to eight in-person Saturday events.
Tues 6th Oct 5-6pm Online-free to attend [book here](#)

Year 12 & 13 BrightStart Apprenticeships and Work Experience. Start your career at one of the world's largest professional services firms
Weds 7th Oct 5:00-6:30pm Online-free to attend [book here](#)