

Careers Advice, Information and Guidance (CEIAG)

When students leave Chenderit School at the end of their studies, they may feel overwhelmed by their options. In Chenderit School we offer CEIAG throughout their education through guest speakers and events such as tutorial sessions and our Post 18-Pathways evening. However, this information only scratches the surface of the array of opportunities available to young people. We encourage our students to gain work experience, do their research, visit events and conferences and look forward to the possibilities in the next stage of their lives.

Below are some links and information which could be used to start a discussion about their future.

This guide is aimed at students and any parent or carer who may wish to support this process.

University options

A good starting point is UCAs.

<http://www.ucas.com/>

This is the system students use to apply to University. There are many excellent embedded videos to guide you through this system. In Sixth Form, we offer individualised support to ensure students make good choices and make excellent applications through UCAs.

Some students may feel confused about the type of course they can study. It may be worth considering what you want to do in the future. For example, to become a lawyer, you do not have to study law at University. In fact there are some excellent apprenticeship schemes to work in law (please see Apprenticeships below) and many people study their first degree in a subject such as English or History and then complete a Postgraduate course in order to study law. The most important thing is to do your research!

<http://www.ukcoursefinder.com/>

<http://university.which.co.uk/>

University of London Taster Courses in a range of subjects, including French Studies

http://www.london.ac.uk/tasters?utm_campaign=taster+courses&utm_source=hs_email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=30278177&hsenc=p2ANqtz-8XSjZi6cnB40bFDa3077BGxDTZJuLJKq-wjEidZ7eOXLroajEbcEmpIGNbtsqTcKaI-IMly0R8TmshRTAA1czbyxUShysQBERcS6MKESC18-M1a4&hsmi=30278177

There are still places available on the French Studies taster course by the University of London Institute in Paris who will be visiting Manchester on Friday 24 June 2016 to give a FREE French

Studies taster course to lower sixth form students or anyone looking to start their university undergraduate studies in September 2017.

The taster course will provide prospective students with an insight into French Studies and will comprise of an introduction to the University of London Institute in Paris as well as the two taster lectures below.

The half day taster course is free for students to attend and will be taking place on Friday 24 June 2016, 1pm - 4.30pm at the Museum of Science & Industry (MOSI) in central Manchester.

Aston University offer Yr 11/ 12 Parent/ Carer information events this summer

http://www.aston.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/schliaison/parents/headviceevening/?mc_cid=7b025480ed&mc_eid=6f24ca5f7a

Aston University Sixth Form conference information:

<http://www.aston.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/schliaison/post-16-enrichment/conferences-and-study-days/>

Careers in Computing Event – Friday 15th July

University of Buckingham are hosting a fun and informative event to provide an insight into careers in computing for those considering studying computing at university. Places at this event are limited and are being offered in the first instance through local schools, so I hope that you will be happy to send this link <http://www.buckingham.ac.uk/event/computing-taster-event-15-july-2016/> on to students at your school, who may be interested.

Details:

15 July 2016 14:00 - 16:00

The Department of Applied Computing at the University of Buckingham will be holding a fun and informative showcase afternoon for those interested in studying BSc Computing or one of our many BSc Computing/minor combinations.

The event will take place at the Franciscan Building on our Verney Park Campus and anyone interested in studying Computing (and their parents) are welcome to attend.

You will have the opportunity to find out more about:

§ Diverse career opportunities in Computing § High salaries of Computing graduates § Life as a Computing student.

A Computing degree represents a tremendous opportunity for personal and career development and, by attending this session, you will know more about why studying Computing at university is your first step towards this truly rewarding career. This showcase afternoon will give prospective students an insight into how we deliver the Computing degree and how you will benefit from being taught in small groups with lots of individually-focused teaching.

Considering Studying Abroad?

Studying degree courses abroad is now an exciting prospect and more students are considering this option. There are advantages, such as immersing yourself in a different language or culture, and many students are attracted by the reduced University fees. Many Universities in Europe offer courses taught in English

There are companies such as Astar Future who offer a lot of support in this area. Also, some foreign Universities offer incentives and information days in England.

Astar Future <http://www.astarfuture.co.uk/>

Norwegian Business School – courses taught in English <http://www.bi.edu/bachelor/>

GAP years

This is another popular option for young people either between the end of their A Levels or after completing a University course. There are numerous GAP year companies who offer different types of packages. You may consider working for a charity in England or abroad. There will be a financial aspect to consider here but raising money for these opportunities show particular skill sets desired by employers. The most important thing is to ensure that you are using your GAP year wisely to learn skills, meet people, or earn qualifications.

<http://www.frontier.ac.uk/>

'Frontier is an international non-for-profit volunteering NGO that manages more than 400 volunteering projects and internship worldwide. We have been running projects for over 25 years, and have worked with a variety of partners including WWF and DFID.

Our projects can be anything between 1-30 weeks and run throughout the year which might be of particular interest to your students, looking to boost their CVs and experience a new country during their holidays or as part of a gap year.

We believe it is important for students to gain as much experience as possible before job hunting which is why we visit over 300 schools across the UK each year, offering general travel information and volunteering advice to students looking to make a difference.'

<https://www.gapyear.com/articles/90431/what-is-a-gap-year>

Winter Sports Company – Ski seasons

<http://www.wintersportscompany.com/about-the-winter-sports-company/canadian-working-visas/>

Job/ Training/ Apprenticeship opportunities

After completing GCSEs or A Levels, many students are interested in further training in a more practical environment. Local employers can offer exciting Apprenticeships at different levels. Companies like Aim Apprenticeships offer support, advice and guidance for CV writing and looking for Apprenticeships in the local area.

The National Careers Service offers a lot of free advice and support when looking for a job or training.

<https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/Pages/Home.aspx>

The Government's website is an excellent resources for details about Apprenticeships generally and opportunities in the area.

<https://www.gov.uk/topic/further-education-skills/apprenticeships>

<https://www.getingofar.gov.uk/>

<http://www.aimapprenticeships.co.uk/>

Chenderit School is contacted by local employers about opportunities and it is worth speaking to tutors and the Heads of Year who may know about employers seeking apprentices.

One such opportunity is outlined here:

Carillion are looking for an Apprentice in Banbury (Wildmere Industrial Estate). The M40 Motorway Contract is a 30 year Highways and Structures Operation and maintenance contract. We are looking for a candidate to work in our busy Banbury office that we can develop into a multi-disciplined role

The post is mainly office based (Banbury) however there will be a need to develop all aspects of the highways maintenance business including Highway Inspector training. This will involve going out onto the network with experienced inspectors to carry out detailed asset inspections. Key responsibilities will include:

- Ensure accurate and effective collation of data is recorded and input correctly onto paper and electronic data collection systems as required.
- Support site inspections in accordance with the Trunk Road Maintenance Manual and Routine Maintenance Management System.
- Understand contract compliance on data quality management issues
- Assist with the report preparation recording and logging of Asset data.
- Assist with the establishment and implementation of a programme of inspections and investigations.
- Administration functions associated with. Highway & Bridge Asset records.
- Assist with Highway Maintenance Planning
- Assist with commercial process
- Assist with the delivery of maintenance functions.
- Typing/filing/scanning/photocopying/diary entries/post
- Asset Data Input onto computerised system

Taking and producing meeting minutes

Business Administration Apprenticeship Details

The Level 2 business administration apprenticeship comprises:

1. Level 2 Diploma in Business Administration

2. Functional Skills in Maths, English and IT (with exemptions if the candidate has grades A*-C at GCSE)
3. Employment rights and responsibilities (in booklet format)
4. Personal learning and thinking skills (PLTS) - embedded into the other units and booklet completion