Swakeleys Careers News

This page is to provide students and parents with the most up to date information relating to a variety of CAREER NEWS including; work experience, internships, apprenticeships, volunteering, summer schools, STEM opportunities and master classes.

Whilst we are encouraging our students to apply for external courses please note that the organisations offering these activities are entirely separate to the school. Swakeleys School for Girls has not carried out any risk assessments in relation to these activities. For this reason, Swakeleys School for Girls informs you of, but does not endorse, external provider opportunities and will not accept any liability arising from student participation in these activities.

We are very excited to report that Swakeleys School is participating in a whole school focus on CAREERS over the next two weeks (6th January – 17th January 2020). Over these two weeks ALL staff, and ALL pupils will be involved in delivering and participating in careers related activities. Just to give you a flavour of the kind of events going on, please read below:

* On Tuesday 7th January – Dominic Traynor from Adobe delivered an inspirational assembly to all Year 7 & 8 pupils on careers in Technology and the required employability skills necessary to make pupils stand out. He also launched a competition to encourage students to engage and use their digital skills. 30 winners will be selected to attend a Masterclass workshop at Microsoft’s Flagship Store in Central London on 29th January 2020. What an amazing opportunity!
* Careers Assemblies delivered by Mrs Laguillo to other Year groups
* PSHCE lessons all focussed around careers
* IAG (Intervention, advice and guidance) session for all Year 11 students
* Taster lessons for Year 8 pupils to support with option choices
* Careers lessons in subject areas informing pupils of how their subjects and the skills they are learning in these subjects are transferable for future job roles
* **Whole School Careers Fair – Wednesday 15th January 2020**
* Insight workshops on STEM, University applications, Oxbridge, Apprenticeships for Year 10 and Year 11 pupils
* Careers doors / careers conversations across all subjects in lessons

Hopefully you will agree that there is a huge amount going on. The main event will be the Careers Fair. A letter has already gone out about this event to you all. It will be in the Sports Hall and all pupils in Years 8 – 11 will attend during school time. Parents are invited to attend with their child between 3.30 – 5pm. We hope to see as many of you there as possible.

**Current opportunities**

* **BT Open Evening - 20th January 2020 -** BT are hosting an open evening at their head offices in London on 20th January 2020 for young people and their parents to find out more about the apprenticeship opportunities at BT.    
  This event is for students in Year 10, Year 11, Year 12 or Year 13. Please [click here](https://www.allaboutschoolleavers.co.uk/jobs/job/1832744/bt-apprenticeship-open-evening-london) to apply for this opportunity.
* **National Healthcare Weekend for Years 10,11 and 12 students – FREE PLACES NOW ALL TAKEN**
* A weekend made up of lectures and conferences for students interested in *Medicine*, *Dentistry* or *Veterinary*. The days consist of talks and lectures covering experiences from A-Level, University and life as a fully qualified professional. Workshops delivered by a team of Doctors will cover work experience, personal statements and interview techniquesDates for London;  All held at the University of East London (Docklands campus)
* **London 1st and 2nd February**
* **London 21st and 22nd March**
* **London 25th and 26th April** & **London 18th and 19th July**
* This will clear the balance in your basket as you register. [Click here](https://medicmentor.co.uk/national-healthcare-weekend/) to register or for further details.
* LifeSkills created with Barclays will be part of Creative Horizons 2020, which will take place on the **6th – 7th April 2020 in Central London**. The two-day event will cover areas such as film, design, music, photography, advertising and many more. The workshop for 16-18 year olds is interactive, free and designed for young people who want to learn more about a career in the creative industry. Students will have the chance to hear from professionals in the creative industries who will share their expertise, whilst taking part in practical workshops.   
  For further information about the programme, how to register, the application process and example submissions from last year [click here](http://email.barclays.co.uk/a/hBd6RRsB9K28bB90bUNAAQgZRDA/events?CELL_ID=).
* Year 10 and above. A one day placement focussed on developing essential employability skills needed to succeed in any role within a law firm. This opportunity is on 20th May 2020 (during May half term). Please [click here](https://fsr.cvmailuk.com/osborneclarke/main.cfm?page=jobSpecific&jobId=47623&rcd=963229&queryString=srxksl%3D1&source=indeed&srxksl=1) to find out more details and apply.
* TMP Aspire 2019 – A conference packed with expert insight and advice on the medical school application process. The event is designed for all students from Year 9 onwards who are interested in studying medicine. [Click here](https://www.themedicportal.com/event/the-medic-portal-aspire/?utm_source=TMP+Aspire+Waiting+List+2019&utm_campaign=5bbd2e2ddc-UKCAT+Tutoring+Discount+15-5-18_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_0acefa6c46-5bbd2e2ddc-197287577&mc_cid=5bbd2e2ddc&mc_eid=7e21d09f1f) for more information about the event. Early Bird Tickets are only £20 if booked before the 31st May 2019.
* InvestIN Education provide one day training programmes for young people interested in Law, Investment Banking and Journalism. This November and December they are offering a [Young Lawyer Programme](http://edu10.sprintsend.co.uk/b2/link.php?M=78251&N=16&L=16&F=H) , [Young Investment Banker Programme](http://edu10.sprintsend.co.uk/b2/link.php?M=78251&N=16&L=17&F=H) and [Young Journalist Programme](https://investineducation.co.uk/products/the-young-journalist-programme?utm_source=InvestIN+Education+-+Schools+MASTER&utm_campaign=c189ccfa58-bankersschoolmar_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_ea2e31bba1-c189ccfa58-134974665&mc_cid=c189ccfa58&mc_eid=34424d8909), bringing in professionals from each of these fields to UCL. Click on the above links to find out more. There is a cost associated with each course.
* The Subject Matters, choosing post-16 options.  These events are taking place at the University of Cambridge and are open to **Years 10** and **11** students, click [here](http://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/events/subjectmatters) to find out more
* Excellent work experience opportunities for Year 12 students looking to enhance their CV’s and personal statements in preparation for future job / university applications. A great website with lots of useful information on all aspects of careers, CV writing and interview tips. [**Click here**](http://www.studentladder.co.uk/Work-Experience/work-experience.html) for more info.

**Useful websites for parents**

* The single, most reliable and up to date careers website for all young people **(11-19)** on careers ishttps://careerpilot.org.uk/
* A government fundedwebsiteis the **National Careers Service**. Its **Job Profiles** section contains descriptions of over 8oo jobs, with links to more specialist sources of information and guidance.   
  [**https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/job-profiles/home**](https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/job-profiles/home)
* Top website for parents, outlining options and offering sensible careers advice. <http://www.parentadviser.co.uk/>
* An excellent website with lots of updated information on Apprenticeships <http://www.allaboutschoolleavers.co.uk/pare>.
* There is also the main Apprenticeship website, government funded, which contains the vast majority of vacancies: **Get In Go Far**   
  [**https://www.getingofar.gov.uk/**](https://www.getingofar.gov.uk/)

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/>

https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

* Reliable and informative guide to selecting A Level subjects or BTECs, **Informed Choices** is written by the Admissions departments of all the Russell Group universities   
  <https://www.russellgroup.ac.uk/media/5272/informedchoices-print.pdf>
* Reliable information and support for parents with their child’s university applications and the UCAS process generally.

[www.ucas.com/ucas/16-18-choices/help-and-support/ucas-progress-parents-andcarers](http://www.ucas.com/ucas/16-18-choices/help-and-support/ucas-progress-parents-andcarers)

**Useful websites for students**

* The single, most reliable and up to date careers website for all young people **(11-19)** on careers ishttps://careerpilot.org.uk/
* Not sure what career you want to do? Explore the Job Profiles section of the Careers Service website for accurate information on hundreds of different jobs and Careers TV for video clips.

<https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/job-profiles/home>  
<http://www.careers4u.tv/explore/>

<https://icould.com/>

* Sign up to this website to explore careers, get the lowdown on top employers, and search for the latest jobs, courses and advice.

<https://successatschool.org/>

* A dynamic portal of 1000+ open days, tasters, study days and skills events. No registration, no fuss just a brilliantly fast site connecting you to events in seconds [www.mystudentevents.com](http://www.mystudentevents.com/)
* A great website offering useful links to information about jobs, qualifications, salaries and advice about CV writing etc.

<http://schoolleavers.milkround.com>

Research suggests that the majority of careers advice sought by young people is done using the internet rather than speaking with a careers adviser, professional or family member. It is vital that the right information is found.

***Please remember that we have a specialist careers advisor Mr Richard Williams who is available for 1:1 interviews on a Wednesday and Thursday from 8.30am - 3.30pm. Sign up for an appointment on sheet in noticeboard in LRC / outside Mrs Laguillo’s office.***