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This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are <u>underlined</u>.

OPPORTUNITIES

Are you considering a career in politics? The Patchwork Masterclass programme develops the personal and professional skills of young people from communities that are traditionally underrepresented in political spaces. Events, training and mentoring take place both in-person and online over the year to increase your political knowledge and engagement. Patchwork widens access and enables you to seize opportunities, build your networks and develop your confidence as an active member of political and civil society. <u>Read more and apply here.</u> Applications close on Wednesday, 3rd January 2024.



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From Monday 4th December, Not Going to Uni have launched a campaign which will focus on helping you to prepare for the January apprenticeship application window

Here's what you can expect to see on their social media pages (on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>TikTok</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>X</u>) over the next few weeks :

- Application form tips and tricks
- Interview top tips and advice
- Assessment Centre experiences and guidance



The Apprenticeship Academy is a 6 week programme that provides students in Year 11 and 13 with everything you need to know to find, apply for and interview for apprenticeship opportunities in the UK. Are you ready to commit? <u>Register here!</u> The deadline to register is Tuesday 20th February 2024.



Interested in thinking about your future but find reading information or watching videos a little tedious? Why not explore <u>Panjango online</u>, learn about the world of work and develop the knowledge, skills and experience to fulfil your potential in this gamified careers world!

For further information advice and guidance, or to book a personal guidance appointment please contact careers@melkshamoak.wilts.sch.uk

JOB OF THE WEEK

This week's video focuses on the job role of a <u>Anaesthetist</u>. They give anaesthetics for surgical, medical and psychiatric procedures, including facilitating pain-free childbirth and resuscitating acutely unwell patients. Watch the video to learn more about how much you could earn, the qualifications you need & what subjects link to this career.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

A survey of workers by the Trades Union Congress in November found that 9% of workers had been told to reapply for their jobs on worse terms and conditions since March 2020.

Petitions and protests have now begun to stop companies from firing and rehiring staff.

<u>Read more about what this</u> <u>means</u>

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OPPORTUNITIES

Want to get ahead over the Christmas break? Here's a list of things you can do that are on demand and can be accessed any time...

Watch an <u>inspirational talk from Speakers for Schools</u>. There are a huge range of talks from professionals working in a wide range of industries, learn more about their job roles, how they got there and any advice they have for you if you're interested in their industry!



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Watch a <u>Subject Guide webinar from UniTasterDays</u>. These impartial videos have one key aim; to support students who are considering university to make informed future subject decisions. They feature guest speakers from a range of different universities, who are always experts in the subject being explored.

Take part in a <u>free, on demand work experience programme with</u> <u>Springpod.</u> These can be access, started and completed any time so if you're keen to learn more about an industry, why wait! There are over 55 on demand work experience opportunities to choose from.

Get ahead by <u>registering for a UCAS Hub account</u>. Bin the sticky notes. Delete your screenshots. Now you can organise everything – including your application – in one place. <u>Read more about the</u> <u>benefits of having a UCAS Hub account here</u>.

Complete the <u>Buzz Quiz</u> to find out:

- Your personality type
- What jobs might suit you
- Your strengths and what makes you tick
- Popular subjects and courses for your personality type

Use <u>Barclays Life Skills</u> free tools, tips and interactive resources to help you recognise and develop the skills you have. This will help you to build confidence, boost your employability and stand out from the competition.

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EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

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"For DPD, apprenticeships are a valuable investment in the future. With us you have the opportunity for personal development and professional fulfilment. Our apprentices of today are our qualified specialists of tomorrow. From IT to finance to administration, we have roles for everyone." You can read more about their careers <u>here</u>.

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"By choosing to study at Chichester, you are joining an inclusive, supporting and caring university where you are truly valued. At Chichester, we offer a diverse portfolio of courses within a range of subject areas meaning you can find the perfect course to suit your dreams and aspirations."

> You can read more about University of Chichester <u>here</u>.