



# Sandringham Sixth Form Careers Bulletin

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## Career Experience Programmes

### Open Doors – Sixth Form Interbank event – date to be announced soon

Open Doors is an annual event for Year 12 and Year 13 female students from state schools in and around London, studying all subjects, interested in exploring internship opportunities within the investment banking industry.

With an interactive and informative mixture of presentations, panel discussions and networking, this is a great chance to meet and learn from business representatives who are already working at some of the world's top banks. It's a unique opportunity to discover what it's really like to work in the City, ask any questions you might have, and explore how you can apply to future insight days and internships over the next few years before you finish your degree.

To register:-

<https://opendoorsevent.com/>

### Digital Explorers

An online event to inform you about STEM careers and the Digital Tech industry

The programme will run as a series of five interactive one-day events from Monday 29th June – Friday 3rd July and will be uploaded as separate modules to be accessed at a student's individual pace. On completion of the programme, students will leave with an insight into a breadth of tech careers, an understanding of the essential skills required for the sector and they will graduate as Challenger level Industrial Cadets.



<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tcs-digital-explorer-registration-tickets-107218756186>

## Summer Schools

**Pathways to Property** (with the University of Reading and Henley Business School) **Online Summer School for Year 12 – 20-22 July 2020**

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**An online, fully funded Summer School for students in Year 12 keen to learn more about careers in property and network with some of the key employers in the industry.**

*“Every day we are influenced by the built environment around us – shops, offices, industrial buildings, houses and the surrounding countryside all have an impact on the way we live. Did you ever wonder how these properties are developed, whether the buildings going up in our cities are sustainable or how much they are worth? The Pathways to Property Online Summer School allows students the chance to explore the property industry in more depth. With such a huge variety of roles, from a building surveyor or town planner to a sustainability consultant or financial analyst, there is a role to suit any skillset or personality”.*

During the Summer School:

- Learn about the industry and the careers available
- Attend taster lectures
- Get involved in a group project and presentation
- Network with key employers in the industry
- Get valuable careers advice
- Go on virtual site visits
- Meet new people (albeit virtually!)

At the end of the week, if you are keen to learn more about property, you can complete a funded **work experience placement** during a future school holiday, have access to an **e-mentoring** programme, and if you choose to apply to study Real Estate and Planning at the University, you can apply for a **bursary up to £30,000 over three years**.

**How to Apply:** Applications close 21st June. <https://www.henley.ac.uk/alumni/support-henley/pathways-to-property/summer-school>

## Career Talks

### Springpod Learn Lounge Talks

Upcoming talks include:

- The Art of Communication in the world of work- 16<sup>th</sup> June
- The View from the front: My journey to the main stage of music photography – 18<sup>th</sup> June
- How to improve your employability skills during COVID – 23<sup>rd</sup> June
- Skills for employment: what to do now that you're not in school – 6<sup>th</sup> July

<https://learn.springpod.co.uk/schedule/>

### Legal Cheek Law Fair – 8<sup>th</sup> September 2-5pm 8<sup>th</sup> October 2-5pm

The free online event gives students the opportunity to meet the nation's leading law firms from their laptops.

Each participating law firm has a virtual booth with a livestream that allows students to join in video chats with lawyers, graduate recruitment experts and trainees. Students can also submit written questions in the live chats and browse custom firm content.

<https://www.legalcheek.com/event/the-legal-cheek-uk-virtual-law-fair-2020-september/>



### Speakers for Schools

Don't forget to check the weekly VTalks schedule when you have time, for some interesting careers talks and insights from national journalists, arts people, scientists, leading entrepreneurs and academics.

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/inspiration/vtalks/upcoming-vtalks/>



# Online Courses

## Youth Employment UK – become a #Young Professional

Free Young Professional training for 14-24 yr. olds

- weekly newsletter
- Opportunities from youth-friendly employers and organisations
- Grow the 5 top life and work skills at your own pace



<https://www.youthemployment.org.uk/young-professional-training/>

## General Advice

**The National Careers Service** are available to continue to support you with your careers questions at this time and have set up a live Q&A session every Wednesday evening from 6pm – 9pm.

If you have any questions about careers, employment, education or training, you can ask them via the National Careers Service's social media sites.

### National Careers Service contacts

Twitter: @NationalCareers

Facebook: National Careers Service

Follow the hashtag #AskNationalCareers on twitter or facebook for Wednesday evening Q&A sessions. You can also get in touch with them from 8am – 10pm throughout the week on 0800 100 900.

### Careers Advice: Arrange a call with Nicky Honeywell, Personal Adviser from YC Hertfordshire

Mrs Honeywell is continuing to provide one-to-one careers information, advice and guidance over the phone or via a face call through Microsoft Teams. Contact Mrs Honeywell directly to arrange a mutually convenient time:

Tel: 07580 743746

E: [nicky.honeywell@herfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:nicky.honeywell@herfordshire.gov.uk) W: [www.ychertfordshire.org](http://www.ychertfordshire.org)

## Apprenticeships & Employment



### Year 13 - Maximise your chance of success in the job market

*Adapted from Careers & Enterprise blog - <https://www.careersandenterprise.co.uk/news/time-shine-how-do-young-job-seekers-maximise-their-chance-success>*

You may be feeling unsettled about starting a career amid the current circumstances but we are sure that in time, the recovery will inspire a resurgent job market.

Now is a great time to plan; undertake research, start making connections, get your CV up to date and know how to tackle your job search when vacancies start to be advertised. The more proactive you are, the more doors you will open and the more you will stand out.

## Top tips:

- 1. Connect:** don't be afraid to reach out and connect with potential contacts within your target industries to ask for help.
  - If you know of individuals who have taken the same career path that you want to follow, be proactive and contact them.
  - Get as much information from every connection that you can make. They might well know somebody that they can refer you to, so always ask.
  - Think of it as business networking so make the best impression you can and they'll remember you for when opportunities come up in the future.
- 2. Stand out amongst your peers.** Get your CV and LinkedIn profile into shape.
  - Check your spelling and grammar. Ask family or industry contacts to look it over and provide feedback.
  - Always go the extra mile when it comes to research, preparing for interviews and phone calls.
  - Always dress to impress even if it feels like a casual meeting or conversation and prepare like it is an interview.
  - Show your desire and passion, along with asking intelligent, well thought out and prepared questions that demonstrate you have invested time into the process.
- 3. Knowledge is power!** Draw up a list of target companies within the sector or industries that interest you most.
  - Check out their careers pages, sign up for job alerts and follow their company pages on LinkedIn to get real-time updates on new vacancies. You might get an insight into how others in your position found a job and developed their career.
  - Any pointers you can get by spending time collecting information and undertaking research will be time well spent. You could also reach out with the hiring managers or recruitment teams/HR on LinkedIn.
- 4. Spend time developing the skillset and mindset that is important to your next employer.** It will strengthen your CV and demonstrate your work ethic.
  - If you're not already working, get some form of work experience behind you, to develop and practice skills employers' value such as communication, team working and problem solving.
  - It will enable you to give examples of how you can demonstrate skills.
  - Alongside internships and work experience, consider volunteering. It's a great way to develop employability skills.
- 5. Be patient, be persistent.** It might take weeks, possibly months, but please do persevere.
  - The more proactive you are, the better your chances.
  - Have faith; remember – employers will always need bright, young talent. There's no reason why that cannot be you.