



Future Choices

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This term has been all about building aspirations, making connections and discovering future opportunities.

17 SEPTEMBER

MMU PERSONAL STATEMENT TALK

Manchester Metropolitan University visited our sixth form to deliver a talk to Year 13 students about creating a strong, effective personal statement. The session shared practical advice on presenting students' strengths, experiences and motivations clearly. Whether students were just beginning or already had a draft, the guidance could help them reflect, refine and make their applications more compelling.



SOCIAL MOBILITY FOUNDATION

The Social Mobility Foundation delivered an assembly for Year 12 students, highlighting pathways, support and opportunities to help students progress towards their future goals.



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ALL YEAR

VIRTUAL CAREERS TALKS

Careers has been building a bank of virtual talks from professionals including a town planner, charity manager, landscape architect and many more. These will be drip-fed to different year groups throughout the school year.



6 OCTOBER

MANCHESTER ACCESS PROGRAMME

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The University of Manchester

Our Year 12 students took part in an assembly delivered by The University of Manchester, introducing the Manchester Access Programme (MAP). Opportunities can include online and on-campus events, workshops, university-life experiences and an academic assignment, alongside support with university applications. Eligibility criteria apply. Find out more at the official MAP website.



THIS TERM

CAREERS AMBASSADORS

Mr Hodge has recruited new Careers Ambassadors to join our existing team. They support careers events, help gather student voice and share ideas that can help us improve our careers programme.



EVERY MONTH

CAREER OF THE MONTH

Each month we are sharing a Career of the Month with every year group, encouraging students to explore different pathways and sign in to Unifrog — our helpful careers platform for all students.



Careers Learning Across the School

CAREERS ASSEMBLY: TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

All students in Years 7–11 received a careers assembly from Mrs Catterall focused on developing transferable skills. She shared her own career journey, which began in broadcasting as a journalist, and gave real-life examples of how the skills she developed in that role continue to support her work as a teacher today. The assembly helped students see how skills such as communication, teamwork, research and adapting to new situations can be useful across different jobs and throughout a career.



Upcoming Unifrog Webinars



Careers/subject webinar: What makes places feel like home? — Tuesday 3 November, 4:30–5:15pm

A University of Essex/Unifrog webinar exploring how our surroundings influence the way people think, feel and behave. This could be interesting for students exploring subjects and university study.



Parents and caregivers: Navigating the UCAS journey — Wednesday 11 November, 6:30–7:15pm

The University of Leicester will explain the UCAS process, including personal statements, deadlines, offers, firm choices and results day, as well as how parents can support their child.



QUESTIONS OR IDEAS ABOUT CAREERS?

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