

Tomorrow Today

Staying Ahead



Thursday 1 February
6pm – 8.30pm EDM

Bablake Careers Convention

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This issue is devoted to our 2018 Careers Convention with a provisional list of the delegates attending. Key slides from this week's Lower Sixth assembly presentation 'Options at 18' are also included on page 4. Our next issue will look at #18Before18 ideas for our 3rd Year, and reflect on the recent 5th Year CV Challenge.

**CAREERS
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2018 CAREERS CONVENTION

Our biennial Careers Convention takes place this week: Thursday 1 February between 6pm and 8.30/ 9pm. It is a chance for pupils from our 2nd year upwards, together with their parents, to talk to a broad range of delegates - many of whom will be former pupils – about an exciting array of options after GCSE and/or A levels.

Do not limit yourself! Be curious and make sure you talk to everyone attending, esp as it is always very revealing to see the breadth of backgrounds our delegates have. The current generation of students at Bablake will be unlikely to have 1 job for life and the delegates will show how their interests and experiences have combined to bring them to their current positions.

We are delighted to be able to confirm the attendance of a broad range of universities and have a strong field of delegates able to offer advice on apprenticeships (inc degree apprenticeships). We also have the organiser of International Education week, Antony Adams, attending. Antony is also a fully qualified careers adviser, who can offer much wisdom in a number of areas.

The list of delegates always expands right up to the final day of the Convention! A logistical nightmare inevitably, but a pleasurable one and 'there is always more room in the inn'. We are currently light in the medical fields, so please email mgw@bablake.coventry.sch.uk if you feel able to offer a solution there! (All delegates will be able to catch a light buffet upon arrival.) We do of course have universities offering advice about disciplines not represented on the night by individual delegates.

Please see www.2morrow-2day.com/careers-convention.html from 7pm on 31st January for the most up-to-date cast list and a final programme is printed on the day for collection upon arrival at the event, which will state where to find our delegates on the night.

We will also endeavour to email a PDF to parents and students at lunchtime on Thursday 1st February.

DELEGATES

APPRENTICESHIPS/ TRAINING PROVIDERS

Capgemini – Daniel Cotton* – Degree Apprentice - Software Engineer

IBM – James Tumber* – Apprentice - Test Specialist

Jaguar Land Rover - Andrew Pyatt* – Degree Apprentice

Jaguar Land Rover - Stefan Harris* – Degree Apprentice

JBC Skills Training/ IT Training Provider – Nathan Diehl (Employer Engagement Manager)

John Deere - Robert Jacques* - Apprentice

Midland Group Training Services – Sam Turnbull (Recruitment Officer) & Ben Turnbull* - Apprentice

SCCU Ltd – Frances Lee (Business Development Adviser)

Work Pays – Surfinia Foote (ASK - Apprenticeship Support and Knowledge – Ambassador)

INTERNATIONAL STUDY

Antony Adams – *International Education Week* / Careers Adviser

UES London (Study in the USA)

UNIVERSITIES

Aberystwyth
Birmingham
Birmingham City
Coventry
Exeter
Falmouth
Huddersfield
Lancaster
Leicester Law School
Sheffield

PROFESSIONS

Accountancy and Management Consultancy - Manpreet Rai*
Architecture – Paul Wright* (Landscape, Design)
Construction and Built Environment - Phil Eves (BAM)
Education: Primary – Ellen Parker*
Engineering (Automotive) – Toby Lees* (Horiba Mira)
Engineering (Systems) – John Black* (Rolls Royce)
Environment – Sophie Tumber* (Environmental Agency)
Freelance Journalist (ign.com) / Actor – Matthew Davidson*
Languages – Sarah Naden* (ALM Translations)
Law – Michael Goldfinch* et al. (Wright Hassall)
Medicine (GP Registrar) – Naaema Choudhury*
Police – Matt Lang* (part-time DJ); Preet Chahal (trainee)
Real Estate/ Chartered Surveyor – Guy Hands* (Cartwright Hands)
Social Media Marketing (+ Performing Arts degree, Law postgrad, Online Journalism) – Deanna Gush (Inbound Influence)

PHD STUDENTS

Leeds University – Katie Timms* (Medical Science graduate) – Tissue Engineering Regenerative Medicine
Leeds University – Tom Padgett (Aerospace Engineering graduate) – Fluid Dynamics (links with Environmental Engineering, Maths and Computer Science)

* Denotes the delegate is a Bablake former pupil

Bablake will be hosting the IE WEEK show on Wednesday 14 March

8.45am (5ths) 9.15am (Lower Sixth)



The short presentation to our Lower Sixth considered the options open at 18 after completion of the 2 year A level course. We recognise for some professions the only route will be a degree; some students will also be looking at a degree option for that experience itself and graduate employers are still very keen on people with that maturity and academic track record. Our message though was to take time to look at all options and make certain any degree course you choose is a perfect fit for you! We asked students to consider whether their eventual job actually existed yet, so future proofing their skill set was important. Employers look at more than academic grades too!



POST A LEVEL

UNI DEGREE - UK (Single, joint or combined hon. with/ without Master's degree)
UNIVERSITY- ABROAD
UNI DEGREE WITH PLACEMENT IN UK/ ABROAD
UNI DEGREE - DEFERRED 1 YEAR

APPRENTICESHIP – Higher (Level 4+) or Level 3/2/1
DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP
'SCHOOL LEAVER PROGRAMME'

JOB – Part-Time/ Full-Time
SELF EMPLOYMENT

GAP YEAR(s) – UK and/ or ABROAD
+ UNI/ APPRENTICESHIP or WORK after

Students should note that if studying Art, they would often do a Foundation Course post A Level and then apply; those looking at Performing Arts (music, drama or dance) might also consider professional schools.



#18before18

- PLACEMENTS
- CONVERSATIONS/ NETWORKING
- PART-TIME WORK
- ENTERPRISE/ CHARITY
- SUPERCURRICULAR - CREST, EPQ, EES, COMPETITIONS, MOOCs...
- TASTER COURSES, OPEN DAYS
- CONVENTIONS
- NEW CHALLENGES - FIRST AID/ LIFE-SAVING...
- TEAM CHALLENGE - DoE, SPORT, DRAMA, MUSIC
- LEADERSHIP
- RESEARCH

We offered some suggestions on the #18Before18 fit for the Lower Students searching for a Post 18 outcome. Once there is a 'degree discipline', profession or apprenticeship in mind, this programme is easy to individualise.

'BEYOND BABLAKE' WEEK (L6th) – Mon 2 July to Fri 6 July
All Lower Sixth students should be planning their schedule for this week. CREST/ EPQ research, work placements and university open day/ taster day visits are all suitable plans for the week. Tutors and Careers will monitor/ assist here!

DIARY DATE

THURSDAY CAREERS FORUM - SESSION 12: Alexandra Stevenson - Legal Ambassador for Northumbria University – Thursday 8 February (1pm)

We welcome Alexandra Stevenson from Northumbria University to lead a session about its award-winning Law School, which houses a real courtroom, onsite law library, legal skills hub & law clinic.