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Careers Update

This is a summary of the careers information and opportunities that have been shared as notices on Show My Homework so far this week by the UTCN Careers Team. We will continue to send these out to you on a weekly basis.

As well as being the main source of schoolwork, Show My Homework is being utilised by UTCN staff to post daily notices sharing essential careers, personal development and wellbeing resources. Please remind your child to login and to check for new notices regularly if they are not already doing so.

If you have any queries or would like to contact a member of the Careers Team for information and guidance, CV/application help, or with an employer query, please email **Mrs Settle**, who will forward your query to the relevant staff member.

BT Adastral Park Tour (whole school)

We had planned to take a number of students to a seminar at BT Adastral Park, exploring where tech and coding skills could take you in the region. Whilst we can't currently visit in person please use the virtual tour below to discover more about careers with BT and other organisations in Suffolk.

<https://www.icanbea.org.uk/virtual-tours/>

Design challenge from Warren Services (whole school)

Will Bridgman from Warren Services has set a fantastic design and manufacturing challenge for Norfolk students on **LinkedIn** to do from home. Warren Services will pick the best designs and make them!

Fun, interesting, and an impressive use of your time during this period at home, to catch the eye of future employers...

"All the kids are off school and looking for things to do. So this is a great time to get them excited about design and manufacturing. **Autodesk** has a great design and manufacturing product call Fusion 360 Stephen Hooper Asif Moghal Steve Cox. This is free to use for all hobbyists and students so let's encourage them to download it. There are some great youtube video instructions by Lars Christensen which they can learn from. What Warren Services Limited will then do is help these designs come to life. We will start by getting our budding engineers of the future to design something that can be laser-cut out of 2mm material. No bigger than 200mm by 200mm. We will then select some of the best and cut them on the laser and send them out. We will post some videos of us doing this on our youtube channel, so students can see how things are made. <https://lnkd.in/dk2M6YP> As we go on we will offer to make different parts the student's design with a different process. Send designs to info@warrenservices.co.uk. Please share this and help turn this lost school time into a recruitment drive for the future of manufacturing."

(Will is happy for UTCN students to submit a design using Solid Works rather than Fusion, a student version can be downloaded for free).

You can find out more about Warren Services on their **YouTube channel**.

Ogden Trust Energy Internships (Y12 students)

These paid internships remain open for application until 6th April - you can apply [here](#).

Online Careers Workshops - STEM/Business (6th Form students)

Limited places and these free **online workshops** (1 hour long) are likely to be oversubscribed, so register now if you're interested!

UEA Webinars (6th Form students)

These are running daily until Wednesday 8th April currently, and include things like 'Next Steps' and 'Finance/Accommodation'. There's also one for parents & carers. Useful for any Y13s who have applied to UEA, and also for any Y12 students who are considering applying.

<http://www.uea.ac.uk/study/webinars>

Arqiva apprenticeship vacancies - deadline 29th March! (6th Form students) Degree and higher level apprenticeship vacancies from Arqiva, a 'leading UK communications infrastructure company enabling a vibrant digital economy'. The application deadline is 29th March. Please do email Mrs

Settle if you'd like your application checked over before sending.

MOOCs - Massive Open Online Courses (6th Form students)

It is likely students may be asked at future apprenticeship, employment or higher education interviews how they spent their time during this period. For example, what new skills or hobbies did they teach themselves? This is an opportunity for students to make themselves stand out as self-disciplined, dedicated and motivated.

Consider completing a MOOC as a way of demonstrating this and developing your independent learning. MOOCs can help you develop key skills and, if you're considering or have applied to university, help bridge the academic gap between A Levels and university.

<https://www.mooc-list.com/countries/united-kingdom>

<https://www.futurelearn.com>

<https://www.edx.org>

Universities will often have their own MOOCs webpage, so it's worth checking on their websites too, e.g. <https://www.uea.ac.uk/study/short-courses/online-learning>

Please be aware - websites often charge if you wish to purchase your course certificate on completion. MOOC sites also sometimes offer charged courses as well as those that can be completed for free - often on an 'audit' basis (reading & viewing the course material, sometimes also completing quizzes/assignments)

Kind regards

UTCN Careers Team

Social Media

Please follow us on Twitter @utcnorfolk for quick information about the whole school and @UTCNKS4 for Key Stage 4 information.

Also, follow us on Instagram @utc_norfolk for UTCN updates.

Dates for your Diary

Please look on the UTCN webpage for the Parents Calendar which is updated regularly. <https://utcn.org.uk/calendar>

April 6 to 17 - Easter Holidays

May 8 - Bank Holiday

May 25 to 29 - Half Term

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