

UTCN Virtual Careers Week 2020 - guidance for parents and carers

Monday 6th to Friday 10th July

As you will be aware next week would usually be the first week of work experience at UTCN. As this is unable to happen this year in its normal form we have put together a packed programme of careers-related events and activities for students to complete.

Online careers talks - there is a programme of online careers talks and presentations for both Year 10 and Year 12 students to attend. This will all be hosted via Microsoft Teams and students can access these through their school Office 365 account. The full programme of events is attached to this email. Some sessions are marked as mandatory and others are optional, but students should aim to attend at least one a day. Students need to log in to Teams and then click the link on the attached calendar of events to attend the meetings.

We will also be hosting a special event "A guide to Apprenticeships for all parents and carers" on Wednesday 8th July 18.30-19.30 to join this event follow this link, you can ask live questions and chat to the UTCN careers team: <https://universitytechnicalcollegenorfolk.my.webex.com/universitytechnicalcollegenorfolk.my/j.php?MTID=ma4166a923fe8124cd3f9904ebe9ba804>

Year 10 Careers activities workbook - Year 10 students will have a Careers Week activity pack with a daily task to complete. They should email these to their tutors at the end of the week. The pack will be posted on Show my Homework and saved in the Year 10 Careers Week area on Microsoft Teams. Parents and carers should expect Year 10 students to be engaged in Careers Week activities for approximately 3 hours a day.

Year 12 tasks - It is expected that Year 12 students should use the majority of this week to draft an initial personal statement for use either for University application or as an application statement for an Apprenticeship. There is a workbook of guided activities to support them to achieve this which will be posted on Show my Homework and in the Year 12 Careers Week area on Microsoft Teams. Parents and carers may find Year 12 students split their time on this over the week in a way that suits them and may choose to spend longer periods of time writing on one day than others. It is tempting for students to feel that they can put this off for another time but a well drafted personal statement now will free them up to focus on their studies in Year 13.

Year 10 Technical blog writing challenge sponsored by SocialB - there will be a blog-writing challenge for all year 10 students to take part in - more details to follow at the launch assembly on Monday 6th July at 10.15! The deadline for this task will be the Friday 17th July.

One-to-one information advice and guidance appointments - if your son/daughter would like a one-to-one appointment with Mrs Walton during the week they should contact beth.settle@utcn.org.uk

We look forward to the week and hope the students gain a great deal from the event.
Any questions please contact sarah.jarvis@utcn.org.uk

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.
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