



Royal Wootton Bassett  
Academy Sixth Form  
Weekly Newsletter #87  
14 October 2022



RWBA Harvest festival took place this morning in the assembly hall. I truly enjoyed this uplifting event to reflect the time of year, end of term and the generous nature of our school community.

Many thanks to those Sixth Form students who supported with the Harvest boards, sang in the choir and played music.









Thank you for your donations for harvest and for the Young Minds Charity.

Your generosity is much appreciated.



Thank you to all the reading mentors who have volunteered to support the young students with their reading. Mrs Mills very much enjoyed the training session she ran with you this week. We all look forward to the programme starting next term.

## *Sixth Form Chess Competition (Round 2)*



*ALWAYS WANTED TO LEARN .... NOW IS YOUR CHANCE!*

**DATE:** *Wednesday 16 November 2022*

**TIME:** *3.00 - 4.30 pm*

**WHERE:** *Sixth Form Common Room*

**OPEN TO:** *All Abilities /Beginners to Seasoned Players welcome*

**GAMES:** *You will play at least 2 games against the clock with points awarded*

**SIGN UP:** *On the Board in the Sixth Form Reception Area*

**CONTACT:** *Mrs Richmond in the Maths Department if you want to know more*



Donate to Action  
Aid take a  
Pumpkin home.

Return it on Halloween Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

**RWBA Sixth Form Pumpkin Carving  
contest will be judged at breaktime on the  
first Monday back – Halloween!!**

All entries to be handed in clearly named during ilearn.

**OR send your photos to [sixthform@rwba.org.uk](mailto:sixthform@rwba.org.uk)**



Competition open to all  
current Sixth Form students  
and staff.



We are going to officially open the Centrepoint on the Monday 7th November,

Training for all the centrepoint Sixth Form volunteers will be 3-4pm in A12 on Thursday 3rd November, supported by the Diana Award.



## Places still available on Pathways 2023

Do you have students interested in Banking & Finance, Law, or Consulting (business and project management)? We still have places available on our fully virtual programmes ([Pathways to Banking & Finance](#), [Pathways to Law](#), and [Pathways to Consulting](#)).

### Why these programmes?

Unlike our in-person programmes which are restricted by proximity to partner universities, [our virtual programmes can be applied to from anywhere in the UK](#). So if you have students interested in our programmes but don't have any on offer nearby, these still have available spaces.

## What are the benefits?

Learn about why consulting is a fast growing and competitive field with financial and workplace flexibility.		Attend skill sessions led by leading employers on communications, problem solving, project management, excel, and analysis.	Hear from leading professionals about their journeys into the field, including fintech, investment banking, and asset management.		Attend skill sessions led by leading employers on networking, presentation, CV's and cover letters, and personal branding.
					
Apply for work experience or attend an industry insight week with any of our partner organisations.		Network with professionals across the UK working at Bain, BCG, McKinsey, and Oliver Wyman.	Apply for work experience or attend an industry insight week to gain real world experience.		Network with professionals across the UK working at PwC, HSBC, Goldman Sachs, KPMG, and NatWest.

Hear from leading professionals about their journeys into the field, including barristers, government lawyers, and judges.		Attend skill sessions led by leading employers on murder trials, advocacy workshops, and meeting barristers from the Inner Temple.
		
Apply for work experience or attend an industry insight week with organisations such as Bates Wells or PayPal.		Network with professionals across the UK working at 1 Crown Office Row, DLA Piper, and the Government Legal Department.

*"The Pathways programme gave me so much. The masterclasses meant I was regularly meeting with passionate academics and the networking events and work placements meant I had the opportunity to meet a wide range of industry professionals. I still use many of the lessons taught on the programme on a day-to-day basis."*

- Muzammil Malamji, Pathways to Law alum, now solicitor in training at Clifford Chance

APPLY NOW: <https://apply.suttontrust.com/>



# #HTFMEUS IS AN IMMERSIVE, ENRICHING, CREATIVE & COLLABORATIVE, NATIONAL HOLOCAUST EDUCATION PROJECT – & RWBA NEEDS YOU!

RWBA has developed a project that is now embedded in almost 150 secondary schools across the country – based upon 'My Family, the Holocaust and Me' a BBC documentary feat. Robert Rinder MBE and his mother Angela.

We are looking for 12-25 Sixth Form students to get involved and lead by example.

- To join an after school group, facilitated by Mr Radford, and supported by Miss Wetherall (Nov 2022-Feb 2023)
- To bring your many talents, passions and skills: creativity, curiosity, leadership, innovation, civics, values, subject skills and interests, care, compassion, respect, empathy and more – to a project you can make your own.
- We need students who can work independently and as a team, can innovate, be creative, good researchers, effective communicators, open to new opportunities and ideas, think outside the box.
- To work with the BBC, UCL, Robert and Angela, national and international experts and collaborate with other schools within a project that is gaining national and international recognition.

*If interested, please speak to Mr Radford to learn more, or email Miss Wetherall via [rwetherall@rwba.org.uk](mailto:rwetherall@rwba.org.uk) by 4 November.*



@RWBAHolocaust  
#HtFMeUs



The links to the Year 12 and Year 13 Parent information evenings have been sent out via email this afternoon.

Please check your inbox and logon to hear how you can support your students.

Any further questions please email [sixthform@rwba.org.uk](mailto:sixthform@rwba.org.uk).

A promotional poster for an open evening. At the top left is the RWBA Sixth Form logo. The main text reads 'ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT ACADEMY SIXTH FORM'. To the right, it says 'OPEN EVENING 12.10.22 5PM-7.30PM' with a downward arrow icon. Below this, it states 'Deadline for initial applications: 02.12.22' and 'Any queries please email Mrs Stubbs: [htubbs@rwba.org.uk](mailto:htubbs@rwba.org.uk)'. The bottom half of the poster features a photograph of a group of students and staff sitting around a table. At the bottom right is the 'ASCEND LEARNING TRUST' logo. At the bottom left, there is a small text box with the phone number '01753 612910' and the website 'www.rwba.org.uk'. A quote at the bottom reads: 'Royal Wootton Bassett Academy's Sixth Form provides the very best in terms of quality provision in the area. Supporting students to be the best they can be.'

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Sixth Form open evening on Wednesday. The open evening was very well attended by current students and visiting families from all over the county.

A special thank you to the students that attended. To hear you speak so passionately about your experiences at RWBA made us incredibly proud.



We are delighted to announce that Allied Healthcare Mentor's next NHS virtual work experience session is on **Sunday 6th November**.

With the UCAS deadline for NHS Health Careers in January, students considering a career in healthcare need to gain as much work experience as possible. We strongly encourage all students (including those who attended October's session) to register. No two work experience days are the same.

Students can register for November's session using this link:

<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/>

This programme is suitable for students in years 10 - 13 who are interested in the following careers:

- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Dietetics
- Radiography
- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Pharmacy

Once they've registered, students will be emailed links to their virtual work



experience portals.

Students are awarded a Work Experience Certificate for every session they complete. Those who complete the full 5-month programme will be awarded a Highly Commended Reference from the Presidents of Allied Healthcare Mentor. **These are fantastic additions to their CVs and UCAS applications!**

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. They will gain a unique insight into how patients interact with various healthcare professionals and what it's like to work in an NHS multidisciplinary team.

Attendees will have the opportunity to interact with healthcare professionals throughout each day. This will empower students to make informed career decisions and demonstrate their commitment to healthcare in their UCAS applications.

Students can register individually at any time throughout the 5-month programme using the link below. We recommend booking early to gain as much out of this programme as possible. Places are £10 a session to cover administrative and technological costs.

Registration Link: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/>



# MOVIE NIGHT

*now showing...*

TICKET  
PRICE £1

Coraline

EMAIL:  
e16allch@rwba.org.uk  
FOR  
TICKETS!

WHERE?:	
RWBA SIXTH FORM	SIXTH FORM LECTURE THEATRE
WHEN?: THURSDAY 3 <sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER	
TIME?: 3:30 - 5:30	
FOOD & DRINK WILL BE AVAILABLE TO BUY!	



The recording of yesterday's special programme on degree apprenticeships is now available:

The 75-minute programme includes:

- an interview with Clare Marchant, Chief Executive of UCAS, talking about how Sixth Form students can use UCAS to find out about degree apprenticeships
- four presentations explaining 'What is a degree apprenticeship?', 'Which degree apprenticeships are available?', 'University or a degree apprenticeship?' and 'Where to find out more information on degree apprenticeships'
- an employer showcase of 50 major UK employers who will be offering degree apprenticeship programmes in 2023
- tips, advice and guidance from Lloyds Banking Group and BDO on how to apply for degree apprenticeship and the selection processes that employers' use
- interviews with current degree apprentices at Dyson, PwC, Royal Navy and Rolls-Royce
- information on of how solicitor apprenticeships provide an alternative route into the legal profession, from law firm Eversheds Sutherland

The recording of the programme will remain on this link until the end of November, so that as many Year 12 & 13 students and their parents as possible have access to the information.

**Well worth a watch if you are undecided or think University is not for you.**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w\\_S9wLhaLGM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w_S9wLhaLGM)



# The Gresham Competition



**Last chance to enter the Gresham competition.**

**Deadline is 15<sup>th</sup> November.**

## What is The Gresham Competition?

Gresham College is launching a Competition for Year 12 students (UK only, S5 in Scotland) in September 2022, to promote the art of communicating complex information in a clear, concise and compelling way. This will

- support the development of oracy skills;
- help students with UCAS applications and job interviews;
- promote a deeper understanding of the environment;
- introduce students to the inspiring research of world-class academics.

This year the competition is focussed on the environment / sustainability in a five-minute, recorded presentation. Shortlisted candidates will then be invited to present again in person in London, and there will be three awards (including prizes for student and the school).




### RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS


We have put together a whole host of resources designed to help you give a fantastic presentation.

[ACCESS OUR TRAINING RESOURCES](#)

## Your top 5 career questions answered

HOW TO CHOOSE A CAREER? 

WHAT CAN I DO AFTER LEAVING SCHOOL? 

WHAT ARE THE HIGHEST PAYING JOBS? 

SHOULD I GO TO UNIVERSITY? 

WHAT ARE GREAT JOBS? 

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/>

## Who benefits? You do!

We know it can be hard to get ahead or even imagine yourself in certain careers. By giving you the chance to explore what's out there and decide for yourself what suits you best, we can help you take control of your own future.

- Learn about a wider range of career options
- Get in front of big-name businesses wherever you live
- Boost your skills and confidence
- Get evidence for your CV or personal statement
- Find careers that really suit you
- Get free support to help you reach your potential



### LATEST GREEN SKILLS SURVEY REVEALS THAT MORE THAN HALF OF YOUNG PEOPLE LACK GUIDANCE ON GREEN JOB OPTIONS AT SCHOOL

Latest Green Skills survey reveals that more than half of young people lack guidance on green job options at school. A new survey carried out by our charity of 1,200 young people aged 15-18 who attend state secondary schools and colleges throughout the UK has revealed that more than half (57%) have not been given [...]

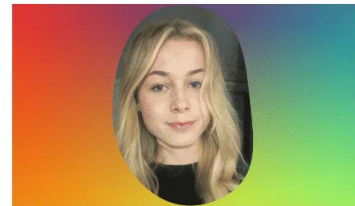
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### FUMEZ THE ENGINEER VISITS HEWENS COLLEGE TO INSPIRE AND EMPOWER THE NEXT GENERATION.

Fumez the Engineer visits Hewens College to inspire and empower the next generation. Well-known and respected audio producer and engineer Fumez the Engineer delivered a motivating talk to students from Years 10 and 11 at Hewens College, West London, on Wednesday 16th of March. It was a hugely memorable experience for the students who attended, [...]

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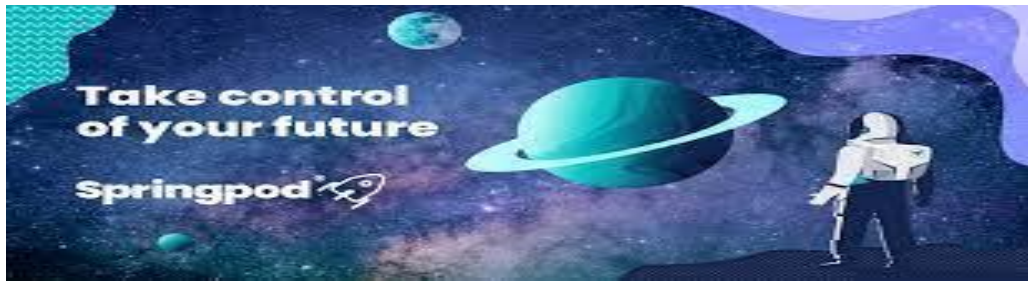


### HOW VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE HELPED PAVE THE WAY FOR A SCOTTISH STUDENT TO SECURE AN APPRENTICESHIP

How virtual work experience helped pave the way for a Scottish student to secure an apprenticeship. Many young people find themselves at a disadvantage when it comes to looking for a job because there are limited career options available in their local area. And while the pandemic generally reduced the opportunities for many young people [...]

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<https://www.springpod.com/>

## Virtual Work Experience Programmes October 2022

**Framing Futures: See what's possible - Specsavers**

**Start date:** 24th Oct  
**Deadline:** 19th Oct

[More info](#)



**Field to Fork – Careers in Agriculture, Agri-Tech, Food Production & Distribution**

**Start date:** 24th Oct  
**Deadline:** 19th Oct

[More info](#)



**Mid and South Essex Health and Care Partnership Virtual Work Experience Programme**

**Start date:** 24th Oct  
**Deadline:** 19th Oct

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**Healthcare Careers with Stockport NHS Foundation Trust**

**Start date:** 24th Oct  
**Deadline:** 19th Oct

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**North Cumbria – AHP**

**Start date:** 24th Oct  
**Deadline:** 19th Oct

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**Architecture, Ocean Science, Music, and More – STEM Careers in Acoustics**

**Start date:** 24th Oct  
**Deadline:** 19th Oct

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**Fujitsu WorkX**

**Start date:** 24th Oct  
**Deadline:** 19th Oct

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**Reachout for Healthcare Science**

**Start date:** 24th Oct  
**Deadline:** 19th Oct

[More info](#)



**Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust and Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust**

**Start date:** 24th Oct  
**Deadline:** 19th Oct

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**Future Talent, Future Heroes**

**Start date:** 3rd Oct  
**Deadline:** 31st Dec

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**Health and Care Careers in Staffordshire & Stoke-on-Trent Social Care Virtual Work Experience**

**Start date:** 26th Sep  
**Deadline:** 21st Sep

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**Coventry Building Society**

**Start date:** 10th Oct, 3rd Jan, 17th Apr  
**Deadline:** 16th Dec, 31st Mar, 25th Jul

[More info](#)



**Kör: Careers at Volvo Trucks**

**Start date:** 13th Feb  
**Deadline:** 9th Feb

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**Barclays Lifeskills**

**Start date:** 24th Oct  
**Deadline:** 19th Oct

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**The Next Pret Product**

**Start date:** 24th Oct  
**Deadline:** 19th Oct

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<p><b>Nursing &amp; Midwifery</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 	<p><b>The World of The British Library</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 	<p><b>Building for Your Future</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 
<p><b>Salesforce Virtual Internship Experience Programme</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 	<p><b>Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust VWEX Programme</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 	<p><b>Hertfordshire and West Essex Health and Care Academy Insight in NHS Careers</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 
<p><b>Insight into Investec's Bank and Wealth Business</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 	<p><b>LNER Tomorrows Talent</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 	<p><b>Countryside - Destiny</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 
<p><b>Newcastle General VWEX programme</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 	<p><b>Newcastle Cardiology Insight Programme</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 	<p><b>STEPS Engineering Your Future</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 
<p><b>Direct Line Group</b></p> <p>Start date: 24th Oct Deadline: 19th Oct</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 	<p><b>Medicine HEE South East</b></p> <p>Start date: 11th Aug Deadline: 1st June 2023</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 	<p><b>Nursing &amp; Midwifery HEE South East</b></p> <p>Start date: 11th Aug Deadline: 1st June 2023</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p> 



## Halloween Pumpkin Cake



There is no tricks about this cake - only  
Treats!

If you like Carrot Cake - you will love this!

Healthy Pumpkin, Autumnal and Tasty

Quick and straightforward to make.

### Ingredients:

#### For the cake:

300g self-raising flour  
300g light muscovado  
sugar  
3 teaspoons mixed spice  
2 tsp bicarbonate of soda  
175g sultanas  
½ teaspoon salt  
4 eggs, beaten

200g butter, melted  
zest 1 orange  
1 tablespoon orange juice  
500g (peeled weight) pumpkin or  
butternut squash flesh, grated

#### For drenching and frosting:

200g pack soft cheese  
85g butter, softened  
100g icing sugar, sifted  
zest 1 orange and juice of half



**STEP 1:** Heat oven to 180C/fan 160C/gas 4. Butter and line a 30 x 20cm baking or small roasting tin with baking parchment. Put the flour, sugar, spice, bicarbonate of soda, sultanas and salt into a large bowl and stir to combine.

**STEP 2:** Beat the eggs into the melted butter, stir in the orange zest and juice, then mix with the dry ingredients till combined. Stir in the pumpkin. Pour the batter into the tin and bake for 30 minutes, or until golden and springy to the touch.

**STEP 3:** To make the frosting, beat together the cheese, butter, icing sugar, orange zest and 1 teaspoon of the juice till smooth and creamy, then set aside in the fridge. When the cake is done, cool for 5 mins then turn it onto a cooling rack. Prick it all over with a skewer and drizzle with the rest of the orange juice while still warm. Leave to cool completely.

**STEP 4:** If you like, trim the edges of the cake. Give the frosting a quick beat to loosen, then, using a palette knife, spread over the top of the cake in peaks and swirls. If you're making the cake ahead, keep it in the fridge then take out as many pieces as you want 30 mins or so before serving. It will keep, covered, for up to 3 days in the fridge. **TIP:** Toast some pumpkin seeds and sprinkle on the top for decoration and that added crunch – ENJOY.

