

Year 9 Careers seminars

Over the last term local and national employers have been visiting the school to run 1 hour careers seminars with our Year 9 students. They have been sharing the different pathways into a career in their field, including apprenticeships, their own personal career development stories and advising students on what subjects they will need at GCSE and beyond to be able to achieve their goals. The students have been really enthusiastic in these sessions, asked excellent questions and we hope they have inspired them and helped them make informed option choices.

They have had access to sessions on:

- Law
- Careers within the NHS
- Beauty
- Hospitality
- Metropolitan Police
- TV Production
- Property Management & Sales
- Engineering
- Banking & Finance
- Construction
- Childcare
- ICT & Computer Systems
- Hairdressing
- London Ambulance Service

We'd like to say a massive thank you to the following companies for giving up their time to come in and speak so passionately about their jobs.

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Inspiring science, enhancing life



NHS
London Ambulance Service
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Skills London

The whole of Y12 and 13 visited the Skills London Expo at the Excel Centre just before Christmas. Skills London is the UK's largest jobs and careers event aimed at 14-24 year olds.

Our students were particularly interested in exploring the Construction, Digital & Creative and Public Services Zones. Y13 used it as a chance to firm up the universities they were interested in applying to or to network with apprenticeship providers, whilst for Y12 it was a great opportunity to start to think about their next steps.



Y10 learning how to use a defibrillator alongside CPR to treat a heart attack patient.

We're proud to have partnered with Kings College London to run their MedSoc programme this year. MedSoc is aimed at encouraging students from non-selective schools to consider a career within Medicine and Dentistry.

20 of our Year 10 students participated in a 3 hour workshop run by Kings Medical Ambassadors - these are all medicine students who are at different stages of their degree.

Year 10 had a go at carrying out differential diagnosis of patients from consultation videos, discussed the skills and qualities needed to be a doctor and got hands on learning about CPR and the use of defibrillators to treat some types of cardiac arrest - they discovered that it was a lot harder than it looks on TV!

The Y12 MedSoc Group have had their inaugural meeting supported with tutors from KCL. All of the student's are studying A-level Chemistry and Biology and are considering careers within medicine. Over the rest of this year they will be developing their ability to research, analyse and present data to the group as well as broadening their knowledge about the role of doctors in preparation for making their applications next year.

Johnson Matthey



Did you know that Johnson Matthey run a Chemical engineering plant in Brimsdown that employs 300 people?

Engineers and Analytical Chemists from the plant met with Y10 and Y12 Engineering and Applied Science students to talk about their jobs and pathways into careers within this field.

The students discovered that the majority of the metal they reclaim and re-cycle comes from catalytic convertors from cars, and that the most important skill to have was being able to problem solve.

There was a good natured debate comparing the value of apprenticeship's vs going to university to get into Science and Engineering as the staff who were presenting had come from both pathways - including a current apprentice who is working in the laboratories.

The students asked some excellent probing questions and came away knowing that even if you start out as a mechanical engineer your skill set means you can transfer to electrical or even aeronautical engineering. They were really enthused about the job possibilities that are available on our door step.



We'd like to say a heartfelt thank you to Helen Gilchrist, who is an ex-pupil of the school and now works in Quality Assurance for Johnson Matthey, for organising and co-ordinating the event.

Maven Securities

Maven Securities are a leading multi-national market maker and trading firm with their UK office based in the City of London near to Liverpool Street Station. They offer a post 16 mentoring and skills development programme, in conjunction with The Talent Foundry, to students who attend state schools within London with the aim of increasing social mobility and empowering young people to secure their potential.



Over the course of the last 2 terms our selected students' have attended 4 day long workshop sessions based at the London office where they have developed their skill sets in line with companies core competencies of;

- Drive and Motivation
- Teamwork and Collaboration
- Communication
- Creativity and Innovation
- Integrity
- Problem Analysis



Y12 presenting their research to the other participating schools

In addition to sessions linked to developing the competencies the students have had small group coaching sessions with staff who work for the company to develop their confidence, self belief and personal goals. The students have also had to come up with and deliver a business pitch to staff within the company to secure investment, research areas linked to environmental and social issue investment and present their ideas to the other participating schools.

As a result of completing the course our students are now eligible to apply for a range of work experience placements with the Maven business model which will take place during the summer holidays.



The successful graduates of the programme

Aim High

Our Aim High programme seeks to inspire and encourage our Key Stage 4 and 5 students to consider applying to some of the countries most prestigious universities. The programme involves both visits to universities and attending seminars to develop their broader skill sets to ensure that they are able to make competitive applications when the time comes.

The students in Year 10 have been on a visit to St Peter's College Oxford to find out about what you need to do to get into an Oxbridge University, thought about what the biggest challenges are for students when they move away to go to university, experienced life on the campus, met the college master - Professor Judith Buchanan, participated in academic sessions with post graduate students studying neuroscience and history, and did a walking tour of Oxford.



Year 12 have visited both St Peter's Oxford and Newnham College Cambridge. At both universities they were able to talk to students' who had come from similar schools to ours, found out in depth about the Oxbridge application process, participated in skills workshops, focused on what to include in a good supporting statement, as well as touring the campuses.



Y12 in the quad at St Peter's Oxford

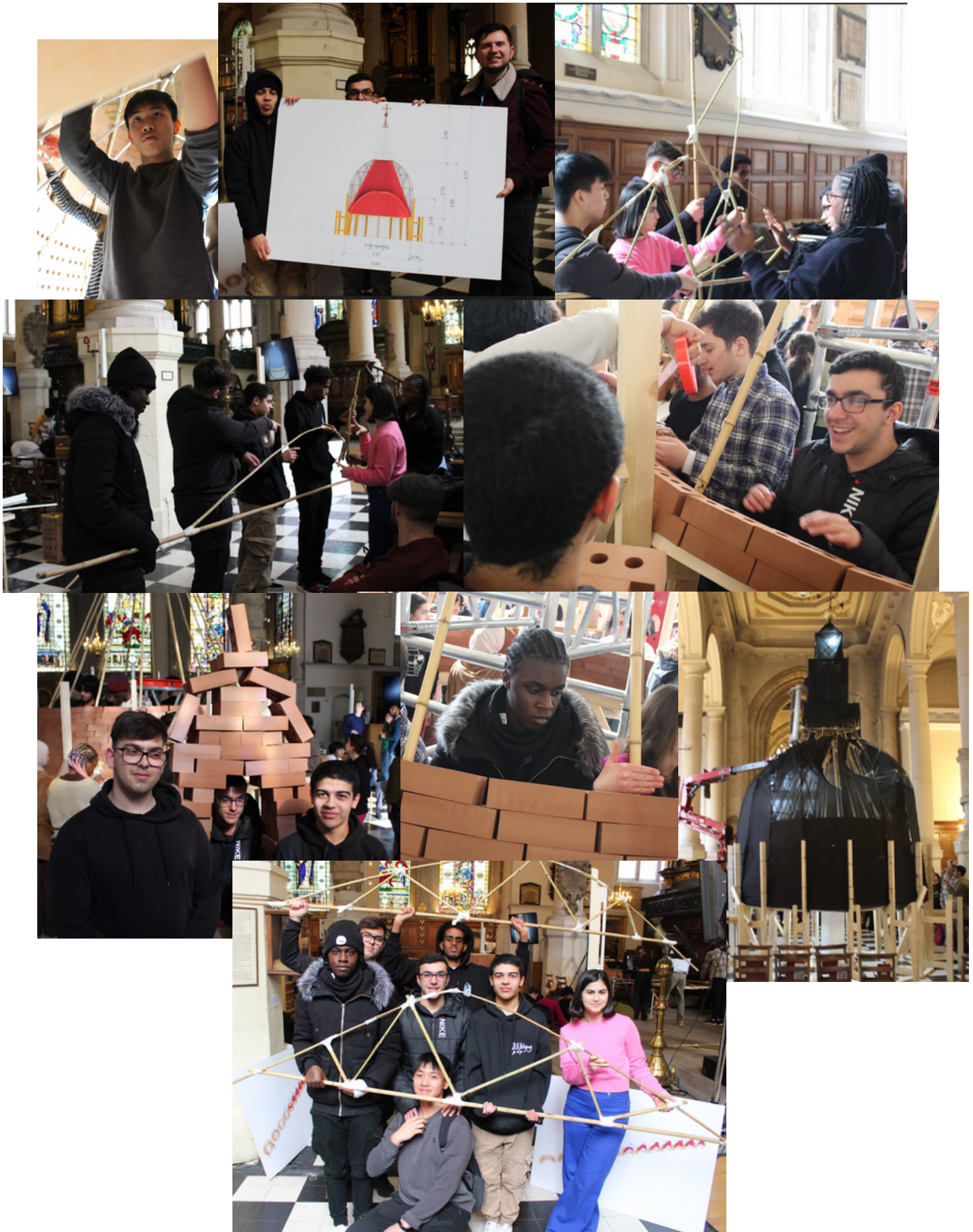


Y12 outside Newnham College Cambridge

Next term after school seminar sessions will begin for all of the Aim High students and we will be encouraging them to study MOOC's in areas they are interested in pursuing in the future as well as developing their wider curriculum knowledge and skills.

Wren 300 Workshop

The Y12 Level 3 BTEC Engineering students participated in the Wren 300 Workshop at St Paul's Cathedral. Run by the Royal College of Engineering the students worked with recent engineering graduates to build a scale replica of the dome of St Paul's Cathedral to commemorate the 300th Anniversary of Sir Christopher Wren's death.



Want to get involved or find out more about your future career?

Drop-in Careers Clinics

Ms Solomon is our careers advisor she runs drop in clinics on Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes in W13 for students in Y9 - 13 to come and get careers advice or to help with applications for online work experience or apprenticeship programmes.

Online Work Experience

Post-Covid lots of companies now offer online or virtual work experience placements as a way of enabling a larger number of students to experience what it is like to work in their industry.

Placements run at weekends, during holidays and sometimes in term time. Ms Solomon posts these opportunities in the relevant year group google classrooms. if you see a placement you would like to participate in then please see her for further details.



KUDOS

KUDOS is our online careers portal that can be used by students in any year group to find out more about pathways into different careers or complete the skills audit and see what jobs suit your area of interest or your skills.

To access KUDOS please go to

<https://kudos.cascaid.co.uk/#/>

Click on the Sign up box and enter our school access code - Hopelate35

You can then create your own personal account and start searching

Coming Up Next Term

Information about all forthcoming Careers Events will be posted in the relevant Year Group Google Classrooms - please keep your eyes out for the next event you would like to participate in.

National Grid Electric Vehicle Workshop - Year 9 students interested in a career in Engineering

Cisco Systems - Careers in ICT - Students in Years 10 - 12

How to know what to study at University Workshop - Year 12 Level 3 Students

Engineering Apprenticeships Fair - Students currently studying an Engineering course in Years 10 - 13

University & Apprenticeship Fair - Year 12 Students

Hertfordshire University Taster Day - Year 12 students

Online Work Experience opportunities for the summer holidays - Students in Years 9 - 12

Social Sciences Festival at University of Westminster - Year 12 Humanities students

Can you help?

We are always looking for new partnerships to help broaden our students exposure to the world of work. We are particularly keen to network with local businesses and colleges who are looking for post 16 and post 18 apprentices. If you are a business who would like to support our careers programme or would be willing to host a work experience placement please do get in touch.

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