

Year 12 Careers Guidance – March 2020

Our careers guidance and support services are now up and running. Chris (our independent careers adviser with CXK) is available to provide careers guidance over the telephone or email. Many of you will have met with him before in year 11. He continues to support the students, their families and the school with a non-judgemental, independent approach. If you are feeling a little lost, unsure or uncertain what to do, I am happy to book you in for a session with him; just contact us on the email at careers@st-georgescofe-thanet.kent.sch.uk

For those applying for or interested in **apprenticeships**: These uncertain times have led to changes in the dynamics of the labour market, keep an eye on the social media pages of any companies you are interested in for any general updates. There are regular updates on the school website with new apprenticeship opportunities, you can also use <https://www.apprenticeshipfinder.org.uk/>. Rest assured that at school we are doing everything we can to ensure the best possible grades in all your qualifications so that you are not held back, stay ambitious!! For general guidance and support with finding apprenticeships and making applications, including an excellent interactive guide, use the pages on the school website <http://www.stgeorges-school.org.uk/1037/thinking-about-apprenticeships>.

For those looking at **part time employment**: Employers should be in contact with you directly if there is any change in their offer or your role, however they may be very busy at this time so keep an eye on their social media and website for any updates. The dynamics of the labour market are changing at the moment which means that the types of jobs available are changing and different industries are taking prominence, if you are concerned about your offer or choices get in touch. Be aware that some of the roles that are being created at the moment will not be available to those who would otherwise be in school.

For those interested in **university**: Universities are already well equipped for digital learning and virtual support, keep an eye on their websites as many are offering virtual tours and digital open days so now is the perfect time to explore. <https://www.universityfinder.org.uk/> and <https://www.ucas.com/> are good starting points for your search.

For those interested in how the labour market is changing – check out this excellent blog <https://www.economicmodelling.co.uk/blog/>

Most importantly of all **stay in touch!!** We are here to help in any way that we can during these uncertain times. No question is too small if it will help to calm anxieties.

Best wishes to all, stay safe.

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