



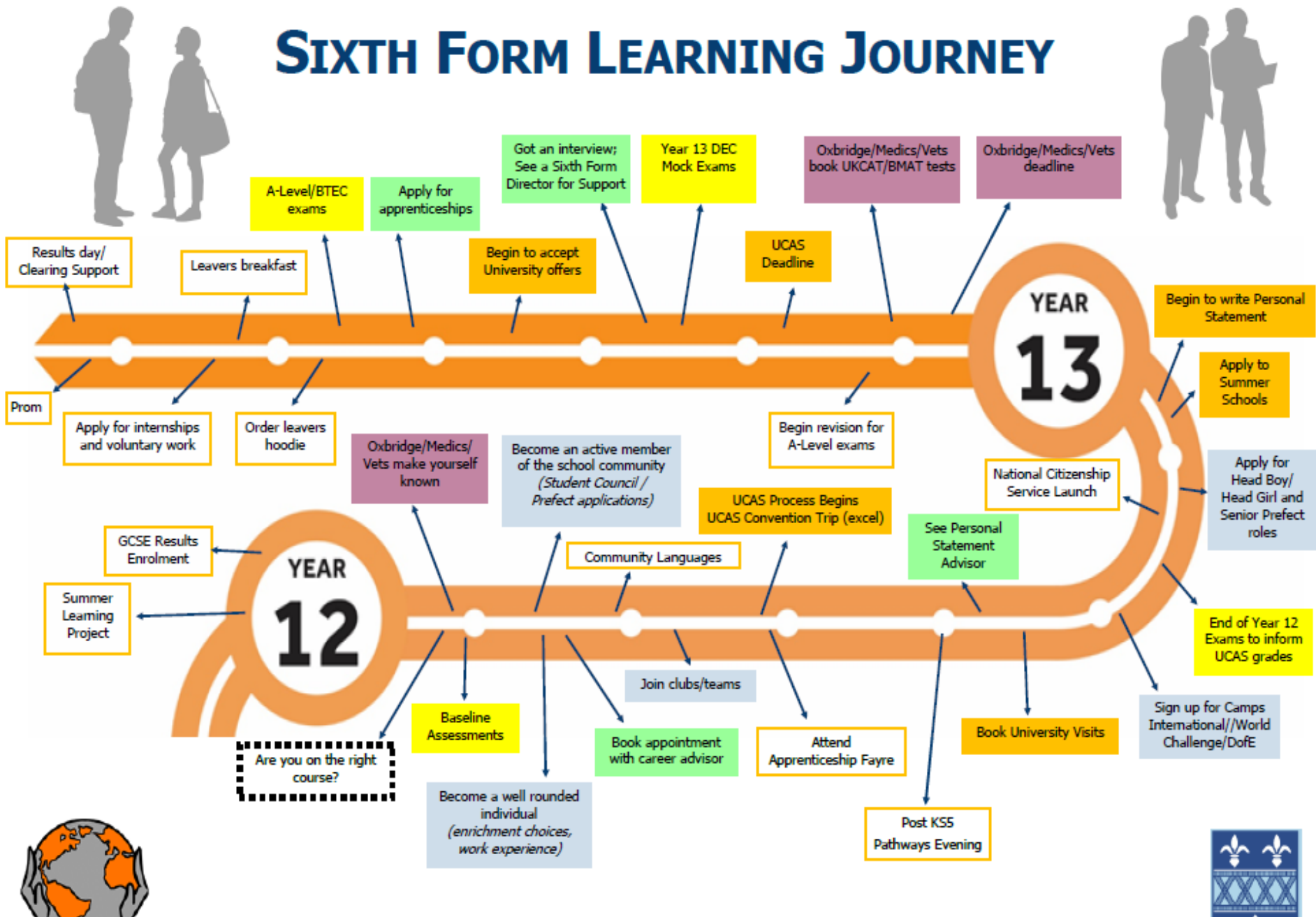
Futures' Fair

Thursday 12th March 2020

Welcome...



SIXTH FORM LEARNING JOURNEY





Our Aim

To provide:

- an overview of the UCAS process at LPGS
- an idea of the implications of going to university
- some information about the alternatives to going to university





POST-18 DESTINATIONS: FUTURES FAIR 2020

Today's Learners, Tomorrow's Leaders

At LPGS Sixth Form we want you to have the best possible chance of a fulfilling and rewarding future career and are therefore keen to make sure that you are fully aware of the different options open to you when you leave school. During Form time you will have completed a research project. This has been designed to help you to carry out research into Higher Education, and your other options after you leave school and how you can best prepare yourself for this. Your future will depend upon the quality of this research and your proactivity in ensuring that you have the right experience.

At LPGS, advice about what to do when you leave school is available from:

- our Careers Adviser, Mrs Tayyiba Zia tz@lpqs.bromley.sch.uk
- your Form Tutor
- your Subject Teachers
- your Head of Year
- the Assistant Headteacher: Sixth Form

Please note, staff contact details are available at: <http://www.lpqs.bromley.sch.uk/74/staff-list-email>

UCAS Exhibition at the ExCel Centre on 24th March 2020



All Year 12 students visit this exhibition. For many, attendance at this exhibition will be your first step in deciding what to do when you leave school. UCAS exhibitions bring together a huge range of universities, colleges, gap year providers and employers in one place. Not only that, it's a person rather than a website, so if you have any questions you can just ask them. Whether you want to confirm your decision or you have no idea where to start, a UCAS exhibition can help you find the answers.

Interested in knowing how to get into the Media Industry?



You may want to sign up for the Media Walk during Activities Week (13 – 17th July 2020). This walk is for those interested in media and the creative industries. It will provide careers information and help on how to raise your profile in these really hard-to-get-into organisations.

Your visit will include (subject to availability):

- British Film Institute
- Southbank Centre

Interested in knowing more about careers in the City including the Banking, Finance and Insurance Industries?



You may want to sign up for the City Walk!

Your visit will include (subject to availability):

- Bank of England
- ING Bank
- Lloyds of London

Can I study and work at the same time?

Some universities offer programmes called 'Degree Apprenticeships'. These combine working with studying part-time and have been developed by employers, universities, and professional bodies working in partnership. Students can achieve a full bachelor's or master's degree as part of their apprenticeship. This approach can take between three to six years to complete. Degree apprenticeships are still quite new, so there are a limited number of vacancies. However they are growing in popularity. More information can be found <https://www.ucas.com/alternatives/apprenticeships/apprenticeships-england/what-apprenticeships-are-available/degree-apprenticeships>



LPGS The Sixth Form (Co-Educational)



Today's Learners
Tomorrow's Leaders



This Research Project must be completed during
Form time in preparation for the Summer Term
Higher Education programme.

Name: _____

Form Group: _____

Pre-Learning for
the Year 12 UCAS
programme and
Post 18 options...

- Entry requirements
- Work Experience etc...



University?

..... or Not?



PROS

- Rewarding life experience
- Degree for your chosen career
- Start at a higher level
- Degree as 'currency'
- Time to think
- Earning potential

CONS

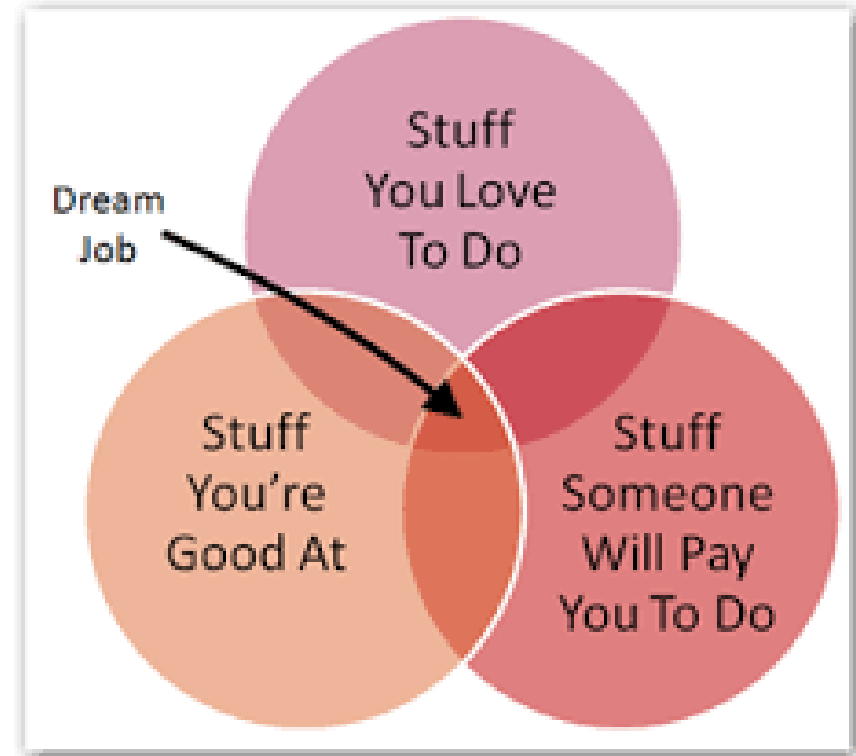
- Career does not require a degree
- Applied skills
- Cost
- Earn now
- An end to study?



Consider Your Dream Job



1. Identify your passions
2. Look at what energises you
3. Undertake work experience
4. Research as much as you can about the profession: hours, pay, which route is needed into the job (university degree, graduate traineeship, school leaver, apprenticeship)
5. Share with others, discuss with friends, family, teachers





UCAS Higher Education Exhibition

Tuesday 24th March @ The ExCel Centre, London.

Compulsory for Year 12

Free!

Universities, Apprenticeship Schemes and Employers will all be at the fair.





The Calendar

Summer Term 2020	Research courses, make shortlist Enrichment: 'UCAS Apply' training Draft Personal Statement with support from a Personal Statement advisor
Sept 2020	Application completed on-line, checked and approved in-house
September 2020	External Deadline for Oxbridge, Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science
October 2020	Internal Deadline for all other applications
Jan - May 2021	Interviews and Open Days University decisions UCAS Extra Final choices - main offer + insurance





End of Year 12 Examinations

- w/c 15th June 2020
- Exam technique experience
- Data to evidence a successful Year 12
- Teachers employ summer exam results to inform UCAS predictions
- UCAS require first year BTEC results





Year 12 – Year 13 Progression

A number of factors will be considered, among them:

- Minimum Expected Grade (based on prior attainment at GCSE)
- Attainment in other subjects in Year 12
- Approach during the Year 12 course (attendance, punctuality, commitment to learning and behaviour)
- Year 12 assessments and end of Year 12 exam results





UCAS Predicted Grades

- Based on end of year 12 exams and other assessments
- Informed by rate of progress students demonstrate over Year 12
- Dependent upon subject expertise and experience at Level 3
- Commitment to serving the students' best interests in the long-term.

1x aspirational choice; 3 moderate choices; 1 safety choice





Support at Home

- Make sure that your son or daughter attends their training and meets their deadlines – **be aware of the dates**
- Encourage extensive research
- Ask for advice e.g. Careers Advisor/ Careermap
- The more you know the more you can help - so go with them to Open Days if you can.
- Log on to www.ucas.com/parents for quarterly bulletins and updates
- Support with formal, academic writing





UCAS Application Process



Understand Course Types



1 Year foundation degrees

- **BSc: 3 years- Bachelor of Science**
- **BEng: 3 years - Bachelor of Engineering**
- **BA: 3 years- Bachelor of the Arts**

UCAS

If you want to be a teacher you should look for courses that says with QTS status, it might be 3 or 4 years depending on the university

Sandwich course 4 years (working in industry for one year)

Courses that start with an M such as MSc will be a longer course usually 4- 5 years that means you finish with a Masters Degree

Consider Joint Honours Degrees

<https://wwwucas.com/connect/videos/how-use-apply-2019>



Entry Requirements

By grades: A,B,C,D,E

e.g. A B B

The offer may also ask for specific grades in specific subjects such as a B in Maths

By the UCAS 'Tariff' points system
e.g. 120 points

A-Level Grades	Points	BTEC Diploma (QCF)	
A*	56	D*D*	112
A	48	D*D	104
B	40	DD	96
C	32	DM	80
D	24	MM	64
E	16	MP	48
		PP	32



International study

Every year, more students are choosing to study overseas. Studying in another country can offer:

- A broader curriculum
- More intense and interactive courses
- Challenges for students to take greater responsibility and independence at higher education.

Students who have studies abroad are looked at very favourably by employers and have excellent employment rates on graduation.





The UCAS Form – 4 main sections

Personal information	Personal Statement
Your Choices	Academic Reference





A,B, C of Personal Statements

Activity: What have you done?

Benefit: What skills have you gained?

Course: How will this prepare you for the course?

Once you have written your Personal Statement get as many people to read it as possible





Making a Final Decision

- Read the prospectuses/guides
- Use websites
- Visit your chosen universities
- Ask teaching staff and family

Remember – choose ALL 5 of your universities carefully as you may have to go there and it may not be possible to change your mind!

