

# Sir Robert Pattinson Academy

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**Dear Parent/Carer** 

#### Platinum Jubilee celebrations, Careers & Work-Related Learning Bulletin, Ask Dan Cyber Support for Parents, Languages Success, Extra-Curricular Clubs and Activities, Year 11 and 13 Leaving Date

Welcome to my end of week update letter.

Four-day weeks sound great but we always end up doing five days of work in a smaller time frame in education! We have seen another of our Jubilee celebration weeks come and go (more below) and a successful Year 7 parents' evening.

#### Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

This week has seen our 'School over the Decades' week. On Tuesday, staff dressed up to represent a decade to show students how teachers would have dressed 'back in the day', as well as special thanks to the humanities faculty who also came dressed as historical events, places or people!

Next week, students from the Academy Council have asked for a whole academy photo using a drone. I can't promise it will be one photo of the whole Academy student body as that is now an enormous task, but I do have a drone and have some fun things planned. More next week....

#### Careers & Work-Related Learning Bulletin

Please find attached the latest edition.

#### Ask Dan Anything for Parents

Over two thirds of students surveyed in the LSCP 2022 Keeping Safe Online Survey indicated that they access their devices once they have gone to bed, and that many parents and carers don't know anything about what they do online. The survey also showed when parents talked openly to their children about their activity online, those students were less likely to experience cyberbullying and more likely to access support.

We want to give you the information and tools to help you feel confident enough to protect your children and young people from online harm. Dan Hawbrook, the Local Authority's resident Online Guru will chat you through different apps, online trends, parental controls and any other burning questions you may have!

Ask Dan anything for parents and carers Tickets, Wed 14 Jun 2023 at 18:00 | Eventbrite

#### Languages Success

As you will know by now, the MFL team use Languagenut to support our students. At the time of writing, the Academy sits fifth in the world for points achieved! Well done to Mrs Hughes and the team and to all of our excellent student linguists!

#### **Extra-Curricular Clubs and Activities**

Our clubs and activities offer has been updated for Term 5. Please click the link <u>here</u> for the latest information on the website.

#### Year 11 and 13 Leaving Date

It is my intention to release both Year 11 and 13 at the end of this term on **Friday 26 May 2023**. Full attendance is expected until this date. After May half term, both year groups will only be expected to attend for their examinations and any revision sessions we are putting on which they feel would be useful. Final leaving events will be published in due course.

As we approach another bank holiday weekend and the coronation of King Charles III, I have taken time to think of the historic event about to take place in our country. None of us were likely born when Queen Elizabeth II was crowned in 1953 so this will be a very interesting experience and I, for one, intend to watch. There is an excellent quote from the US historian Henry Glassie, who said "History is not the past but a map of the past, drawn from a particular point of view, to be useful to the modern traveller."

Enjoy the coronation bank holiday weekend, whatever you may be doing.

I will write again soon.

Yours faithfully

Mr D Hardy Headmaster











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Sir Robert Pattinson Academy Careers and Work-Related Learning Term 5 Bulletin 2023

Welcome to the Term 5 Careers and Work-Related Learning Bulletin.

### Year 11 and Year 13 Destinations

#### Sixth Form Induction information

The dates for induction are - Wednesday 28 June, Thursday 29 June and Friday 30 June. We look forward to welcoming our potential new students for 3 days of activities including taster lessons and induction tasks, an enrichment trip out to the beach, along with co-hosting our very own further education conference with the University of Lincoln. Formal invitations will also be given to students before the end of this term.

### **Apprenticeships**

Volvo Trucks Heavy Vehicle Technician Apprenticeship

This apprenticeship is the level 3 Heavy Vehicle Service & Maintenance Technician standard programme with Crossroads Truck & Bus in Lincoln, LN6 9AP. As an apprentice, you will learn how to maintain and repair large Volvo vehicles to the manufacturers and DSVA standard.

- Closing date: 14 May 2023 0
- Possible start date: 01 Sep 2023
- **Apprentice Warehouse Operative**

Partic Motor Spares are offering a fantastic opportunity for an Apprentice Warehouse Operative to join our busy operation in Lincoln where we pride ourselves in providing industry leading customer service. The successful candidate will be a key part of the warehouse team enabling us to deliver commercial vehicle parts to support local businesses.

- Distance: 0.9 miles Journey time 0
- Closing date: 30 May 2023 0 Possible start date: 08 Jun 2023
- Apprentice Health, Safety & Environmental Technician Level 3 Suffolk 2023

We have an exciting opportunity to work as a Health & Safety Apprentice. The role will develop your skills in planning, reporting and inspections whilst supporting the Health and Safety Manager. You will work for a market leading company, gaining valuable skills and experience to ensure you develop your full potential.

- Closing date: 31 May 2023 0
- Possible start date: 04 Sep 2023 0
- Apprentice Hairdresser

Hair Salon to become their new hairdressing apprentice. Duties will include shampoo, condition and treat the hair and scalp, cut hair using a range of techniques to create a variety of looks and style and finish hair using a range of techniques to create a variety of looks. The successful applicant will attend formal training at Lincoln College starting in September.

- 00 Closing date: 05 Jun 2023
- Possible start date: 04 Sep 2023
- Chef Apprenticeship Kings Head - Epping 0
  - o (Added 19 Apr 2023 1 position available)

Join us at Vintage Inns, a collection of rural pubs where muddy boots and paws are welcome. You'll find roaring log fires, traditional food and a cosy atmosphere. Duties will include preparing everything that is needed before a busy shift. If you want to be part of the Inn Crowd, we want to hear from you.

- Closing date: 16 May 2023 Possible start date: 23 May 2023 0

So far this year, four Year 11 students and one Year 13 student have been successful in securing a position for September. If you would like to have a look at current vacancies, please visit: www.gov.uk

#### Alumni Week



The week of 24 - 28 April saw the launch of the Sir Robert Pattinson Academy Future First Alumni week. Students were involved in a Personal Development session to educate them as to what the power of a strong alumni network brings.

During R2L, students across all year groups completed the job of the week activity – where staff continued to widen students' understanding of different job roles and shared examples of our very own alumni and the aspirations they have.

Several students in Year 12 were involved in virtual meetings, interviewing a range of alumni volunteers and we also had visiting speakers to the Academy who delivered assemblies to the students.

We were lucky enough to have alumni in a variety of roles present to our students. These were a Freelance Artist to Operations, the Logistics Manager at Lincoln City Football Club, a motorsport engineering student, a Sheffield University engineering Professor, an employee of Lucasfilm (yes, Star Wars! (2)) and the Deputy Prime Minister's Secretary.

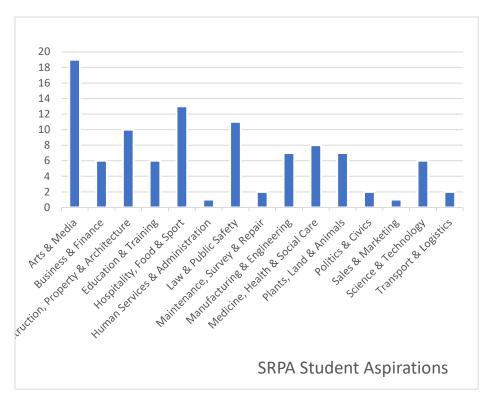
In addition, all of these visitors, including other alumni who were recorded in online meetings, have been interviewed by our Sixth Form Senior Student Leadership Team and these will be shared with all students once the editing has been completed.

This will form the first entries into our library of alumni. This will be a great resource with a vast range of careers and different pathways that current students can engage with.

A huge thank you to all Alumni involved and our very own SSLT for supporting lead this brand new SRPA project!

# **Aspirations Profile of SRPA**

As a part of our careers programme and aspirations support, we formally collect all student career aspirations twice each academic year. This allows us to bring together all of this rich data to plan and deliver bespoke support for all students at the Academy and in RP6th.



Please see the up-to-date careers profile of our cohort below:

# **Aspiration Clinics**

Priority booking will be given to Year 11 and Year 13 students this term. If your son/ daughter has not yet settled on their next step and is unsure of their career aspirations, please ask them to speak to Mrs Mather for some advice. If they would like to speak with Mrs Taylor, our external careers advisor, we can make an appointment for them.

### **Aspirations Ambassador update**

Milena: "I have been an aspirations ambassador for almost 5 months, and I have been involved in parents' evenings as well as recent alumni events and their interviews. I am looking forward to working with Mrs Mather in the future."

#### What's on

#### Head Start Student Life Webinars 2 - 11 May 2023 from 5:00pm

Sessions available include:

- Accommodation at Swansea University
- All About Clearing
- Student Services: Supporting You
- Your Future: Careers Support at the University
- Studying with a Year in Industry or Year Abroad

#### BOOKNOW



Each session will include a Q&A at the end, so any queries can be answered directly by each team.



# British Army Webinar



Date & Time: 14 June 2023, 4:00pm

You'll gain invaluable insight into the extensive range of apprenticeships, the Army Foundation College Harrogate (AFC) for 16 - 17-year-olds, and the application process.

Join the British Army on Wednesday 14 June at 4:00pm and take the first steps into exploring the opportunities available.

You will also hear from current/past apprentices on their experiences of an apprenticeship and how it has impacted and inspired their career so far.



Click here for the link: webinar

Amazing Apprenticeships says:

Apprenticeships are real jobs with real employers, allowing you to work, earn a salary and gain valuable qualifications and experience. Apprenticeships offer choice, opportunity, qualifications, support and a head start into a future career.

#### **InvestIN**



The summer holidays are a great chance for students to unwind but can also be a very useful time for them to upskill and prepare for their future careers.

Both parents and students can join us for an evening webinar as we provide advice and guidance on how to succeed over the summer holidays, including:

- What the job market looks like today and the key skills employers are looking for
- Practical tips on what students can be doing over summer to get ahead in their career development
- How InvestIN can support students in their careers over the summer holidays

This event will take place via Zoom at 6:00pm UK time on Tuesday 16 May. Recordings will be sent to all registrants, so interested parents and students should sign up even if they are unable to attend.

This event is free-of-charge and for both parents and students.

# View & Register





Register Now: Ages 12-14

# **Unifrog**

All students have access to Unifrog, an online platform which has lots of information about careers, apprenticeships and universities. This month, they are running a series of webinars looking at attending university in a different country to the UK. All webinars last 45 minutes and can be joined by signing up on the Unifrog page link below. Many are also able to be viewed on catch-up.

https://www.unifrog.org/student/webinars.

If your son/daughter has forgotten their login they can either request to set a new password or ask Miss Brown in the Sixth Form Hub to help them reset their password.

### **SPRING POD – Work Experience Placements**

Spring Pod organise work experience placements for students in both face to face and virtual settings. There are many different opportunities available to complete, all you need to do is to choose an experience which suits you and register to attend. Courses varying in their commitment and duration, but all provide a useful insight into the world of work.

Some of the current opportunities include:



Visit the website for more information and other opportunities:

### **Careers Visits**

#### **Oxbridge Information and Applications Support Visit**

On Friday 24 March, Mrs Corah took ten Year 12 students to The Priory Academy LSST for the Annual Lincolnshire Oxbridge Conference. Throughout the day, students attended sessions about Oxford and Cambridge Universities. They found out about the application process including how to write an excellent personal statement, how to pass the interview and how to best prepare for entry examinations. They were able to speak to current Oxbridge University students about life at Oxbridge, how to apply for student accommodation and student finance and were given top tips from current students. A brilliant day was had by all!

Ruby R in Year 12 said: 'Students had the opportunity to attend the Lincolnshire Schools' Oxbridge Conference at The Priory Academy, LSST. The day began with refreshments in the Sixth Form common room followed by the chance to select which of the various talks they would attend; these talks, led by Oxbridge students and staff (prior, present, and recently accepted) ranged from subject-specific insights into the courses offered at Oxbridge to tips and advice on the admissions process and how to stand out from the crowd'.



All students enjoyed the day and left with new knowledge about their next steps as part of this exciting stage of their journey, with some firming up which course they would like to take due to the advice given. Overall, it was an enjoyable day spent with students from across the County, and those who went on the trip would recommend the experience to future cohorts with similar ambitions.

"The Oxbridge visit was very useful as I found out lots of important information regarding Oxbridge. I learnt about the transition from A-Level to university and what support is in place. I also learnt about the application process."

Kristen B, Year 12.



"The sessions were really helpful and engaging, they aided us with our knowledge in understanding more about Oxbridge universities and were a great way to get us prepared for applying".

Evie E, Year 12.

# University of Lincoln Social Sciences day

On Tuesday 28 March, students from Year 12 social sciences attended the University of Lincoln 'global issues' day. Students received three lectures on social sciences explaining how they all worked and careers within them.

Students were encouraged to act as members of the government and create their own policies to fix social issues with some fantastic results.

Macey in Year 12 suggested a veterans' support programme in the form of a Private Member's bill, while Callum (Year 12) also suggested some brilliant responses to fixing housing problems within society.

Students learnt a lot about future career prospects and were able to build links with the university that will help them when making decisions about their future pathways.



### Parental Help

If you are able to offer any work experience placements or could spare some time to visit students to talk to them about your own career path, please do get in touch as we would be very grateful for your involvement and sharing of your knowledge and expertise in your field.

We also welcome your ideas and feedback as to what we include in our Careers & Work-Related Bulletin. Please email <u>SMather@srpa.co.uk</u> with your feedback.

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