



Forward Planning for Year 11 Students

Dear Parents and Carers and Students,

A couple of opportunities have recently been advertised that I thought might be useful to share directly with parents and students.

US University Fair 26th-27th September 2025

It might not be as appealing as in previous years, but for students considering applying to universities in the US, you might already be aware that the application system is different to the UK. The Fulbright Commission website <https://fulbright.org.uk/> provides lots of useful information. Attending the **USA College Day university fair** is a great opportunity to meet a variety of US universities, it takes place in London on **Friday 26th September and Saturday 27th September** (the event is the same on both days). For information and to register: <https://fulbright.org.uk/news-and-events/2025/usa-college-day-2025/>

Students planning to study Medicine/Dentistry/Veterinary Medicine

Beaconsfield High School sends a number of students to university each year to study Medicine, Dentistry and Vet Med. Many students choose A Levels in order to meet the entry requirements for these competitive and demanding courses, however we know not everyone will be successful. GCSE results can be a good predictor of A level grades, generally to get an A in a science at A level, a student is likely to have achieved an 8 or 9 at GCSE (Although of course getting an 8 or 9 does not guarantee an A at A level). In addition to A Levels of at least AAA including specific subjects, a high mark in the UCAT score (entrance test for medicine and dentistry) is required. Medicine is a long, tough journey beyond the initial period of learning at university. We encourage students to be fully aware of the requirements and demands of the profession before they commit to an A Level programme of study.

Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust - Applying for NHS work experience in Buckinghamshire 2025–26

Buckinghamshire Healthcare Trust offers work experience to Year 12 and 13 students in a variety of clinical departments – medicine, midwifery, physiotherapy, nursing, biomedical sciences, etc, subject to availability. It is usually based at Stoke Mandeville and Wycombe Hospitals. The application window for applying for work experience in the Autumn term is between **Friday 22 August 2025 – Sunday 7 September 2025**. The booking link will be posted on the Trust's website here: <https://careers.buckshealthcare.nhs.uk/bright-futures/>, when it goes live.

These, and other all opportunities that we are aware of, are posted on the careers section of the school's website, please do check it regularly for updates: <https://www.beaconsfieldhigh.bucks.sch.uk/Careers-Intel/>.

Yours faithfully,

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