



To those students who have joined ORA this September – Welcome! To everyone else – Welcome back! This newsletter is designed to keep you up to date on Careers offerings over the next month or so, including general events and information, information on Universities, Apprenticeships and Work Experience. If you have any questions or anything you'd like to know please email on of the team below.

The ORA Careers Team

Louise Brazier – Careers Advisor lbrazier@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk

Fliss Compton – Careers Lead fcompton@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk

Helen Victory – SLT Link for Careers hvictory@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk

Our Careers Advisor, Louise Brazier, is in school on Wednesday for booked appointments, but is also available for drop-in chats at break and lunchtime – the careers office is on the first floor, on the corridor in between the humanities stairs.



We are delighted to announce that ORA has now achieved the national Quality in Careers Standard using the Career Mark approach provided by Complete Careers.



This national award provides external recognition of the high-quality careers education, information, advice, and guidance provided at the school. It recognises that we are a school that can demonstrate that we are working towards the Department of Education's Gatsby Benchmarks, which are a measure of the provision of excellent careers education, information, advice, and guidance for all students from year 7 to year 13.





ORA Careers Website

Have you looked at our careers section?

<https://ormistonriversacademy.co.uk/for-students/careers-guidance>

The careers section is kept as up-to-date as possible and is a great source of information across many aspects of Careers Education. There are some links to key websites that you are encouraged to visit. We would also encourage students to regularly access and use the website so please take time to talk to your child about it. If you feel we are missing information that would be useful to you, please let us know.

Live Virtual Careers and University Fair

What Career live? With so many options to choose from when you leave school, it can be hard to know where to start. Get your free ticket to the What University? & What Career? Live Event on Saturday 12th November, London Olympia, to explore your options.

This event is for 15 – 19 year olds to chat to top unis and leading employers, watch a packed programme of free talks and get expert advice to help you achieve your career goals.



With exhibitors including; Mott Macdonalds, NHS, Capita, Rolls Royce, dstl, AON, UCFB, Jaguar, Land Rover and universities including University of Southampton, University of Bath, University of Reading, Liverpool Hope University, De Montfort University, Keele University, Ravensbourne University London, University of Lincoln and many, many more! For more information click the link here:

<https://www.whatcareerlive.co.uk/book-tickets>



Free online webinars and talks from Speakers for Schools

Discover the world of work, gain unique industry insights and complete workplace-style activities with leading employers in the UK. And the best part - it's free.

[Discovery Workshops Registration \(office.com\)](https://www.speakersforschools.org/discovery-workshops-registration)

[An Insight into careers in the Construction Industry | Speakers for Schools](#)

View Work Experience opportunities on the



Bitesize Workshop: Presenting Yourself With Confidence



Do you cringe when asked to present to an audience?

Do you want to become more confident at delivering presentations?

Help your students get the best start in life with this virtual employability workshop with Tesco.

Workshop highlights include:

- Top Tips for presenting
- Planning your presentation
- Developing a structure
- Upping the energy
- Steadying the voice

24 Nov 2022
10-11am
Ages 14-19

Taking group bookings now!
Complete this easy booking form quoting the ID: PL-4024

www.speakersforschools.org

Follow us on:



3-Day VWEX with Leading Construction & Property Services Company

- Age: 14-19
- Duration: 3-day VWEX
- Dates: 24/10/2022 - 26/10/2022
- Industry: Construction
- Application deadline: 07/10/2022

If you think construction isn't a career for you, think again!

There are a wide range of roles we will introduce you to which suit a diverse set of skills, knowledge and talents which we know YOU have! In this 3-day virtual work experience, you'll be interacting with members of our project teams from across the UK & working on a range of modules. You will gain insights into some of our flagship projects like the V&A Dundee, Coal Drops Yard London, Manchester City Football Academy to name just a few.

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

www.speakersforschools.org

Follow us on:



website here:

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/experience-2/work-experience/>

Discovery Workshop opportunities on the website here:

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/experience-2/discovery-workshops/>

Access the Broadcast Video Library to watch inspirational talks here:

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/inspiration/vtalks/vtalks-video-library/>



Going to University?

Calling all Year 12 and 13 students!

University open days are an essential part of the process of shortlisting universities for your UCAS application. With so much to see and think about, it's crucial you prepare for your visits and use your time wisely.

[Check out our guide to getting the most out of university open days.](#)

Students can book attendance at Open Days here: www.opendays.com

Student Finance

If you are considering university and need to know about student finance, please head to this website:

<https://studentfinance.campaign.gov.uk/>

UCAS & Personal Statement Support from University of Hertfordshire.

The University of Hertfordshire look forward to supporting you in the coming months whether virtually or in person. We have an exciting range of talks, tasters and on campus events taking place to inspire and support your students on their Higher Education Journey. We appreciate the next few months will be busy with UCAS applications and we have some great resources to support you with your personal statements if you need a little inspiration. You can access our downloadable personal statements guide here.

http://www.herts.ac.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0015/280113/personal_statement.pdf

Tips for writing your personal statement from the University of Salford.

Your personal statement is a chance for you to tell us why you want to study your chosen course or subject, and is submitted to UCAS <https://www.ucas.com/> along with the rest of your application. We know writing your personal statement can be a daunting task - so we've given our top tips to help you get started. Click here for more information. <https://www.salford.ac.uk/writing-your-personal-statement>

You can also visit www.UCAS.com for more details on universities and applications.





T Levels: What are they?

T Levels are new courses, which follow on from GCSEs and are equivalent to 3 'A' levels. These 2-year courses, which were launched September 2020, have been developed in collaboration with employers and businesses so that the content meets the needs of industry and prepares students for work, further training or study.

T Levels offer students a mixture of classroom learning and 'on-the-job' experience during an industry placement of at least 315 hours (approximately 45 days).

Amazing Apprenticeships have put together a film where you can find out more about them and hear from a wide range of teachers, careers advisers, students and employers

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/resource/what-are-tlevels-film/>



Key Events

- ❖ Year 7-13 Careers Assembly Week November 11th - 18th
- ❖ Year 11 and 12 Mock Interviews: January 26th and 27th 2023
- ❖ Careers Fair: Thursday 9th March 2023
- ❖ Year 12 Work Experience: Mon 3rd – Fri 7th July 2023
- ❖ Year 10 Work Experience: Mon 10th – Fri 14th July 2023
- ❖ Year 10 Raising Aspirations Programme with ARU throughout the year

Careers Talks and Mini Masterclasses

We are starting masterclasses again and we are looking for people in employment to deliver 40-minute mini talks, which will make students aware of different career pathways and how to pursue them. There is so much they can learn from you; an insight to your role, advice on how you got to where you are now and your experiences since leaving education. These are held 2.20-3.20pm. We are looking for a wide variety of sectors and roles.



**Ormiston
RIVERS
Academy**

CAREERS NEWSLETTER

Edition 7 - October 2022

Please contact Fliss Compton on fcompton@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk if you would like to deliver a careers masterclass



Year 10 and Year 12 Student Work
Experience July 2023



In July 2023 our current Year 10 and 12 students will be heading out on a week of Work Experience. We want students to start thinking about where they can go for their placement. Maybe a family member or friend they could ask, or parents/ carers may have a colleague they can ask

Can you offer a placement?

In July 2023 our students will be completing a week of work experience and we would like to hear from you if you can offer a placement.

If you are able to help please get in touch via email to Fliss Compton on fcompton@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk

Please include your contact details and profession

We look forward to hearing from you

ORA Careers Team

Aspiration - Independence - Resilience - Respect