

A focus this week on the virtual opportunities that will engage our students in thinking about their future.



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# Grow Your Brain

Scientists have been able to show just how the *brain* grows and gets stronger when you learn

**'Growth is the only evidence of life'**

**St John Henry Newman**



## Virtual Careers Festival

Warrington and Cheshire Pledge, in conjunction with over 40 employers and business owners, are launching 'The Paving The Way Festival' this week. The aim of this virtual careers event is to help students explore and understand a wide variety of jobs and careers. The festival launches at 11am on Tuesday 19 May and runs through until 4pm on Friday 22nd May. Students will have the opportunity to find out lots of information about a range of jobs and careers, participate in quizzes, engage in daily challenges and win prizes too. You will need to register, before Tuesday at: <https://learnliveuk.com/paving-the-way-virtual-careers-festival/>



'Higher Horizons' and 'The Inspirational Learning Group' have launched a new initiative to support students in thinking about their future during the Covid 19 pandemic. Students from across the region can sign up to a programme that helps them understand the different pathways open to them post 16. They will compete in virtual teams and complete a variety of engaging and exciting challenges which include designing a University for the future. The challenges use engaging video content and a virtual deliverer to guide the students through each task and there are prizes aplenty to win. If you would like to participate please email: [enquiries@cardinal-newman.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@cardinal-newman.co.uk) to register your interest. We will then upload you onto the platform. For more information about the Inspirational Learning Group visit their website: <https://www.inspirationallearninggroup.co.uk/>



Eton College has an impressive alumni which includes George Orwell, Ian Fleming, Bear Grylls and twenty British prime ministers. During lockdown, you too could be a student here. Eton College are offering students in Years 10 and 11 free access to some of their online courses. The courses seek to help students prepare for the challenges of our rapidly changing world and help them stand out from the crowd. They aim to bridge the gap between academic success and life in the real world. Students at Cardinal Newman are invited to sign up for courses in: CV Writing, Creative Problem Solving, Interview Skills, Making an Impact, Resilience, Research Skills and Writing Skills. If you are interested, please contact school via email: [enquiries@cardinal-newman.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@cardinal-newman.co.uk) stating which course you would like to be enrolled on. More information about the courses can be found at: <https://etonx.com/>



The Speakers for Schools Programme provides a network of today's most inspiring figures across business, arts, politics helping to inspire students to fuel their ambition. The organisation is passionate about encouraging young people to be the best version of themselves they can possibly be. Ordinarily, the programme works with speakers visiting schools and delivering assemblies but they will now appear live in your living room! Speakers for Schools are excited to offer young people a weekly schedule of 'VTalks' - next week's includes ITV Political Correspondent, Robert Peston talking about his route into journalism. You can tune in at: <https://www.speakersforschools.org/inspiration/vtalks/>

## Transition Support for Year 11

We want to support our Year 11 students and help them prepare for the challenges of Post 16 courses. During this interim period students have the opportunity to research the subjects they want to study and engage in some activities that will make the transition from GCSE to A-Level/BTEC Level 3 study easier. We have collated some resources that students can access on our school website via the '[Year 11 Transition Support](#)' tab on our 'Home Learning Hub'. Why not beat the boredom and get a head start by undertaking some of these preparatory tasks?



**BRITAIN'S  
GOT SKILLS -  
LET'S SHARE  
THEM!**

**SKILLS  
DAYS**  
LAUNCHING  
20.05.20

As part of a national careers week, students are invited to take part in the launch of National Skills Days on 20th May - by sharing their particular skill or talent. It's a great chance for everyone to show case what skills they have whether that be juggling with toilet rolls, performing poetry, gaming expertise or a flair for art and crafts. For details of how you can get involved go to: <https://nationalcareersweek.com/national-skills-days/>

## Keyworkers in the Spotlight

Where would we be without key workers? Cheshire Constabulary and Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service want to celebrate all the work that 'key workers' are doing to keep us safe and well during this pandemic and have launched a colouring competition for young people up to 16 to enter. Information can be found at: <https://www.cheshire.police.uk/police-forces/cheshire-constabulary/areas/cheshire/campaigns/key-worker-colouring-competition/>



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