Super-Curricular Newsletter

Welcome to the May edition of the Super Curricular Newsletter! This month, we bring you a fantastic selection of enriching activities, career opportunities, and apprenticeships to expand your learning beyond the classroom. Whether you want to deepen your subject knowledge, explore new interests, develop valuable skills, or discover potential career pathways, there's something for everyone. Dive in, get inspired, and take the next step toward your future!

Year 12 Work Experience

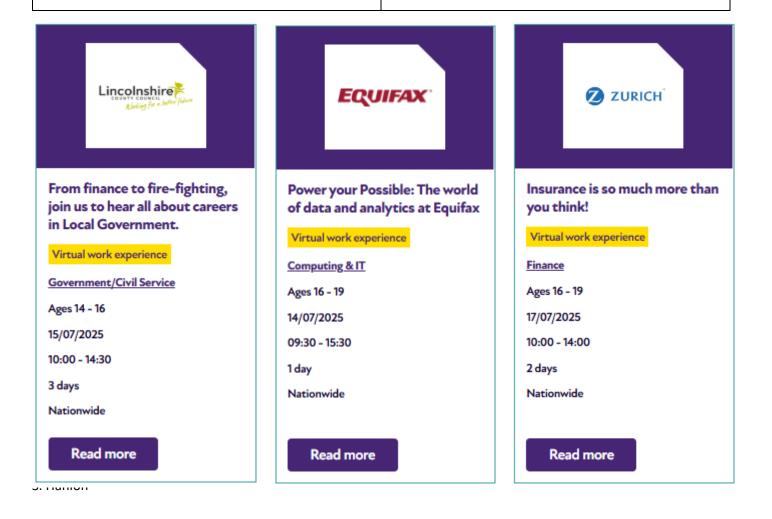
Following on from Ms Hanlon's assembly, all Year 12 students are expected to independently secure a work experience placement for the week of 11th to 18th July. This is a valuable opportunity to explore potential career interests, develop key workplace skills, and build confidence. Students are encouraged to be proactive and start by speaking with family, friends, and contacts in their network who may be able to offer a placement or suggest opportunities. In addition, there are several websites that can help in the search, including <u>Success at School</u>, <u>RateMyPlacement</u>, <u>Speakers for Schools</u>, <u>Springpod</u>, and <u>Indeed</u> (searching for "work experience" or "internships"). It's important to approach employers professionally by email, phone, or in person. Apply early, as places can fill up quickly.

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St. Anselm's College

Events for students

Get ready for **live**, **virtual events** that open eyes and spark ambition in students. From aviation to banking, maritime to entrepreneurs.

There's something for every student to say *"I never knew that was a job!"* Each virtual event has:

- Real-life career journeys that bring the world of work to life
- Live Q&A so students can get answers there and then

Wed 30 April, 11-12pm

Beyond the Cockpit: Hidden careers in AVIATION

This fast-paced virtual session opens students' eyes to roles they might not know exist - from engineering and air traffic control to ground operations and more.

They'll hear direct from aviation professionals and explore the skills and pathways that keep the industry running - from the ground up.





Register for hidden aviation careers

Tue 13 May, 11-12pm Celebrating Diversity in MARITIME Careers

Set sail on a virtual journey as students explore the wide world of maritime careers with inspiring volunteers from Maritime UK. They'll discover the growing role of women in the industry, hear inspiring stories, and learn about the diverse opportunities - at sea and on shore - waiting to be explored.

Register for maritime virtual event

Thu 15 May, 11-12pm

ENTREPRENEURS: Exploring craft careers and business skills This virtual session puts entrepreneurship centre stage - with makers, creators and doers who've built careers from their own ideas. Hear how they turned skills into start-ups, passions into businesses, and gone their own way outside the 9 to 5. Register for entrepreneur insights





Wed 21 May, 11-12pm

Beyond the Numbers: NON-FINANCE Careers in investment banking

Investment banking isn't just about finance - and this session proves it.

Hear from Bank of America employees working in philanthropy, the arts, marketing, and diversity and inclusion. Real roles, real stories, and a world of possibilities students won't expect. Register for non-finance careers

Important: All events suitable for KS3 and above students. Due to safeguarding, individual students cannot join virtual sessions. A teacher must register for the session on the student's behalf and accompany them on the call, so see Ms Hanlon or your subject teacher.

Student Challenge

Invent a Device to Tackle Waterway Litter

Challenge your students to **invent a brand-new device** to help remove litter from canals - and make a real difference to wildlife, water, and local communities.

This is a **design and innovation challenge** that puts creativity and problem-solving centre stage.

It's ideal for STEM sessions, careers activities or eco clubs - and a powerful way to connect learning to real-world impact and workplace challenges.



The task:

Design a smart, practical litter-picking tool or solution to help clean up canals. **The rewards:**

- Winning team: A class boat trip or local eco-adventure
- All participants: Everyone will receive a special Certificate of Participation
- Get your students thinking big, designing boldly, and shaping a cleaner future.

Deadline: Upload of designs by 5pm, Friday 30 May 2025

Find out more and enter the Student Canal Design Challenge.

UPCOMING TALKS

Here is the <u>upcoming live broadcasts schedule</u>. Live broadcasts are a great way for students to hear directly from leading figures from a range of industries, and have the opportunity to ask questions via a moderated Q&A. Please feel free to share with your staff and students! Please note that you have to register your students in advance.

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Wednesday 07th May 10:00 am - 10:45 am

Classroom to career: be true to yourself to navigate the big decisions

Big decisions about your future can feel overwhelming—but what if the best guide is you? This session will explore how your experiences, values, and unique perspective can help shape the right path for you. Learn how to tackle self-doubt, make choices that align with what truly matters, and build confidence in your own journey. Whether you're thinking about further study, work, or something completely different, this talk will help you navigate the next steps with courage and self-belief.

Register now

Monday 12th May 10:00 am - 11:00 am

When Life Gives you Lemons - The Power of Failure

In celebration of World Mental Health Week, join us for an inspiring talk with Sally Orange MBE—former British Army Major, multi-record-breaking adventure athlete, and passionate mental health advocate. From running marathons on every continent to cycling the length of Britain dressed as a piece of fruit, Sally's incredible journey proves that resilience starts in the mind. In this engaging session, she will share powerful lessons on overcoming challenges, pushing limits, and maintaining mental well-being, offering valuable insights for anyone looking to build confidence and resilience in their own lives.

Register now

Tuesday 13th May 02:00 pm - 02:45 pm

A Day In The Life Of A Children's Book Publicist

Ever wondered how books make their way from the publisher's desk to bestseller lists, media headlines, and bookshop displays? Join us for a look at the exciting world of children's book publicity with Beatrice Cross! From working with famous authors to planning book launches and securing press coverage, Bea will share the highs, the challenges, and the unexpected moments of working in publishing. Whether you're a book lover, aspiring publicist, or just curious about creative careers, this is your chance to gain insider knowledge.

Register now

Monday 19th May 02:00 pm - 02:45 pm

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More Than Doctors & Nurses: Exploring Careers in NHS Scotland

The NHS is so much more than doctors and nurses—there are hundreds of career paths that keep it running. From technology and sustainability to teamwork and career advice, this session will uncover the skills in demand and the unexpected opportunities available in the NHS. Join Caroline Lamb, Chief Executive of NHS Scotland, for insights into the diverse roles, cutting-edge innovations, and real-life experiences of working in one of the UK's most vital institutions.

Register now

HOW TO JOIN THE LIVE BROADCASTS

- Join 10 minutes before the broadcast to be ready.
- You can join without needing an account Watch how here
- Watch previous talks on our library here.