

# The Heathland School Sixth Form Spotlight



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## Opportunity to visit Parliament

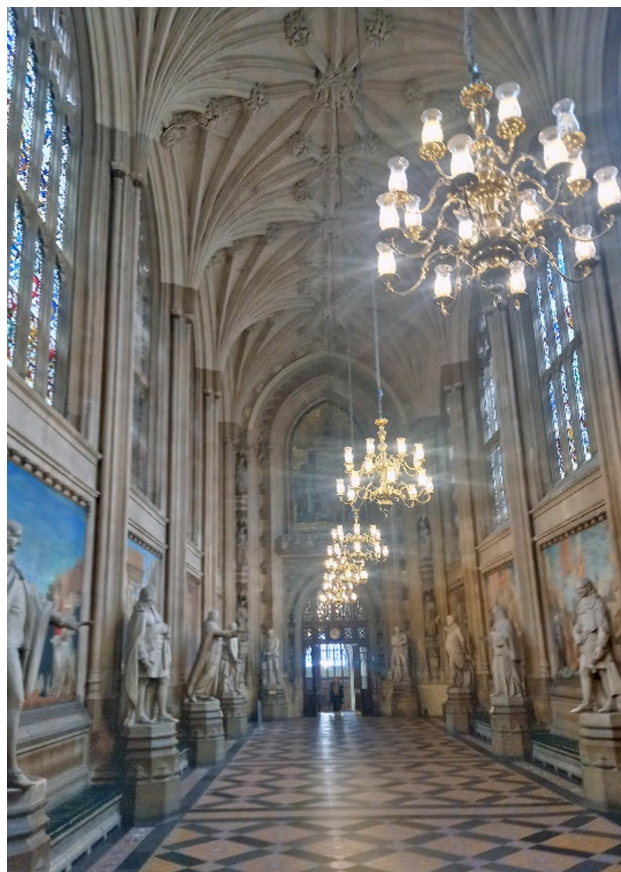


I recently was given a chance to shadow the MP of my local Borough, a small group of constituents followed her throughout her day in parliament.

I came in contact with her through email and she was kind enough to offer me this enriching experience. Throughout the day, we took part in a tour of Parliament, watched some of the day's debates, and learned more about what Seema Malhotra does as our MP. It was

an incredibly insightful day which I am deeply grateful for. As a politics student gaining practical experience in an industry I had been studying was an unbelievable developmental chance.

*Written by: Yara Elqasabogli,  
12 Hogarth*



## Young Professionals event

I had the delightful opportunity to attend a Young Professionals event hosted by Grant Thornton UK LLP. It was a great environment to communicate, network and expand my knowledge of the world of Accounting & Business.

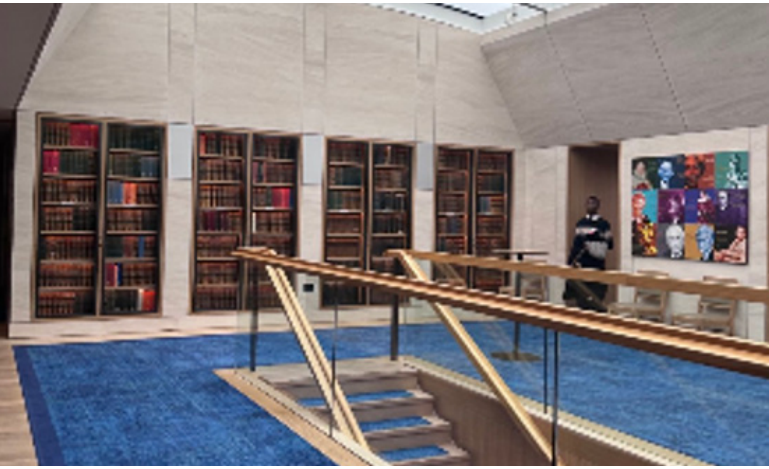
Having conversations with Audit Partner Andy Wood, I gained a firm understanding in the field he is most familiar with.

Many thanks to Holly Pearce for the detailed presentation that gave a summary of the application process and most importantly what Grant Thornton UK LLP is all about. Thanks to Luke Desira and Young Professionals again for this insightful event.

*Written by: Ali Karimi, 12 Adam*



# The Sutton Trust Pathways to Law programme



Recently, I had the privilege of participating in the Sutton Trust Pathways to Law programme, where I had the incredible opportunity to visit the Inner Temple.

This experience was enlightening and offered valuable insights into the legal profession. During the event, I attended an engaging talk on the journey to becoming a barrister, exploring the various pathways available in the field.

Additionally, I took part in a plea mitigation and legal case workshop, where I collaborated with peers and received guidance from practicing barristers on analysing cases and determining appropriate legal actions. One of the highlights was the Q&A panel

session, where I had the chance to interact with accomplished barristers working in different capacities, from in-house to self-employment.

I seized this opportunity to inquire about their career trajectories and sought advice on navigating the legal profession. Overall, the day was instrumental in providing me with valuable insights and a first-hand glimpse into the daily life of a barrister. I am grateful to the Sutton Trust for facilitating such an enriching experience.

I also had the privilege of revisiting Queen Mary University, as part of the Sutton Trust Pathways to Law programme.

The day commenced with an insightful tour of the campus, providing a comprehensive overview of the university's facilities and offerings for prospective students like myself.

Following the tour, we engaged in a thought-provoking session with Push Talk, where we delved into topics such as university life, crafting personal statements, and navigating the application process. The workshop aptly titled 'Seeing Yourself, Selling Yourself' was invaluable in shaping my understanding of the university application journey.

Additionally, we had the opportunity to participate in a workshop on SPITE, a crucial aspect of the law curriculum at Queen Mary hosted by current Queen Mary's students that study law. Exploring scenarios related to revenge porn and linking them to acts for example the Online Safety Act Section 66B. I would like to thank the Queen Mary students for their insightful SPITE talk as well as the member of staff from Push for delivering a very informative talk and to Queen Mary's University for once again another enlightening Pathways to Law event.

*Written by: Banee Khurana, 12 Banks*

## Visit to the Inner Temple



I had the privilege of attending the Inner Temple, thanks to my The Sutton Trust Pathways to Law programme. It was an enlightening experience as I learned more about the role and responsibilities of Barristers. The event provided a comprehensive overview of the qualification process, the different practice areas, and the various opportunities available to those who join the Inn. Visiting the Inner Temple has certainly given me a lot to think about in terms of my career aspirations.

Although I had initially set my sights on becoming a Solicitor, my experience at the Inn has opened my eyes to the unique opportunities

and challenges of being a Barrister. The Barristers I met during my visit were passionate, articulate, and knowledgeable, and their dedication to their clients and the law was truly inspiring.

The different journeys that they had gone through in order to join the Bar, reassured me that one doesn't need to go through the accustomed route in order to practice law. The prospect of advocating for clients in court and developing a specialized practice area is certainly appealing. I thank The Sutton Trust and the host for educating me further about becoming a Barrister.

*Written by: Sukhi Singh, 12 Sheridan*

## Visit to careers event at KPMG's headquarters in Canary Wharf



I was honoured to have received the opportunity to attend the FuturesUP Interactive Careers Event held at KPMG's headquarters in Canary Wharf.

Upon arrival we were greeted with a wonderful introduction speech from KPMG partner, Indy Dhami, and I felt like I could relate with his journey to an extent. We then had an educational Kahoot game session, conducted by the BPP Education group.

The interactive game was backed with PowerPoint slides with in-depth information about apprenticeships, helped retain knowledge about the topic.

We then moved onto an Apprentice panel, from the following companies: Ogilvy, Deutsche Bank, GSK, KPMG, and many more! Alongside a speed networking opportunity from the same companies.

This was great as I got the chance

to personally ask the company representatives of any questions, I had regarding the schemes offered by each firm.

Lastly, we had a group task where we were assigned a celebrity and had to identify any transferable skills that they had that could be used in other industries, backing it up with evidence where the celebrity demonstrated the skills identified.

Overall this event enhanced my communication skills, problem-solving skills and overall networking ability. Thank you to KPMG and Uptree for providing such an informative sneak-peak into the corporate world.

*Written by: Sukhi Singh, 12 Sheridan*

## Faculty of Law Taster Day at Oxford University

I had the opportunity to attend The Oxford University, Faculty of Law Taster day. The inspiring day began with an interesting lecture on the laws surrounding protests- involving Human rights and Law enforcement. It was led by a professor in the faculty and is an actual subject that law students look at in their first year.

Next, there was a talk on UCAS and LNAT applications- around what they mean, how they work and what Oxford specifically looks for. From this talk, I learnt that Oxford has a very early deadline compared to other universities- this is valid information as I would have missed if I were not present!

Following that, there was a second lecture on Roman laws and how it has an impact on laws in the UK today. Surprisingly so, the professor who led the talk believed that her job wouldn't have existed without the Roman jurists existence. Moreover, for lunch, I was allocated to a group in which we all were assigned to a specific college.

Our group was taken around Balliol college, where we ate lunch and had the chance to visit the library, church and student common room. In conclusion, my trip today was a big green flag in terms of where I want to be in the future. The truly enriching experience has further enhanced my understanding of how law is taught and where I want to be in terms of my own career. A huge thank you to Faculty of Law, University of Oxford and The Heathland School 6th Form for picking me to go and try out a day at Oxford!!!!

*Written by: Sana Roen, 12 Adam*

## KPMG's virtual work experience programme

I had the fortunate experience in exploring the dynamic world of KPMG's virtual work experience program: diving into the fascinating realms of AI, unravelling the intricacies of the company's operations, and gaining invaluable insights into the application process – all from the comfort of my screen!

Thanks to KPMG for the insightful opportunity to learn their history, its services it provides and what it work towards.

Furthermore, thanks to Dan M. And Young Professionals for organising this event.

*Written by: Ali Karimi, 12 Hogarth*





## Engineering opportunity

I had the amazing opportunity to dive into the realm of engineering through visual presentations by Spectris plc Malvern Panalytical HBK - Hottinger Brüel & Kjær and Servomex.

**W**e first looked at experiments conducted at HBK. Alex Pierpoint and Cristian Bagni, PhD gave us insight on how material properties and specifically their Youngs Modulus and Ultimate Tensile Strength is applied to real life engineering scenarios, using different gradings of aluminium and steel. We then had the chance to see Servomex's headquarters.

Stephen Firth gave us a nice tour of the building and introduced me to chemical engineering. Kurts work on modelling on the computer, and the company's work on gas analysis intrigued me as i was not very familiar with this field of engineering.

We were then introduced to Malvern Panalytical by Rosie Fatscher who, along with her colleagues, introduced us to nanometrics.

We observed the size and shape of ibuprofen particles, using the Hydroinsight

and the Hydro mv dispersion unit.

We then met Ian Brown and David R. Who gave us insight on cyber security and the technology side of engineering. Ian's story of being unsure what career he wanted to pursue was both relatable but also motivational, as he still managed to attain a great job in the end.

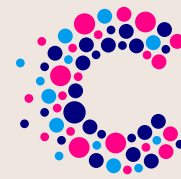
Sian James gave us excellent advice on the application and interview processes, especially the STAR method she talked about.

Nathan Kettlewell gave us a challenging task. We had to create a 7 year plan, with a goal of reducing CO<sup>2</sup> emissions by 42% whilst maintaining a profit of atleast £100,000.

We finished the day off with Q&As with all companies. Special thanks to Hugo Maule Dan M. Young Professionals for this amazing opportunity.

*Written: Zaki Rahmat, 12 Adam*

## Volunteering for a good cause



**CANCER RESEARCH UK**

I had the privilege of volunteering for the Cancer Research 10km Run, where I actively participated by standing on the sidelines and cheering on the participants.

This event successfully raised £750K for cancer research, with a remarkable turnout of over 22,000 runners. Interacting with fellow volunteers heightened my enthusiasm, and I am sincerely grateful for the opportunity to contribute to such a noble cause.

I had signed up to volunteer at the Cancer Research Winter Run 2024 because it was something different and I want to stand out from others when it comes to applying for different universities.

Also, from personal experiences my cousin had recently just beaten cancer, so I thought it was something nice to do on his behalf. A lot of the runners had stopped and took pictures with us and told us why they were running today.

From this experience I not only got something to add to my CV and application, but I also met a lot of new people. I got to experience something a lot of people don't get to experience.

I would encourage others to volunteer because it lets you give back to the community and has a positive impact on others' lives.

It's a great way to help others, learn new skills and meet amazing new people.

*Written by: Banee Khurana, 12 Banks*

## Term dates 2024

### Summer term dates 2024

Tues 16th Apr 2024 – Fri 26th Jul 2024

Inset Day - Mon 15th April 2024

May Day- Monday 6th May 2024

**Half Term - Monday 27th May 2024 to Friday 31st May 2024**

Inset Day- Wednesday 3rd July 2024



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