



For those of you who have returned to education or training this term, we hope your studies are progressing as planned. Everyone is doing their best – students, parents/carers, teachers, trainers and everybody else involved – in very difficult circumstances.

October and November will see many of you beginning to research your options and attending open evenings and events related to your education and training plans for your next academic year. This year, these may be taking place on a 'virtual' basis, and it will be important to look out for when these events are taking place and to register for them.

No matter what lies ahead, remember that professional support is available to you as and when you need it. At [Island Futures](#), our team remain committed to ensuring that young people across the Island continue to have access to the highest quality information, advice and guidance.

Alongside the resources and articles within this edition, please accept this as an open invitation to get in contact with us if you are currently unsure about what to do next or are simply looking for that bit of extra support and a listening ear.

Inevitably, we have had to make some changes to the way we deliver our services. At this point in time we are unable to meet face-to-face, but you can still arrange to speak with an adviser by telephone, email or video call.

## Open Evenings

The local Sixth Forms, Colleges, and Training Providers are likely to be holding open evenings and events in the second half of the Autumn Term and into the Spring and Summer Terms. These may be virtual, and will be advertised on their websites as they occur. Details and links to the websites of all the local education and training providers can be found on the Island Futures website

<https://www.iow.gov.uk/Residents/Schools-and-Learning/Isle-of-Wight-YouthTube/Island-Futures/Post-16-Options-Information> and on the Isle of Wight Flying Start website

<https://www.sunoutreach.org/resource-category/flying-start-isle-of-wight/>

## 'Flying Start' for Island young people

**A new website to help young people in Year 11 plan and prepare for life, study and work after school has been launched by Island Futures and the Hampshire Careers Partnership.** 'Flying Start Isle of Wight' links to a range of useful information, including new material to support students through the current coronavirus pandemic. It acts as a hub for relevant information and links, but bespoke to Island students.

The site can be accessed directly through Flying Start Isle of Wight <https://www.sunoutreach.org/resource-category/flying-start-isle-of-wight/> or via the Island Futures career website <https://www.iow.gov.uk/Residents/Schools-and-Learning/Isle-of-Wight-YouthTube/Island-Futures/Island-Futures1>

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The Talent Tap are now well established on the Island and work with a number of local schools and colleges. They provide free access to webinars for **any 16 - 19** year old students who are interested in finding out more about a career in a particular sector.

Students can take part 'live' in the webinars or watch recordings of them.

Information is here:



## Introducing.....The Talent Tap



# ZOOMINARS

MONTHLY CAREERS AND FUTURE FOCUSED WEBINARS FOR YEAR 12 AND 13 STUDENTS. AN AMAZING OPPORTUNITY TO SEE INTO THE WORLD OF DIFFERENT CAREERS, FROM PEOPLE WHO WORK IN THE INDUSTRY. ASK QUESTIONS AND HEAR THEIR INSIGHTS ON HOW TO GET AHEAD AND ACCESS YOUR FUTURE!

### FIND OUT MORE

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE TALENT TAP AND WHAT OPPORTUNITIES WE COULD GIVE YOU

[WWW.THETALENTTAP.COM](http://WWW.THETALENTTAP.COM)



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<b>15 SEPT 2020</b> SHALL I GO TO UNIVERSITY?	<b>13 OCT 2020</b> LAW
<b>10 NOV 2020</b> INVESTING & FINANCE	<b>8 DEC 2020</b> ENGINEERING
<b>12 JAN 2021</b> ADVERTISING & CREATIVE	<b>9 FEB 2021</b> ACCOUNTANCY
<b>9 MARCH 2021</b> PSYCHOLOGY & CRIMINOLOGY	<b>4 MAY 2021</b> MARKETING & SPORTS MARKETING
<b>25 MAY 2021</b> TECHNOLOGY & IT	<b>29 JUNE 2021</b> ENTREPRENEURIALISM

NB. THERE MAY BE TOPIC AND DATE CHANGES

TIMINGS 15:15 - 16:15

TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR FUTURE -ACHIEVE YOUR POTENTIAL



### Did you know?

You can compare the academic performance of different schools and colleges throughout England, using their officially published exam results?

<https://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk/>

**Next summer's A-levels and GCSEs in England are going ahead - but with slimmed-down content and a start date pushed back by about three weeks.**

Most exams will now start from 7 June, rather than mid-May, in an attempt to make up for lost teaching time.

School leaders have called for a "Plan B" in case the pandemic makes it impossible to take exams. Education Secretary Gavin Williamson said back-up plans will be produced later this term for "all scenarios".

"Exams are the fairest way of judging a student's performance so they will go ahead, underpinned by contingency measures developed in partnership with the sector," said Mr Williamson. "Students have experienced considerable disruption and it's right we give them, and their teachers, the certainty that exams will go ahead and more time to prepare," he said.

### Results days

The announcement from Mr Williamson also says that results days for A-levels and GCSEs will be on the same week - 24 August for A-levels and 27 August for GCSEs.

### Support with exam results

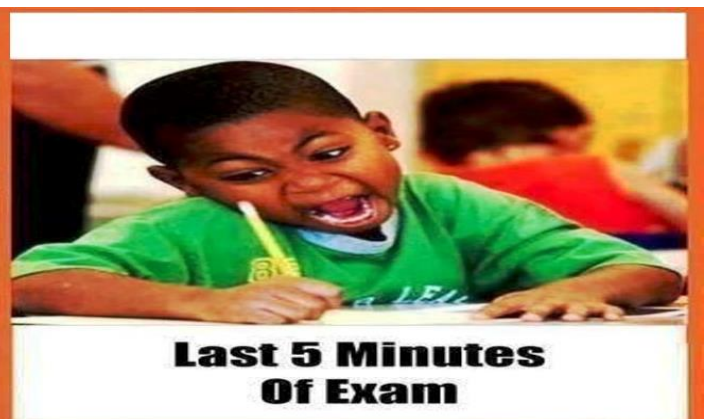
We know that receiving your exam results can be a stressful time, but whether your results were better or worse than you hoped, there are still many options open to you.

Your Island Futures careers advisers are always available to help talk through your options.

**Design Your Career- Youth Summit**  
**9th – 22nd November 2020 ~ Global Online FREE**  
**Registration**

**Register from 5 October at**  
[www.youthcareersummit.com](http://www.youthcareersummit.com)

For SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS preparing to make further education and career choices, PARENTS wanting to understand the emerging challenges their children will face, and CAREER COUNSELLORS seeking compelling content to help support their students.





## Mainland

[Digital Champion \(IT Digital Support Technician Apprentice\)](#)

Portsmouth

[Customer Service Apprentice](#)

Portsmouth

[Business Admin Apprentice](#)

Portsmouth

[Apprentice Dental Nurse](#)

Southampton

[Nursery Apprentice](#)

Southampton

## Isle of Wight

### East Cowes

[Apprentice Dental Nurse](#) at East Cowes  
Dental Walk In Centre

### Freshwater

[Apprentice Customer Service Patient Coordinator](#) at Brookside  
Health Centre

### Newport

[Hospitality Team Leader Apprentice](#) at  
KFC

[Health & Social Care Apprentice](#) at Care  
At Home

[Aftersales Customer Service Advisor Apprentice](#) at Snows BMW Isle of Wight

[Apprentice Vehicle Technician](#) at Snows  
BMW Isle of Wight

[Evening Customer Service Assistant](#) at  
McDonalds

[Project & Administrative Support Assistant](#) at WRS Systems

### Ryde

[Temporary Sales Assistant](#) at Poundland

### Sandown

[Apprentice Customer Service \(Telesales / Business Developer\)](#) at Howden  
Joinery Limited

## Job and Apprenticeship hunting

**Isle of Wight Council job and apprenticeship vacancies**

<https://www.iow.gov.uk/jobvacancies/>

**Isle of Wight NHS Trust job and apprenticeship vacancies**

<https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/>

- [Isle of Wight Jobs](#)
- [IWCP Jobs](#)
- [Gov.uk](#)
- [Indeed](#)
- [Jobsite](#)
- [Monster](#)
- [Reed](#)



## Unsure which A-levels to take?

The Russell Group of Universities have a website which helps students to consider which A-levels they might choose to study in Sixth Form or College. Called "Informed Choices" it offers advice on the A-levels which top-performing Universities recommend.

<https://www.informedchoices.ac.uk/>

## Wondering what T-levels are?

**T-levels are new qualifications which are being phased in between 2020 and 2023.**

**The first 3 T Levels are now available at selected colleges, schools and other providers across England. A further 7 T Levels will be available in September 2021 with the remaining courses starting in either 2022 or 2023.**

**T Level courses include the following compulsory elements:**

- a technical qualification, which includes:
  - core theory, concepts and skills for an industry area
  - specialist skills and knowledge for an occupation or career
- an industry placement with an employer
- a minimum standard in Maths and English if students have not already achieved them

**A list of Colleges currently providing T-levels is here:**

[list of the providers](#)

**A powerpoint presentation explaining T-levels is here:**

<https://southernuniversitiesnetwork.glasscubes.com/share/s/oudnhh8p4ak3dmo4hgmn2biih?0>

## The Careerometer!

**How much will I earn if I choose a career doing.....?  
And are there likely to be any jobs available doing it?**

<https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/careerometer>



## Stay Safe, Be Healthy, Live Happy

### Stay Safe

#### Local and national coronavirus advice and information

<https://www.iow.gov.uk/council/OtherServices/Public-Health-Coronavirus-COVID-19/Advice1>

### Support the Police

Hampshire Constabulary has launched a Youth Independent Advisory Group (IAG) on the Isle of Wight to give young people on the Island the opportunity to question policing practices and review the work done with major investigations, incidents, and issues that impact the local community.

Those aged between 14 and 25 years-old are encouraged to take part in the new project and review, challenge and scrutinise the police's work on specific investigations and local policing protocol.

[www.hampshire.police.uk/police-forces/hampshire-constabulary/areas/careers/careers/independent-advisory-groups/](http://www.hampshire.police.uk/police-forces/hampshire-constabulary/areas/careers/careers/independent-advisory-groups/)

### Be Healthy

<https://1leisure.co.uk/>

### Live Happy

<https://youngminds.org.uk/>