



CRGS Sixth Form: *An Introduction to CRGS Futures*

CRGS *Futures* Series Presentation 1: Mrs Johnston



“The future
depends on
what we do in
the present.”

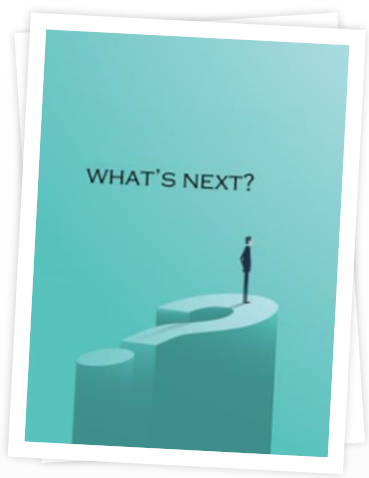
Mahatma
Gandhi

CRGS *Futures* Series

This is the first CRGS Sixth Form Futures presentation:



1. *An Introduction to CRGS Futures*
2. *A Brief Introduction to Applying to University*
3. *Getting Started on your Personal Statement*
4. *Completing your UCAS Form*
5. *A Brief Introduction to Applying for Higher and Degree Apprenticeships*
6. *A Brief Guide to Student Finance*
7. *A Brief Guide to Specialist Admissions Tests*
8. *Replying to Offers*
9. *A Brief Guide to Results Day*



Thinking about the next steps: options post-18



- Employment or school leaver programme
- Higher or Degree Apprenticeship
- University
- Gap Year (travel, volunteering, paid employment...)
- Other (Art Foundation, Drama School...)



“The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.”

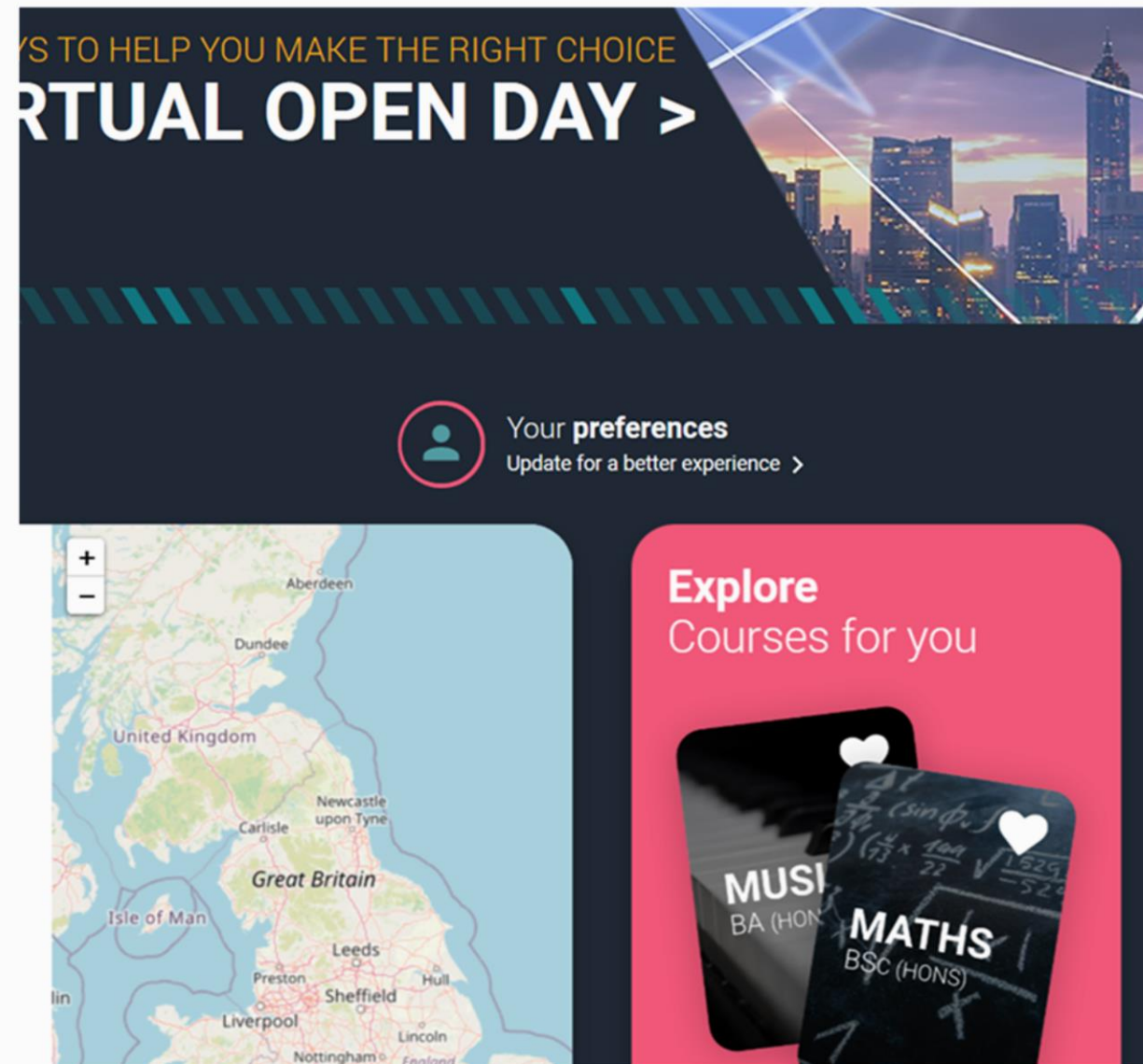
Eleanor
Roosevelt

Remember you can pursue two or more of these options at the same time; they are not mutually exclusive!



1. Research...

- Start with the **UCAS Hub**
- Sign in and explore
- Input your qualifications for suggested courses
- Not just for traditional higher education courses (includes apprenticeship opportunities).





2. Explore your options virtually...



- All university Open Days are currently virtual
<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/events-and-open-days>
- Plans for smaller, bespoke Open Days later in the summer and during the autumn term – register interest for any advertised now as there will be limited numbers!
- There are also virtual tours:
<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/open-days-and-events/virtual-tours>
- Investigate what major companies are offering in terms of school leaver programmes or higher apprenticeships. You will need to search for these individually, but many offer virtual experiences for early career opportunities.



3. Not sure where to start?

Try the [SACU test](#) – simple but deceptively useful:

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“A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step.”

Chinese proverb

4. Get started on your personal statement



- This applies whether or not you are thinking of applying to university
- Virtually every application you will make will ask you to write about yourself and especially your skills and experiences; the principles are exactly the same!
- Watch the *Brief Guide to Applying to University* (Presentation 2) and *Getting Started on your Personal Statement* (Presentation 3)
- Your Form Tutor will check a draft of your personal statement.



By mid-July ...

Every student should have:

- Signed on to the UCAS hub (whether they are thinking of going to university or not!)
- Done research on the UCAS hub
- Started their UCAS form if there is any possibility of them applying to university
- Undertaken the SACU test if they are not sure of their future direction
- “Attended” at least a virtual Open Day or two (these can be for university, apprenticeships or jobs!)
- Written a draft personal statement and sent it to their Form Tutor.



CRGS *Futures*: Help and Advice



Who?	How?	Current contact?
Senior Tutor	Oversees your application(s); writes reference(s); general help and advice	Via email – your Senior Tutor will email you directly and provide contact details for your Form Tutor (see below)
Form Tutor	Oversees personal statements	Form Tutor email
Careers Co-ordinator Mrs Dickinson	Advice and guidance with careers options and HE choices	m.dickinson@crgs.org.uk
UCAS, Careers & Work Experience Administrator Mrs Howard	Support and advice on UCAS Apply, work experience	v.howard@crgs.org.uk
Oxbridge Mr Draper (Oxbridge Co-ordinator)	Support and advice on all applications to Oxford or Cambridge including Admissions Tests	s.draper@crgs.org.uk



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Who?	How?	Current Contact?
MedDenVet Co-ordinator Dr Clarke	Support & advice on all applications to Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Science and allied professions	n.clarke@crgs.org.uk
Student Support Mrs Roberts and Mrs Thompson	Wider support including help and advice about student finance, choosing accommodation etc.	y13pastoral@crgs.org.uk
Subject Teachers	Subject-specific advice e.g. course selection	Subject Teacher email
Library Librarian: Miss Pulman	Wide variety of resources, including those to support applications and tests	k.pulman@crgs.org.uk
Inclusion Manager / SENDCO	Specific support for students with Special Needs including DSA	sendco@crgs.org.uk



Useful resources:

- [UCAS guide for parents, guardians and carers](#)
- [The Complete Guide to Higher and Degree Apprenticeships](#)
- [National Apprenticeship Service Guide to Higher and Degree Apprenticeships](#)
- [Complete University Guide](#)
- [Guardian University Guide](#)
- [The Uni Guide](#)
- [Office for Students \(OfS\)](#)
- [The Scholarship Hub](#)
- [Mo University Assistant](#)
- [Notgoingtouni.co.uk](#)



Get started with your research...

... the world is literally at your finger tips!

