

Kick start 2021!

With our FREE programme of brilliant virtual events for Years 10, 11 and specific parent events

If there is one thing 2020 taught us, it is to be prepared for anything. Get ahead in lock down #3 and try out our new set of virtual events. We have new, hands-on subject based classes to try, a chance to visit a University from your sofa, and expert speakers set up to help pupils and parents get exam and assessment ready.

Whatever you want to achieve this year GROWS can help you to get there and have some fun along the way.

**Getting bored?
Want to try out a new subject?
Join fun, fast online subject sessions run by experts from home!**

Following on from the success of our **Subject Saturdays programme** in 2020, we are delighted to announce we are running another round for 2021. Each session is virtual so you can simply log on from home; and sessions will be delivered by leading names in industry, university lecturers and current university and college students.

Each session is designed to be fun and filled with hands on activities that open up opportunities for future study and careers. You don't need any prior knowledge, just sign up and come with lots of enthusiasm. The sessions run online from **10.30am – 12.30pm**. This half term we will be trying out:

1. **Policing** (hosted by the University of South Wales) on **Saturday 23 January 2021**
2. **Law** (hosted by The University of Gloucestershire) on **Saturday 30 January 2021**
3. **Business Entrepreneurship** (hosted by The Royal Agricultural University) **Saturday 6 February 2021**

Find out more on the next page and book now at www.grows.ac.uk/subjectsaturday

**Not sure what next after GCSEs?
Unsure what subjects would suit you?
Would you like to find out more about University without leaving your home?**

There is a huge choice of subjects you can study after you finish GCSEs. To help you choose, come along to our **Virtual University Experience** on **Saturday 27 March**. You will take a personality quiz matching you to courses, find out more about your options after GCSE and virtually explore a campus of a local university.

Find out more and book your place now at www.grows.ac.uk/vue

Parents, we are not leaving you out. We know how tough parenting is in these ever-changing times and we are here to help. GROWS have teamed up with MADE for Education and will be running a twilight event to help you **support your young person with motivation, study skills, revision and preparing for teacher assessments and exams**. Join us for our virtual workshop on **Wednesday 3 February 2021, 17:45 to 19:15**.

Find out more and book your place at www.grows.ac.uk/madeparents Parents can also register at www.grows.ac.uk/parent for newsletters, information and resources.

We hope to see you at one of our new virtual events!

Yours sincerely,

GROWS TEAM

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Find the online event to kick start your year.....



What & When	What will you be doing?	Why?
Policing 23 January 2021 10:30 – 12:30	Put yourself in the shoes of a Police Officer in 2021. What will be the challenges? When should the police intervene and when should they not?	Run by students from The University of South Wales you will get to be a police officer and take part in situational judgement scenes and scenarios faced by the police every day. Get the opportunity to find out what studying for a career in the police and public services is really like.
Law 30 January 2021 10:30 – 12:30	Fancy a career in Law? Put your legal brain to the test and see how crimes progress through the legal system.	Delivered by The University of Gloucestershire you can get a real taste of what it is like to study a law subject at University. Find out what courses lead to which careers and what skills you need to study law.
Business Entrepreneurship 6 February 2021 10:30 – 12:30	Do you have business idea or a knack for money making? Build your business skills in a fun interactive session led by experts.	Hosted by academics from The Royal Agricultural University's award-winning Enterprise and Entrepreneurship Programme this session road tests start up ideas and gives a real taster of courses that support new businesses.
Parents Twilight Event 3 February 2021 17:45 to 19:15	Education experts help you support your child through these challenging times. Tips, tools and strategies for exam and assessment success.	Hosted by GROWS, Made for Education and others this session is designed to help parents support their children through education in years 10 and 11. How to keep motivated, revise, work remotely and prepare for all types of assessment effectively.
CSI & Forensics February 2021 (Half Term) 1 day	An interactive and fun way to experience forensic science and crime scene investigation.	Run with Pulse CSI this hands-on workshop looks at what teams actually do when assessing a crime scene and how forensic techniques are used to help solve crime. A real industry insight to a popular career with guidance on post 16 courses and next steps.
Virtual University Experience 27 March 2021	A range of sessions from choosing the right course to choosing the right University.	A no pressure opportunity to take a virtual trip to a local University, meet current students and learn about life as a student. Hints and tips on types of courses, places to study and the benefits of higher education.

Book your place www.grows.ac.uk/activities-and-events

* Activities are subject to change.

** If computer or internet access could be a problem please register for events and contact us at grows@glos.ac.uk for support in getting online.