



Volunteer Newsletter

MyBigCareer end of year roundup

Back in November 2020, as you know, MyBigCareer gained a small full-time team of 3 and since then we have slowly built our army of volunteers and we have supported the highest number of young people in an academic year since the charity started. In this academic year we have:

- Trained and onboarded **76 Career Coaches!!** We are so thankful to have each and every one of you with us to support those from the most disadvantaged backgrounds. THANK YOU!
- Supported a **total of 1074** young people (what an achievement!)
- **97%** of students said that they benefitted from attending their 1:1 Career Coaching sessions.
- **93%** of students said that their 1:1 Career Coaching sessions will help them to achieve their future goals.

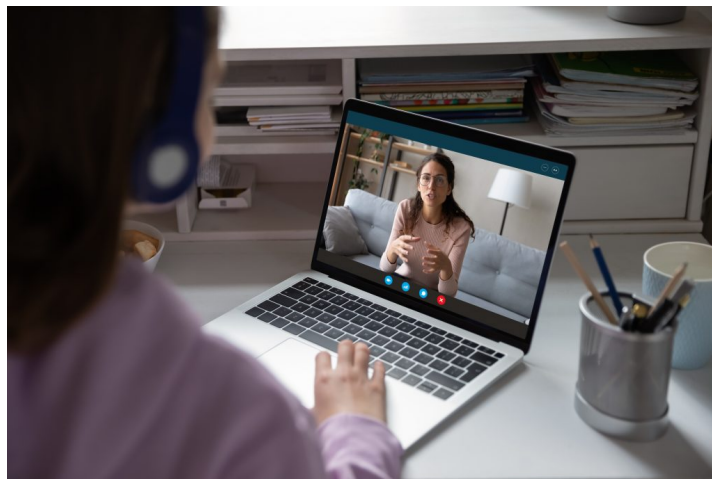
The impact your sessions have

Career Coach:

"I love how they didn't tell you what to do or who to be. They just gave you their best advice and it tremendously helped. Thank you so much! It is a wonderful team. And thank you for not discouraging me from my dreams :)"

Below is a quote from one of our partner school contacts about 1:1 sessions held virtually:

"It was a privilege to supervise these sessions and visibly see students engage with the volunteer, relax and show confidence as the conversation progressed."



What's happening over summer?

Although the majority of our programmes occur during the academic year, the summer period is a great opportunity to further support our young people. In the next couple of months we are supporting our young people on the following:

- A Level Results Day Support
- Summer Mentoring
- UCAS Personal Statement Support

MyBigCareer Values Survey - REMINDER

As a charity we are reflecting on what it is that underlies what we do as an organisation - building the foundations for us to grow and tackle the challenges ahead - in short, what are our shared values and behaviours? In order to do this, we'd love for you to

Thank you for taking the time to complete this preliminary survey and for everything you do for our charity. The deadline to complete this survey is **Wednesday 18th August** but please don't hesitate as it should only take 5-10 minutes.

September & October at MyBigCareer

In the first 2 months of the academic year we have 1:1 Career Coaching sessions booked in 6 schools where we will be supporting around 700 young people. This is a very exciting start and it's without a doubt that this would not be possible without you, our volunteers. All sessions in 2021/2022 will be held virtually.

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A special thanks to...

We'd like to say a special thank you a few volunteers who have offered extra support and expertise in preparation for the MyBigCareer Results Day Support. Thank you to:

- [Philip Rogerson & Pamela Rider](#) - for offering to be a volunteer helpline for any questions that other volunteers may have on the day.
- [Marcus Allen](#) - for helping to lead the Results Day Training and providing our volunteers with useful information to guide them through the day.
- [Tasweer Anderson](#) - for joining Richard in running a Results Day Q&A session for volunteers and offering any advice or expertise to help calm the nerves!

Thank you all!

Articles to read and programmes to watch

To help our volunteers understand more about why the work we do is so important, please find below some articles to read and programmes to watch (please click on the titles to go to the relevant links):

- [Subject-specific Advice](#) - Matthew Buzzacott, MyBigCareer Career Coach
- [Life as an Engineer \(Part 1 of a 5-part series\)](#) - Dipendra Mistry, MyBigCareer Career Coach
- [State of the nation 2021: Social mobility and the pandemic](#) - This report by the Social Mobility Commission justifies our programme offering support to more regional areas outside of London.

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