

# Sixth Form Bulletin



Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017

**Welcome to all Year 12 students and welcome back to Year 13 students!**

## **Signing In / Signing Out**

Sixth Form students are permitted to leave the school site at lunchtime. Students must ensure they sign out when leaving. This is essential health and safety requirement. Year 12 & 13 Signing-Out Sheets are located in the Year 12 Study Centre and Sixth Form Common Room respectively. If a student arrives to school after 9:00am they are must sign in and advise the Sixth Form Office, likewise if they are leaving early they must advise the office and then sign out.

## **Eating at Break Time and Lunch Time**

There is no consuming of food or drink in either the Year 12 Study Centre or School Library. Students who bring a packed lunch into school can eat in the Sixth Form Common Room or sit in the patio areas outside the Year 12 Study Centre and Common Room, as well as on the picnic tables by the canteen. Any food or hot drinks purchased from the refectory must be eaten in there.

## **Queuing for the Refectory at Break Time and Lunch Time**

Sixth Form students **can bypass the outside queue** to enter the Refectory. **However they must join either of the queues when inside** the Refectory.

## **Punctuality**

It is expected that all Sixth Form Students are on the school site by 08:35 each morning. Students entering the school site after 08:40 will be issued with a punctuality detention for 08:10 the following school day.

## **Ski trip – February 2017**

Letters are now available from the Sixth Form office for Sixth Form ski trip during the February half term 2016. A great trip for beginners and more experienced skiers. See Mr. Jenkins for more information.

## **Year 12 Information**

### **Exam Concessions**

Students in Year 12 who had exam concessions for their GCSE's such as additional time for Special Educational Needs are required to speak to Miss Goodman by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September** to make her aware of this information. If a student does not make us aware of this information they will not have the concessions they are entitled to, made available to them when they sit their exams.

## **Subject Change Deadline – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

Year 12 students have until Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September to make change their AS subjects. They must come and see either Mr Taylor or Mr Jenkins.

## **Year 13 Information**

### **Study Periods – Period 5**

Year 13 students who have a non-timetabled lesson during period 5 are able to leave the school site after registering in the Library at 2:15, if they are not required to attend a mentoring or support session.

### **Oxbridge Applicants**

Students who wish to apply to either Oxford or Cambridge need to make Mr Jenkins aware of this in the first week back in September. Students also applying to Oxbridge, or doing Medicine/Veterinary or Dentistry need to make their Form Tutors aware as their UCAS references will need to be completed first.

### **Studying Abroad**

Students interested in studying at a foreign university can find information on all universities in the world which run courses in English at [www.astarfuture.co.uk](http://www.astarfuture.co.uk)

### **Study in the Netherlands**

Students who study at a Dutch University incur tuition fees of €1951 per year for 2015-16, a significant reduction on UK tuition fees. To find out more information on studying in the Netherlands visit [www.studyinholland.co.uk](http://www.studyinholland.co.uk)

**UKCAT Test** – Students applying to studying medicine may be required to sit the UK Clinical Aptitude Test. Applications are made directly by the student online at [www.ukcat.ac.uk](http://www.ukcat.ac.uk).

Applications can be made anytime between **2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017 and 19<sup>th</sup> September 2017, with testing beginning from 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017**. You will be able to book your test slot date when you register online. Students applying to study a medicine related degree at any of the institutions listed below are required to sit the UKCAT:

*University of Aberdeen  
Cardiff University  
University of Dundee  
University of Durham  
University of East Anglia  
University of Edinburgh  
University of Exeter  
University of Glasgow  
Hull York Medical School  
Keele University  
University of Central Lancashire  
King's College London  
University of Leicester*

*University of Manchester  
University of Newcastle  
University of Nottingham  
Plymouth University  
Queen Mary University  
Queen's University Belfast  
University of Sheffield  
University of Southampton  
University of St Andrews  
University of Birmingham  
St George's University  
University of Liverpool  
University of Warwick*

**See Mr Jenkins for more information and advice.**

**BMAT Test** – Students studying medicine or veterinary medicine may be required to sit the Bio-Medical Admissions Test (BMAT). Those who need to take the BMAT exam need to inform the Exams Officer (Mrs. K Cole) by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September**, so that they are entered for the exam, which takes place on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017**.

Institutions that commonly require students to sit the BMAT are:

- **Brighton & Sussex Medical School**
- **University of Cambridge**
- **University of Oxford**
- **Imperial College London**
- **University College London**
- **University of Leeds**
- **Lancaster University**

For more information on the BMAT visit [www.bmat.org.uk](http://www.bmat.org.uk) or see Student Guide in Sixth Form section of the school website

**LNAT Test** – Students studying Law at a university may be required to sit this test. Applications need to be made online at [www.lnat.ac.uk](http://www.lnat.ac.uk) Registration opened on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017 and testing starts from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017.

### **PAT/HAT/ELAT/MAT – Admissions Tests**

Students applying to Oxford and Cambridge are required to sit an aptitude test for certain subjects. Students sitting any of these tests need to obtain an application form from Mrs Cole. There is no cost to sit these tests, the deadline to return the form to Mrs Cole is **15<sup>th</sup> September**, and the test date is **2<sup>nd</sup> November**:

## **Apprenticeship & University Information**

### **University Open Days**

Students should avoid going to Open Days on a school day. If there is a special reason why you need to go to one that falls on a school day, you **MUST complete a yellow Absence Request Form** obtained from the Sixth Form Office. The Sixth Form will then decide whether to give you permission to attend or not.

**Absence Request Forms MUST be filled in for university interviews also.**

For a full list of University Open Days visit [www.ucas.com/open-days](http://www.ucas.com/open-days)

### **National Apprenticeships**

[www.future-talent.com](http://www.future-talent.com) is a national apprenticeship resource for 15-19 year olds. The website features apprenticeships, entry level jobs and courses for students who are not looking to go to university in September.

### **Careers Guidance Website**

All About School Leavers is a website which provides advice, jobs and career information for students interested in the world of work when leaving school. The website address is; [www.allaboutschoolleavers.co.uk](http://www.allaboutschoolleavers.co.uk)

## **Diary Dates**

### **Diary Dates for This Week**

**Tues 5<sup>th</sup>                      Year 12 start**

**Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Sept              Year 13 return. Lessons start at 10am**

**Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Sept            Sixth Form Assembly            Main Hall            Miss Goodman**

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Sept**

### **Diary Dates for Next Week**

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Sept            Year 12 Assembly                      Main Hall            Mr Gordon**

**Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Sept            Year 13 Assembly                      Main Hall            Mr Westwood**

**Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Sept**

**Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Sept            Sixth Form Assembly                      Main Hall            Mr Jenkins**

**Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Sept            Subject Change Deadline**

***Mr Jenkins***