

# Sixth Form Bulletin

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2017



**¡Los estudiantes de año 13 disfrutaron un viaje al teatro!**

## **GCSE Certificates**

If you did not attend the Chingford GCSE Certificate presentation evening, please make sure you collect your certificates from **Mrs Cole in Room 9**. In addition Mrs Cole will be in the **Year 12 Study Centre on Thursday December 14<sup>th</sup> between 3:30 and 4** if students wish to collect their certificates then. Please note that we are only obliged to keep certificates for 1 year after issue.

## **EPQ**

A reminder that all students completing the EPQ must attend the sessions on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 3:20 in Room 136.

## **Robotics Lecture**

There is a free Robotics lecture at Queen Mary University targeting A Level students who are interested in Electronics and Computer Science. It takes place on Friday 8 December 2017 from 17:00 – 19:30. If students wish to attend the event they need register through the following link <http://tinyurl.com/ybdfeswm>

## **Debating Society**

Starting this week, the Sixth Form Debating Society will meet every Wednesday at 1:30 in Room L3. All students welcome.

## **Berlin Trip – Easter 2018**

Reminder that final instalment of £125 is due by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Please see Mrs De'Ath regarding any queries regarding payment of the trip.

## **Christopher Tower Poetry Competition**

The competition is open to 16-18 year-olds. To enter, students need to write a poem of no more than 48 lines on the theme of 'secrets'. The closing date for entries is 2 March 2018 with first prize being awarded £3000. See [www.towerpoetry.org.uk/prize](http://www.towerpoetry.org.uk/prize) for more details.

## **KPMG Apprenticeship Programmes**

A range of programmes are available which cover different areas of the business, all offering a refreshing alternative to the traditional university experience.

**KPMG Discovery** is for Y12 students looking to gain work experience. This two, three or five-day programme will give them useful industry knowledge, career opportunities and the chance to develop the skills they'll need to apply for a role with us.

**KPMG360** gives students the chance to join KPMG and work with some of the best and brightest in the business world. Importantly, it includes a foundation year that's specifically designed so they can experience all areas of the business before they go on to choose an area of specialisation and gain a professional qualification.

**KPMG360 Digital** is a four-year apprenticeship programme that combines academic study with practical work experience. At the same time, they'll also study for a BSc degree in Digital and Technology Solutions with our training provider, BPP University.

**KPMG360 Business Services** is a two-year apprenticeship programme. As a new apprentice, your student will be fully supported throughout the programme with guidance from KPMG teams and gain a professional qualification.

## **Dress Code Reminder**

Please remember that if a jumper is worn as part of the dress code it must be maroon with the school logo.

## **Year 12 Information**

### **GCSE Re-sits**

Please can Y12 students look at whether their likely university choice requires a certain grade in a GCSE subject for entry onto the course. If you think you need to re-sit a GCSE subject please see Mr Jenkins.

### **Goldsmiths Progression Scheme**

This programme gives students access to a range of opportunities that will challenge them academically and support progression into Higher Education. There are various subject strands See Mr. Jenkins for further details.

### **Sutton Trust US Programme**

Students interested in studying at an American University should consider applying for the Sutton Trust US Programme, which is a week-long summer school at an American University. To apply and to find out more information visit <http://us.suttontrust.com/> The deadline for applications is **14<sup>th</sup> January 2018**.

### **Imperial College Summer School**

Imperial College London's Global Summer School is an intensive two-week residential programme. The programme is aimed at students who have a passion for science, technology, engineering or mathematics. Complete an online registration form now and they will email you when applications open in January 2018. [www.imperial.ac.uk/be-inspired/global-summer-school/](http://www.imperial.ac.uk/be-inspired/global-summer-school/)

### Year 12 weekly attendance and punctuality awards 20/11/17 - 26/11/17

Position	Tutor Group	Attendance %
1 <sup>st</sup>	12Y	98.6%

Position	Tutor Group	Punctuality %
1 <sup>st</sup>	12L, 12M	100%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	12K	99.4%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	12V	99.3%

## Year 13 Information

### UCAS Applications

A reminder that UCAS forms need to be completed and submitted asap. When they are sent electronically they go to the Sixth Form Office for checking. Should we wish to contact you regarding your submitted application form please look out for any notices in your registers, notices outside the Sixth Form Office or emails and respond quickly.

### GCHQ Apprenticeship Schemes

GCQH are offering apprenticeships in Software Engineering and Cyber Security. These are suitable for Y13 students who are interesting in programming and coding. These are fantastic opportunities! See Mr Jenkins for further details.

### Year 13 Prom – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Kings Oak, High Beech: 7pm to midnight : two course meal : music : photo-booth awards : coach home to Chingford. **Cost £65** (*price held for last two years-what a bargain*)

**First instalment was due by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November - £15**

Second instalment due by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January - £25

Final instalment due by 23<sup>rd</sup> February - £25

### Year 13 weekly attendance and punctuality awards 20/11/17 - 24/11/17

Position	Tutor Group	Attendance %
1 <sup>st</sup>	13K	93.9%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	13V	93.6%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	13Z	93.3%

Position	Tutor Group	Punctuality %
1 <sup>st</sup>	13Y	100%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	13P, 13V, 13X	99.3%

## 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)

# The Philosophy Society

## Thought for the week



### WHAT MAKES A CHAIR A CHAIR?

**Mr Jenkins says....**

The simple answer might be... a chair is something which anybody defines as a chair.

Chairs vary a large amount in size, shape, colour etc. but are all recognisable as “chairs”. Is there then a shared understanding, that when someone uses the word chair we understand the object being referred to? Is attaching meaning to inanimate objects something which is intrinsically human? German speakers understand and visualise largely the same object when using “stuhl” as French speakers using “chaise” as English speakers using chair would.

Is there a definitive list of characteristics of chair then? 4 legs, a seat, armrests etc.? Why is a bed not a chair if it shares many of the same characteristics? Many other things may also be considered a chair: a tree stump, a ledge, a bench for example. You could use Gibson’s Affordance theory in that *affordance* is ‘what the environment provides or furnishes the animal’, i.e. a chair could be simply anything which is *provided* to be sat on, for rest,... So what makes a chair, a chair? Maybe it is essentially a shared understanding between two people, in that both know what the other one is referring to, when one asks the other, “Pass me that chair”.

### Diary Dates

#### Diary Dates for This Week

<b>Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Year 12 Assembly	Main Hall	12V / Mrs Evans
	<b>EPQ Meeting (Y13)</b>	<b>136 @ 3:20</b>	
<b>Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Year 13 Assembly	Main Hall	Mr Taylor
<b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>			
<b>Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Sixth Form Assembly	Main Hall	Mr Westwood
<b>Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>			

#### Diary Dates for Next Week

<b>Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Year 12 Assembly	Main Hall	Ms Davis
<b>Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Year 13 Assembly	Main Hall	13V / Mr Hockley
<b>Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>			
<b>Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Sixth Form Assembly	Main Hall	Mr Jenkins
<b>Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>			

**Mr Jenkins**