

Sixth Form Bulletin

Monday 10th September 2018



Well done to 12L, winners of the inter-form benchball and to 12V, winners of the Team-Building Challenge!

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 must sign in and advise the Sixth Form Office, likewise if they are leaving early they must advise the office and then sign out.

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.

Kitchen Facilities

The Common Room has facilities where you can make hot and cold drinks. Provisions will be provided and new cups have been brought. Please ensure you keep this area clean and tidy – washing up will be your responsibility – tea towels are provided.

Lockers

Please see Mrs De'Ath in the Sixth Form Office if you want a locker - £10 for two years.

Year 12 Information

Year 12 Photographs – Monday 17th September

All Year 12 students will have their individual student photograph taken on Monday 17th September, all photographs will take place in the Main Hall. Students will be photographed at the following times:

Year 12 students in the study centre period 1	9:00am – 9:10am
Year 12 students in the study centre period 2	10:00am – 10:20am
Year 12 students in the study centre period 4	12:20am – 12:30pm
Year 12 students who have games period 3	1:20pm
Year 12 students in the study centre period 5	2:15pm – 2:30pm

Sutton Trust Pathways programme

There are 2 pathway programmes – **Banking & Finance and Law**. They are aimed students from state schools interested in studying these subjects at university, giving them the information, advice and guidance on applying for degrees and careers. Students must meet certain academic requirements and preference is given to students who are either the first generation in their family to attend university or have been eligible for Free School Meals. **Please see Mr Jenkins for details and how to apply.**

K+ Programme – King’s College

The King’s College K+ scheme is designed to help able students from certain backgrounds make successful applications to university. Students must have at least 8 GCSE’s at grades 4-9/A*-C (including English and Maths), and within this a minimum of 5 grades 7-9’s (A*- A) or above and be the first generation in their family to attend university. Please see Mr Jenkins for details and how to apply. **The deadline for applications is 10th October.**

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 14th 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 14th September 2018

Year 12 students have until Friday 14th September to make change their AS subjects. They must come and see either 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

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

Year 13 Students Considering Studying Medicine / Dentistry / Veterinary

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.

Applications can be made anytime till **18th September 2018, with testing beginning from 2nd July 2018**. 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
Anglia Ruskin University
Aston University
University of Bristol
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 Liverpool
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 Sunderland
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 (Ms. K Cole) by **Friday 14th September 2018**, so that they are entered for the exam, which takes place on **Wednesday 31st October 2018**

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 or see Student Guide in Sixth Form section of the school website

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 **14th September**, and the test date is **31st October 2018**.

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

National Apprenticeships

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

Diary Dates

Diary Dates for Next Week

Mon 10th Sept	Year 12 Assembly	Main Hall	Mr Westwood
Tues 11th Sept	Year 13 Assembly	Main Hall	Mr Gordon
Wed 12th Sept			
Thurs 13th Sept	Sixth Form Assembly	Main Hall	Mr Jenkins
Fri 14th Sept	Subject Change Deadline		

Diary Dates for This Week

Mon 17th Sept	Year 12 Assembly	Main Hall	Mr Jenkins
	Y12 Photographs		
Tues 18th Sept	Year 13 Assembly	Main Hall	Mr Gordon
Wed 19th Sept			
Thurs 20th Sept	Sixth Form Assembly	Main Hall	Ms Goodman
Fri 21st Sept			

Mr Jenkins