

SIXTH FORM BULLETIN

MONDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 2019



*Aiming to develop students who are **car**ing, **res**ourceful, **em**ployable and **we**ll qualified.*



James Morris, the ex-CEO of Stink and now part of Dentsu Aegis Network, gave an interesting talk about working in the creative media industry to Year 12 students last week.

Macmillan Coffee Morning – Friday 4th October

On Friday 4th October, Sixth Form students will be hosting a coffee morning to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Research. This will take place in the Main Hall at break for staff and sixth form students. Cakes will be available for younger students at lunchtime outside the refectory. Please come along and buy a cake! Any staff or students who also want to bake a cake are very welcome! The more cakes the better.

Year 6 Open Evening – Wednesday 9th October

The Year 6 Open Evening is taking place on Wednesday 9th October. Students may be asked by departments to help on the evening. Senior Prefects assisting that evening need to be in the Year 12 Study Centre at 5:30. All students should be in full dress code. Thank you in advance for giving up your time to assist with the evening. As a result of the Open Evening there will be an early finish on Wednesday 9th October. Periods 1-3 will run as normal and students will go to their Period 5 lesson at 12.20. At 1:20 students will be dismissed.

Apprenticeships

MI5 are advertising an opportunity to apply for an apprenticeship position as a software engineer. If you wish to find out more, or potentially apply, see Mr Millan for details.

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 an 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.

Year 12 Information

The Young Doctor Programme

On 10th November and 15th December, InvestIN will be running the Young Doctor programme at Kings College London. A group of high-ranking doctors will immerse you in a series of interactive role-plays, simulations, seminars, and Q&A sessions, to give you a 360-degree experience of practising medicine. You will also be coached on how to maximise your chances of gaining entry into a top medical school. If you are interested, please see Mr Millan for details or go to the InvestIN website. There are other opportunities in fields such as Law, Journalism, and much more.

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 6-9's (A*- B) or above and be the first generation in their family to attend university. Please see Mr Millan for details and how to apply. **The deadline for applications is 10th October.**

Year 13 Information

Sixth Form Prom 2020

The Year 13 Prom will be held on Wednesday 24th June 2020 at the Kings Oak Hotel in Epping. The evening includes a two-course meal, welcome drinks on arrival, a bar, a DJ for the evening and a photo booth. It promises to be an excellent evening and a nice send-off for our current Year 13 students after all of their hard work in the last two years in the Sixth Form. Please make sure you bring your £20 deposit to Mrs De'Ath in the Sixth Form Office or pay on line, as soon as possible.

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 €2087 per year for 2019-20, 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

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) as soon as possible, so that they are entered for the exam, which takes place on **Wednesday 30th October 2019**.

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

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 Ms Cole. There is no cost to sit these tests, but please return the form as soon as possible to Ms Cole. The test date is **Wednesday 30th October 2019**

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 16-24 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.allaboutschooleavers.co.uk

Diary Dates

Diary Dates for This Week

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| Mon 30th Sept | Year 12 Assembly | Main Hall | Mr Taylor |
| Tues 1st Oct | Year 13 Assembly | Main Hall | Mr Taylor |
| Wed 2nd Oct | | | |
| Thurs 3rd Oct | Sixth Form Assembly | Main Hall | Mrs Goldstone |
| Fri 4th Oct | Macmillan Coffee Morning | | |

Diary Dates for Next Week

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| Mon 7th Oct | Year 12 Assembly | Main Hall | Mr Gordon |
| Tues 8th Oct | Year 13 Assembly | Main Hall | Mr Westwood |
| Wed 9th Oct | Open Evening – Main School | | |
| Thurs 10th Oct | Curriculum Day | | |
| Fri 11th Oct | Curriculum Day | | |

Mr Millan