

Windsor Sixth Form Bulletin



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15th December 2023 Bulletin (Issue 7)

Dear Parent/Carer

We are approaching the end of a very busy half term. Our Year 12 students have completed their first term in Sixth Form and have settled in well. Progress Reports will be emailed to parents/carers next week on Tuesday 19th December. If you have any concerns about your son/daughter's progress, please contact Mr Lea, Head of Year 12 in the first instance.

Thank you to all parents who engaged with Year 13 Parents Evening this week. I hope you found the information useful with regards to discussing your son/daughter's progress and targets for the future.

Year 13 trial examinations start on Monday 8th January. This is an opportunity for staff to assess the student's ability to analyse, apply knowledge and develop ideas under exam conditions. Another copy of the timetable is attached to the bulletin. There will be a number of BTEC and CTEC examinations also taking place, so students must familiarise themselves with the timetable and room locations where the exams will take place.

Students return to Sixth Form after Christmas on Monday 8th January 2024. Students should arrive and go straight to their tutor rooms for registration at 9.40am - 10.00am. Period 2 will be as normal. Due to the delayed start, the Geography exam will now commence at 9.50am. Students should proceed straight to the exam venue.

Many of our Year 13 students have already received offers from universities for their chosen courses and are now beginning to decide which universities they wish to place as their first choice. For those students who have yet to submit their applications, we would remind them that they need to be completed by the 12th January, at the very latest. This is to enable us to meet the universities deadline of the 31st January 2024.

A gentle reminder that students will be finishing at 12.30pm on Friday 22nd December. Students can wear a Christmas jumper if they so wish.

Finally, if you have any concerns at all with regards to your son or daughter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Mrs J Dhanoya
Assistant Headteacher

Winter Dance Production

On Monday 4th December, 140 students from Year's 7 to 13 took part in this year's Winter Dance Production, 'Rock Fest'. Taking place at Halesowen Town Hall, the dancers performed dance pieces created during their extra-curricular clubs, or before and after school groups. Students also worked on their routines during PE lessons, GCSE, BTEC and A level Dance lessons.

We also had three student technicians who helped out with sound and lighting and were a credit to our school.

Well done to all the students involved, we are very proud of you!

The Dance Department



Windsor High School and Sixth Form Christmas Card Competition

Congratulations to Thomas in Year 12 for his digital illustration. The winning design selected by Mr Lanckham will be made into this year's Christmas card, with runners up Xiang Yu in Year 12 and Kara in Year 7.

Well done everyone who entered, fantastic art and graphics work.

Winner - Thomas Year 12



Runner up KS3 - Kara Year 7



Runner up KS5 - Xiang Yu Year 12



Introducing Our New Careers Podcast for Students and Parents

Navigating the career landscape can be daunting, whether you're a student thinking about the world of work, a teacher guiding future leaders, or a parent supporting your child's ambitions. 'Dear InvestIN' is our latest resource to demystify this journey, providing answers to the most pressing career questions from our community.

[View Our First Episode](#)

In this episode, our Programme Manager, Safia, and School Partnerships Manager, Lilly tackle students' submitted questions, shedding light on career exploration, employability skills and more. As co-hosts, they bring you their personal insights on various industries, offering a behind-the-scenes look at the career landscape. Drawing from their own experiences, they offer guidance that's both practical and inspiring.

To compliment this episode, we have also created a worksheet which includes a reflection and goal setting activity. Please encourage your students to complete this worksheet, and submit their questions for our next episode!

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Solve for Tomorrow Competition 2023/24

Samsung invites young people aged 16-25 from around the UK and Ireland to submit their tech-for-good solutions to real-world issues!

What do they get in return?

The Solve for Tomorrow Competition 2023/24 offers the chance to win once-in-a-lifetime mentoring and cash prizes of up to £10,000 to develop their ideas for both 16-18 and 18-25 categories.

The competition has direct curriculum links to:

Business Studies
Economics
Design and Technology

The deadline is fast approaching on the **18th December 2023**

[Sign me up!](#)



The Solve for Tomorrow Competition 2023's 18-25 Winner



Kiara Taylor, shared her thoughts
Her winning device aimed to transform farming in Africa by recycling e-waste into wind turbines and car batteries, ultimately powering drip irrigation systems that farmers/people can use to grow crops.

As a young person, I didn't have that much industry experience, so it was really helpful meeting the mentors and experts who have done it already, and also meeting other contestants who are all in the same boat as you.

UCL Masterclasses

Masterclasses are a range of online, subject-specific, hour-long sessions for students in Y12 to get a taste of university. Sessions run weekly on Tuesday and Thursday (4-5pm) from January to April. The webinars will feature a lecture on a specific topic from UCL academics and PhD students. The sessions are interactive, and we encourage you to engage with the presenters, as there is an opportunity at the end to ask questions about the topic presented.

Applications are now open!

Deadline is Tuesday 2nd January for the January masterclasses - find out more [HERE](#).



Access Ashurst Programme

Ashurst is one of the world's leading global law firms with a world class capability and can offer the reach and insight of a global network, combined with a knowledge and understanding of local markets. The Access Ashurst Programme has been designed to increase access to law for young people experiencing disadvantage.

The programme will provide you with the opportunity to take part in two weeks of paid work experience summer of Y12, while receiving mentor support throughout your final year of study.



Deadline is Tuesday 16th January. Find out more [HERE](#).



Aston University - Spring Taster Sessions

A great way for Year 12 and 13 students to experience what our College of Business and Social Sciences and Health and Life Sciences has to offer.

- **Routes into Law with Shoosmiths** - Wednesday 7th February, 9:45am - 2:30pm
- **Accountancy, Finance & Economic** - Tuesday 5th March, 9:45am - 2:00pm
- **Politics – Getting ready for the General Election** - Wednesday 13th March, 9:45am - 2:30pm
- **Psychology and Neuroscience** - Wednesday 20th March 12.30pm - 3.30pm

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If you are a student with aspirations of becoming a doctor, then the Medic Mentor Virtual Work Experience Programme is an incredible opportunity that you will not want to miss. Developed in partnership with the University Hospital Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust, this programme provides a comprehensive and immersive virtual experience that will give you a real insight into the world of medicine.

Just complete the application form, and receive your Work Experience links within 24 hours!

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Nottingham Trent University Apprenticeships Open Day Thursday 8th February 2024, 1 - 4 pm

To celebrate National Apprenticeship Week 2024, we are pleased to invite prospective apprentices to our Apprenticeships Open Day.

The event will bring together employers, current apprentices, academics, course leaders, industry experts and more.

[Find out more](#)



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 19th December - Year 12 Progress Reports to Parent/Carer
Monday 25th December - Monday 8th January 2024 - Christmas Holidays
Monday 8th January - Friday 19th January - Year 13 Mock Examinations
Wednesday 7th February - Year 12 Parent/Carer Evening
Friday 9th February - Progress Reports to Parent/Carer for Year 13
Monday 12th - Friday 16th February - Half Term Week

The school Calendar of events for the forthcoming academic year can be found on the Windsor website

<https://www.windsorhighschool.org.uk/school-life/term-dates-and-school-calendar/>

