

Windsor Sixth Form Bulletin

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Dear Parent/Carer

Students will be issued with their Progress Reports on Tuesday 19th July, following the completion of their internal summer exams. These reports will help inform students when investigating university courses and apprenticeships over the summer. If you have any questions with regards to your son or daughter's progress, please contact their tutor in the first instance.

A Level Results Day is Thursday 18th August between 9-10:30am and GCSE Results Day is Thursday 25th August between 9:00am and 11:00am. Both events will take place in the Sports Hall in Sixth Form.

We are looking forward to welcoming you back in September. Years 12 - 13 arrive during morning break on Tuesday 6th September at 10.50am and should go straight to their tutor rooms. Wednesday 7th September is the Year 12 Team Building Trip, students need to arrive for an **8.15am** briefing. Year 13 students need to arrive at the usual time of 8.40am.

Finally, I would like to wish all Year 12 students good luck for their Work Experience week and I hope you all have a fantastic summer break.

School will finish early today at 12.40pm.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind regards

Mrs J Dhanoya
Assistant Headteacher

Arena Dance Summer Showcase

Congratulations to all students who performed in our Summer Dance Showcase at the Arena Theatre, Wolverhampton. 76 students from Years 7-13 as well as our Alumni Dance Company performed in a range of styles and did so with energy, excellent performance skills and professionalism.

Well done everyone! Miss Harris, Mrs Edgar, Mrs McLaughlin

Congratulations!



Summer Music Concert

Well done to the Year 12 band for performing at the Summer Music concert this week. You have worked really hard to give such a fantastic performance and the reaction has been amazing. You have really inspired many of our younger students in the school. We can't wait for the next concert!

Mrs Richards and Mr Jasper are really proud of you.



New Academic Year 2022-23

Monday 5th September 2022: INSET Day - School closed for students

Tuesday 6th September: School starts for students.

Years 12- 13 arrive during morning break (10.50 - 11.10am) and go to tutor rooms at the start of lesson 3.

Wednesday 7th September: Year 12 Team Building Trip, students need to arrive for an **8.15am** briefing.
Year 13 students need to arrive at 8.40am.

New School Day

The suggested times of the new school day have been adopted following consultation with parents and staff.

From September 2022 the school day for Years 7 - 13 will be as follows:

School will begin as normal at **8.40am** - all students should go to their tutor rooms for tutor time.

Break time will be 10.50 – 11.10 am

Lunch time for all students will be 12.50 – 1.30pm

School will finish at 3.10 pm with twilight sessions finishing at 4pm

UCAS

Well done to Year 13 students who have been working hard on their UCAS applications. Please continue to work on your application and personal statement over the summer. The internal deadline for completion is Friday 16th September for early entry courses. Meeting this deadline will enable staff to fully check the application before submitting it.



Many courses may require additional admissions tests. For more information and to register please see the link below.

<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/applying-university/admissions-tests>



For guidance on application setup/completion please see the 'UCAS' section on Google Classroom.

Thank you
Mrs Pedley

Gain skills and learning for the world of work with the Army

Enabling young people to experience the skills required for the world of work is a great way to set them up for a successful career. With World Youth Skills Day approaching, are you aware of skills development and lifelong learning the Army can offer?

The cost of university can seem daunting, but the Army has many ways to help students fund their education to gain the skills needed for the future.

Standard bursary - £6-7,000 for students on three/four year courses

Technical bursary - £25,000 for students on STEM degree course

Enhanced bursary - For students with 128 UCAS Points three A levels or equivalent

[Find out more](#)

[Watch on YouTube](#)



Aston University Autumn Term Events

Campus Experience Days - Various Dates

A great opportunity to find out about university! Talk to students, take part in a campus tour and discover all that university has to offer.

Our campus experience days are run for KS3, KS4 and KS5 students on different dates - [Find Out More](#)

Taster Sessions - Wednesday 30th November

Join us on campus and take part in taster lectures or lab sessions in the subjects you are interested in studying. Year 12 and 13 students can choose to experience the following:

- Healthcare Taster Session
- Engineering and Physical Sciences Taster Session
- Business Taster Session
- Social Sciences Taster Session

[Explore and Book](#)

Autumn Term Open Days

Saturday 1st October

Saturday 12th November

We'd love to welcome you on to campus for our Autumn Term Open Days!

This is your opportunity to find out more about the courses we run at Aston University, explore our vibrant, city-centre campus and speak to our current students. You can pre-register for our October Open Day now, and we can't wait to meet you!

[Find Out More](#)



Oriel Humanities Residential Programme for Year 12 Students

Registration has now opened for the first Humanities Residential Programme which will be taking place from the 15th - 17th August. This programme aims to support Year 12 students from non-selective state schools who are considering degrees in humanities at highly selective universities like the University of Oxford. The programme is open to students from Worcestershire and Herefordshire, as well as students from the wider West Midlands area.



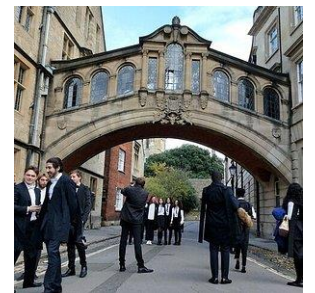
Oriel College
University of Oxford

Participants will be accommodated at Oriel College for the duration of the programme, and will have access to subject sessions and application workshops designed to support students in making applications to humanities courses. The programme is free of charge, and all expenses are funded thanks to the generosity of an Oriel alumnus. Travel expenses will also be reimbursed by the college.

This is an excellent opportunity for any students considering humanities degrees (such as Classics, English, History, Archaeology and Languages) to experience teaching at the University of Oxford, receive advice on making applications to humanities courses, and to hear from current students in the humanities.

[Click here for more information](#)

Registration will be open until the 27th July at midday.



The University of Law Open Days

Our Open Days are an ideal opportunity for you to find out what it's like to study at The University of Law. You can get answers to your questions and get a feel for what life on campus is like. An Open Day will also give you the chance to:

- Meet our tutors and find out more about [our courses](#)
- Speak to students about student life and the societies you can get involved in
- Speak to our [Employability](#) team about the support you'll receive
- Learn more about our [wellbeing support](#)
- Explore the facilities at your chosen campus

[Book now](#)

The University of Law



Free Live Virtual UCAT and BMAT Conferences

Due to such high demand, we are pleased to announce, we have added extra dates for Year 12 students who missed the opportunity to book.

The conferences will be hosted by experts in this field who will be able to share their insight and knowledge around the UCAT and BMAT entrance exams.

We will be running our BMAT conference on **Sunday 17th July** and UCAT conference on **Sunday 24th July**.

We strongly encourage students to register for this free conference on the following link:

<https://airtable.com/shrAjXFXvDaR7ZPkW>

Each conference will run 12-3pm on Zoom and are exclusive for Year 12 students applying to Medicine or Dentistry.

The conference will include the following topics:

- Introduction to UCAT/BMAT
- Different sections of each exam
- Example questions and how to answer them
- Common mistakes and pitfalls
- Ways of improving/practising speed reading and decision making elements
- When to book in your UCAT/BMAT exams



BMAT
BIOMEDICAL ADMISSIONS TEST

Medic Mentor FREE Virtual Work Experience Sessions are now LIVE!

Every month Medic Mentor, Dental Mentor and Vet Mentor release free E-Learning Work Experience for students, our July sessions are now live!

July's courses will be available from the 04/07/2022 to 01/08/2022

Throughout July, applying students in years 10-13 will have access to:

Medics

Medic Mentor's Free Virtual Work Experience on:
Acute Emergency Medicine

Students can enrol for free on the following link:

[Click here](#)



Dentists

Dental Mentor's Free Virtual Work Experience on:
Paediatric dentistry and oral surgery

Students can enrol for free on the following link:

[Click here](#)



Vets

Vet Mentor's Free Virtual Work Experience on:
Small Animal & General Health

Students can enrol for free on the following link:

[Click here](#)



Once students complete all sessions they will receive a certificate which can be used as part of their application.



16-19 Bursary Fund

Please note application packs for next academic year will be available from Student Reception at the start of next term. Students who have been in receipt of this fund previously still have to re-apply, as evidence of household income for the previous tax year is required.

Thank you
Mrs Taylor



ONLINE RESOURCES



Calm

A mindfulness app that includes various relaxing sounds to listen to as well as 'sleep stories' and some guided meditations



Cove

www.nhs.uk/apps-library/cove/

Create music to capture your mood and express how you feel with the Cove app. Instead of words, create music to reflect emotions like joy, sadness, calm and anger. You can store your music in a personal journal, or send them to someone and let the music do the talking.

Headspace

A mindfulness app that has more of a 'podcast feel' to it with various talks, guided meditations and helpful videos available.



Kooth

www.kooth.com



This site contains free mental health support with their online counsellors. It is a free sign up service that has resources such as discussion boards, helpful tips/articles written by young people and an option for them to write mood journals and set positive goals.

Papyrus

www.papyrus-uk.org

A mental health charity dedicated to preventing young suicide by providing support and resources for young people and their families. They have their "Hopeline" (Call 0800 068 4141 / Text 078600 39967 / Email pat@papyrus-uk.org) for children and young people who are experiencing thoughts of suicide, or for anyone concerned for a young person that could be thinking about suicide.



Stem4

www.stem4.org.uk



A charity that promotes positive mental health in teenagers as well as encouraging them to build resilience and manage difficult emotions via online resources.

Advice for parents, guardians and carers on how to support a child or young person if you are concerned about their mental health

Dr Prathiba Chitsabesan has produced a blog outlining advice for parents / carers to support their child's emotional health.

The link also signposts you to other supportive sites, such as Young Minds Parents Helpline and Better Health Every mind Matters. Please click on the link below for further information.

Link: [Advice for parents/guardians and carers](#)

Free School Meal Vouchers

As per the Government directive, Free School Meal vouchers are to be issued to families for the Summer break and these were sent out to eligible students on Thursday 14th July 2022.

You would have received the vouchers either by email or text as you have done previously.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 19 July - Year 12 Progress Reports to Parents

Monday 18 July - Thursday 21 July - Year 12 Work Experience

Friday 22 July - Summer Holiday begins

Thursday 18 August - A Level Results Day

Monday 5 September - Inset Day - School closed to students

Tuesday 6th September - School starts for students - arrive during morning break (10.50 - 11.10)

Wednesday 7th September - Year 12 Team Building Trip - 8.15am registration

