

# Windsor Sixth Form Bulletin

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Dear Parent/Carer

We hope you and your families are safe and well. As we continue to work remotely please encourage your son/daughter to engage with this work as it will keep them focused on their studies. Class charts provide you with an overview of how your son/daughter is progressing in lessons. If you have any concerns about your son/daughter's engagement please contact Mr Richards and Mrs Pedley in the first instance.

Well done to three of our Year 13 students who have received offers from Oxford and Cambridge University. This is a real credit to them, their families and our community.

As you may be aware the UCAS deadline was extended until the end of January, so far we have sent 106 applications. Many of our Year 13 students have already received offers from universities on their chosen courses and are now beginning to decide which universities they wish to study at as their first choice. If students require any further support with their UCAS application please contact Mrs Pedley in the first instance via email: [spedley@windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](mailto:spedley@windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk)

A small number of our Year 12 students participated in a Brilliant Club seminar remotely this week. The students engaged well in the session and were great ambassadors of the Sixth Form.

As a reminder, all our safety advice, organisational details and information for parents and students can be located in one place in the weekly newsletters section of our website.

<https://www.windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk/news-vacancies/weekly-newsletters/>

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Mrs J Dhanoya  
Assistant Headteacher

## Better Health - Every Mind Matters Make Inside Feel Better



Public Health England have launched the Better Health - **Every Mind Matters** campaign to support the nation's mental wellbeing with the encouragement that "When things aren't so good out there, **make inside feel better**". The key message is to encourage everyone, students, staff and parents/carers to create a free NHS-approved '**Mind Plan**'. [The Every Mind Matters platform](#) has been continuously updated to support people during the COVID-19 outbreak, and has a [COVID-19 hub](#) that includes tips and support on how to deal with change, cope with money worries and job uncertainty and how to look after your mental wellbeing while staying at home. It also includes practical tips and videos from experts on dealing with [stress](#) and [anxiety](#), boosting your [mood](#), [sleeping](#) better and what you can do to help others and includes advice for [parents](#) and for [children and young people](#).

### COVID-19 Lateral Flow Test information for Parent / Carer

We shared information with you via ParentMail on 19<sup>th</sup> January regarding the Lateral Flow Test process.



**Parental permission is not required for a student who is aged 16 or over.**

Currently we will be testing staff and students who are in school. Please do not send your son/daughter into school for a test. On the day of your son/daughter's test, they will bring home a card containing a QR code and a barcode allocated to him/her. You can use this information to register on the online NHS system. Registration will need to be completed within 24 hours of your son/daughter having the test to ensure you receive the results.

### Class Charts

Thank you to those parents who have requested that their account be set up automatically. We will action these requests as soon as we can!



Look out for information from Class Charts. If you haven't already responded, please use the link below to give your consent for us to automatically create a parent account for you.  
<https://forms.gle/KonsLV4GiG2WT6Wp9>

If you have any questions please do contact us via email –  
[info@windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](mailto:info@windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk)

The Sixth Form email is:  
[sixthform@windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](mailto:sixthform@windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk)

## Applications now open for the DHL 2021 Apprenticeship scheme!

### BUILD YOUR CAREER WITH DHL

In the fast-paced, ever-changing supply chain industry, DHL need to make sure they stay ahead of the game, and their apprentices play a crucial role in this. With roles across the country, from transport logistics to finance, digitalisation to engineering, there is certain to be something for students of all interests. [START YOUR JOURNEY](#)



**STUDENTS ARE INVITED**  
**INSIGHT EVENT: DHL APPRENTICESHIPS - 4TH FEBRUARY - 16:30 - 17:30**

## Liverpool John Moore's University

Liverpool John Moore's University outreach virtual site hosts helpful resources for students in regards to navigating university including on demand video content and upcoming opportunities to engage virtually. You can find this website [here](#).

In addition, if students have missed open day events they can catch up on all the presentations delivered on the virtual events site [here](#). This site also contains a live chat function to ask any LJMU related questions you have Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm.



## Careers News

National Apprenticeship Week 2021 will take place from 8 to 14 February 2021. The week-long celebration of apprenticeships will shine a light on the amazing work being *done by employers and apprentices across the country and it will also recognise how employers of all sizes have stepped up to the challenge during this unprecedented time.*

If you are someone seriously interested in applying for an apprenticeship then make sure you take on an opportunity arising from this celebration week. Some key events are posted on the 'Sixth Form Careers Hub' classroom including the following:

- Young Professionals Apprenticeship Journey Webinar: 8<sup>th</sup> February 3pm – 5pm
- The Big Assembly Apprenticeship insight broadcast: 9th February 11.10am onwards

Sign up if you are able to attend and want to know more about apprenticeships. Remember that January is a key month whereby apprenticeship providers post their opportunities for September 2021 - so sign up to <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship> if you haven't already to get text alerts for the apprenticeship posts you are interested in. Any questions please email Mrs Brookes [jbrookes@windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](mailto:jbrookes@windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk).

### Proactive Year 12 students secures two virtual Work Experience placements!

Well done to Mahdis in Year 12 who has managed to secure two virtual Work Experience placements which take place in February half term. Mahdis will be taking part in a construction based placement with the Danny Sullivan Group and a business placement with Young Professionals. Congratulations Mahdis, this will really help your future applications to university and employment stand out!



## University of Wolverhampton Events and Activities

### Subject Based Discovery Sessions

We are hosting a series of subject based sessions to enhance students understanding of the different course areas that are offered at the University.

The sessions being planned are as follows;

24<sup>th</sup> February - Architecture and Built Environments

25<sup>th</sup> March - Pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences

9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March - A day in the life of an NHS Physicians Associate (1 hour session repeated on 2 occasions)

10<sup>th</sup> Feb - School of Art- Surrealist Photomontage

24<sup>th</sup> Feb - School of Art- Type portraits.

They can all be booked using the following link <https://www.wlv.ac.uk/news-and-events/virtual-events/>

### Other sessions

We have a variety of other events that can be found on our virtual events page; <https://www.wlv.ac.uk/news-and-events/virtual-events/>

## Super Curricular Activities

Strong applicants to competitive universities tend to have explored their chosen subject through wider reading outside the classroom, as well as doing very well in their GCSEs and A-Levels. Super curricular activities build on and enhance what students are currently studying. Here are a few suggestions for some of the activities students can complete if they so wish. If you would like further information on super curricular activities for a particular subject, please contact Mrs Dhanoya.

Free Online Courses – [Future learn](#) Free Online Courses – [Open Learn](#) \_Develop your Skills - [Reed](#)

National Career Service – [Gov.uk](#) Develop your Critical skills - [Edx](#) Online Textbook Platform - [Libretexts](#)

**09 February 2021 – 14:00 to 15:00 – Virtual True Crime - Murder File**

An in-depth look into an interesting but grizzly subject. We examine murder from all angles; legal definitions of murder and manslaughter, investigating a murder case, learning how lawyers defend their clients and looking at the very real impact that Criminology research has on the investigation and punishment of murder. Fun, exciting and informative. [Book here](#)

**18 February 2021 – 10:00 to 12:00 – Barrister Experience Day**

You will get the chance to: - Meet tutors and current students who will be able to tell you all about the profession. This will look great on any personal statement and will provide an insight into the profession from the safety of your home. This Event is for Year 12 and 13 students. [Book here](#)

**23 February 2021 – 18:00 to 19:30 – Behavioural Science: From “Profiling” to Behavioural Investigative Advice**

During this virtual event, we will look at the role of Behavioural Investigative Advisors (BIA) providing advice to crime investigations from a behavioural science perspective (sometime misleadingly referred to as ‘profiling’). It will examine the role of BIA’s, answer questions and clear up common misconceptions about what it is that BIA’s do. [Book here](#)

**24 February 2021 – 16:00 to 17:30 – LGBT and Law, Celebrating LGBT History Month**

In celebration of LGBT History month we bring you another in our series of virtual mini-lecture events. Join our panel of specialists and researchers as we have a series of 15 minute lectures on different areas of LGBT and the Law. This is a great opportunity for everyone, both part of the LGBTQ+ community and friends of it, to learn the history and progress within the legal system. [Book here](#)

**22 April 2021 – 16:00 to 17:30 – Criminal Investigation Day**

It is over 25 years since the murder of Stephen Lawrence, a case that contributed to major changes within policing, the law and society as a whole. Investigate what happened, uncover the facts and follow the campaign to get justice with the University of Law [Book here](#)

**Applications for Sutton Trust Summer School are Open**

The [Sutton Trust](#), is a charity that champions social mobility. Applications for our **free** university and Apprenticeship Summer Schools opened on January 11<sup>th</sup> 2021 and close on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021.

The new [Apprenticeship Summer School](#) will allow students to explore degree-level apprenticeships as an alternative to university by attending interactive skills sessions and networking with top employers like Accenture, PwC and Coca-Cola EP.


**Nuffield Research - the Benefits of Completing a Placement**

Your Nuffield Research Placement will be some of the best weeks of your life so far. You will apply skills and knowledge that you’ve learned at school AND learn so much more from your expert supervisor. Students will also undertake initial independent study **support** package

*Nuffield Research Placements are highly valued by universities*

- You will get the chance to work alongside researchers and industry professionals
- You will write a project report, which you can enter for a Gold CREST Award



<https://www.nuffieldresearchplacements.org/apply-student-placement>

**Allied NHS Healthcare Careers Virtual Work Experience**

The only LIVE NHS Healthcare Careers Virtual Work Experience in the UK, run by Healthcare Professionals! Let us help you to take your first steps into the world of healthcare careers. This is a flexible virtual work experience programme that you can tailor around you, by selecting from a choice of dates. It is live, giving you the chance to interact with healthcare professionals, but from the comfort and safety of your own home. Join thousands of other students who are exploring healthcare careers with the help of our LIVE simulated high fidelity work experience programme! For more information follow the link below.



<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>

**Ask For “Ani” – Domestic Abuse Scheme**

Dudley Safeguarding team have asked us to highlight the following help/advice. Victims of domestic abuse can go into pharmacies and ask for help. **By asking for “Ani”** anyone suffering from domestic abuse will be taken into a private room and offered support. “Ani” represents an acronym for Action Needed Immediately.



## Barclays Life Skills

As many students move to remote learning, LifeSkills created with Barclays, the free employability programme, can support you in building your employability skills and resilience. We have a range of resources, including lesson plans, films and interactive tools, that can be used remotely.

“LifeSkills resources are clear and get to the heart of what students need to think about. They're brilliant!”  
– Careers adviser1



What to expect from LifeSkills:

- Expansion of our diversity and inclusion in the workplace resources
- Virtual work experience opportunities to explore the workplace remotely
- An exclusive Q&A session with Major Tim Peake, in partnership with Future TalentEd, for students to learn more about careers in STEM

All this and more can help you build careers and skills into your plans. [Register now](#) to get started

### Girton College Humanities Writing Competition 2020-21



Girton's Humanities Writing Competition is for students in Year 12 (or equivalent) who have an interest in the Humanities. Students will submit an essay based on one or more objects selected from the College's small antiquities museum, the Lawrence Room.

This competition is an opportunity for research and writing beyond the curriculum using one or more of the museum objects as your focus. Essays or creative responses (such as dramatic monologues or short stories) are equally welcome. We are looking for the ability to connect different areas of knowledge, to think about details and to communicate clearly.

Closing Date: 5pm on **Thursday 1st April 2021**

Prizes: Up to £200 cash and £200-worth of books from Cambridge University Press, the latter to be shared between the winning entrant/s and their school/s. The prize fund may be divided between winning entrants.

Further Information Full information regarding the competition can be found here:

<https://www.girton.cam.ac.uk/prospective-students/undergraduate/humanitieswriting-competition>

### Outreach with Oriel College, Oxford | Virtual sessions with your Oxford link college | Planning ahead for 2021



#### Virtual Outreach

Oriel's Outreach output will remain virtual until further notice. It is hoped that some in-person activities and visits will be possible by late spring/summer. Find out more [Virtual Outreach programme](#).

#### Oxbridge Classics Open Day (virtual event) – 29th March 2021

The 2021 virtual Oxbridge Classics Open Day is a chance to find out more about applying to study [Classics](#) (and its joint degrees) at Oxford and Cambridge, with course presentations, taster lectures, and opportunities to ask questions to current students and academics.

#### Law Residential/ Online Spring Workshops for Year 12 students – 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021

For 2021, the Law Residential has been adapted into a virtual programme of Spring Workshops. Find out more [here](#).

#### Law Faculty Taster Day (Virtual Event) – 15th & 16th March 2021

This event is open to everyone and will consist of admissions talks, an introduction to BA Jurisprudence & BA Law with Law Studies in Europe, 1-to-1 chats with College and Faculty Ambassadors, finance presentation and a careers talk with sponsors, Clifford Chance. Find out more [here](#).

#### Oxford Online Maths Club – weekly

The Mathematical Institute are streaming an online “Maths Club” every Thursday at 4.30pm, covering Maths problems, puzzles, mini-lectures, and Q&A. It's free, interactive, casual, and relaxed, with an emphasis on solving problems, building fluency. Find out more [here](#).

Events are regularly added to the Oxford Outreach Calendar, which can be found [here](#).

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Reminder - School is closed on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January and therefore there will be no work available on line

Tuesday 9th February - Y13 Progress reports to Parents

Half Term Week: Mon 15th - Fri 19th February 2021

The school Calendar of events for the forthcoming academic year can be found on the Windsor website [www.windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](http://www.windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk)

Dates for the Diary: