

Windsor Sixth Form Bulletin

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Dear Parent/Carer

We hope you and your families are keeping well. Students have settled back in after the Easter break. Year 13 students have been working tirelessly on their assessments. Please encourage your son/daughter to continue to prepare for these assessments and ensure they attend each day to maximise their chances.

Some of our Year 12 students have concluded their Scholars Programme which they have been working on alongside their A levels. The quality of the projects the students created are outstanding and congratulations to the students for completing the programme successfully.

To further support with the delivery of our tutor programme, all students are expected to attend one tutor session per week. Year 12 students must be in Sixth Form at 8.40am on a Tuesday morning and for Year 13 it is a Thursday morning. We know this year our tutor programme has not been delivered in our usual manner but please ensure your son/daughter attends the session as it will impact their overall attendance.

Please contact me if you have any further concerns or questions.

Kind regards

Mrs J Dhanoya
Assistant Headteacher

Information regarding lateral flow testing and travelling to Sixth Form

Thank you to all students and families who continue to take LFT at home twice weekly, this is helping to keep us all safe and well.

Below is some information from Dudley Local Authority, which they have asked us to share with you.

Students must not attend school and must inform us if;

- they or members of their household have covid-19 symptoms and they should [arrange a PCR test](#)
- they or members of their household have tested positive on LFD or PCR in the last 10 days (anyone with a positive LFD should book a confirmatory PCR test)
- they have been told to isolate as a contact. Close contacts can now book a PCR test as a contact [book a test](#)
- they feel unwell
- they should be isolating for 10 days following recently returning from overseas.

Students should continue with twice weekly LFT testing and report the result to school through TestRegister (<https://testregister.co.uk/login>) and NHS <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

If families would like to take part in the national test at home programme – lateral flow testing kits are available via the .gov website [here](#)

Face coverings in school should continue to be worn (except for students who are exempt)

It is expected that face coverings will no longer be required to be worn in classrooms, or by students in other communal areas, at Step 3 of the roadmap, which will be **no earlier than 17th May**.

Those who are currently exempt from wearing face coverings, including students who are speaking to or providing assistance to someone who relies on lip reading, clear sound or facial expression to communicate, will remain so. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/face-coverings-in-schools-and-colleges-to-remain-in-place>

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Success for Windsor Sixth Form in Aston University Francophonie Competition

Our Year 12 French students recently entered a 'French Around The World' competition launched by Aston University. They designed beautiful presentations on French speaking countries all over the world.

Dr Henry Jones, lecturer in Translation, has commended our students for their "brilliant creativity and French language skills demonstrated in the presentations".

A big well done and "bravo" goes to Sara for her excellent presentation and with awards for 'Outstanding Contributions' going to Lucy and James.



We are so proud of you

Oxford Summer School

Congratulations to Aleks, Kumal, Naomi and Sam, who have secured a place on the Oxford summers school (UNIQ) for this year.

This is an excellent achievement!

well done



KS5 Science Revision Books

All KS5 science revision books must now be ordered and paid for online via ParentMail. Please allow 24hrs after purchasing to collect book(s) from the Student Reception Desk in the Study Room.



Evening Classes

This week our evening classes commenced. Students are attending additional sessions run by subject staff. The evening classes are running History, PE, Maths, Law, Religious Studies and English.

Well done to all involved.

WELL DONE



University of Lincoln - The Historical Association video

Students studying History may find the following video interesting:

Professor Anna Marie Roos of the University of Lincoln 'The First Egyptian Society, 1741-3, "scientific antiquarianism" and the Royal Society'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ldUMmp6aWQQ>



Last Chance to sign up for World Maths Day! Don't miss out

With only a week to go until the big day, do not miss out on your chance to get involved in World Maths Day!

It's time for students to prime those maths brains, flex those fingers and join over 14,000 schools and one million peers from around the world in a fun (and completely FREE!) celebration of mathematics!

https://www.3plearning.com/world-maths-day/?utm_source=Email&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=GLOBAL_MX0012-WMD2021&utm_content=Promo3&wp-linkindex=6#learnmore

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Real World Lecture Series - New Topics

To date, over 2000 students have attended our twilight lecture series (newly named Real World Lectures). We have added even more this year, in a wide range of level 3 curriculum topics within Criminology, Business, Law and Politics, as well as in key issues covered in Citizenship and PSHE.

Is prison an effective form of punishment? - 11th May

Death Penalty: Is the right to life an effective form of punishment? - 18th May

How is mental health protected by law? - 25th May

What determines the sentence of a crime? - 8th June

Will COVID-19 change the way lawyers work in the future? - 15th June

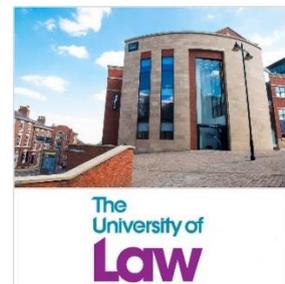
Does the right business structure balance the risks? - 15th Jun e

Is the age of criminal responsibility too low? - 22nd June

Can you sue if there is no physical harm? - 29th June

All lectures are held virtually 4 - 5pm, individual students can book a lecture at www.law.ac.uk/events

[Book a lecture now](#)



June/July Year 12 Summer Masterclass Weeks

Our virtual subject masterclasses are created and delivered by our highly-knowledgeable academic staff using our online virtual learning platform. Attending one of these Masterclass Sessions will give you a fantastic insight into subjects at degree level and can prove useful when you look at applying to University!

More information and booking onto a session can be accessed by clicking [here](#)



Loughborough University - Engineering Experience 2021

Who is the event for:

Year 12 and BTEC Year 1 students. The event is aimed at students who are considering studying engineering at degree level, whether they know exactly what they want to do or are just wondering if engineering might be a possibility for them.

When will the event run:

28th June - 4th July 2021



Loughborough University

What will the event offer:

- A series of live sessions with engineering professional, academics and researchers and alumni looking at why engineering matters and their own career paths.
- A wealth of material about engineering degrees, how to apply and what you might study.
- A project aimed at helping you prepare to study at HE level.
- Conversations with current engineering students to find out what it is like to be a student, go on placement, apply for jobs and live in Loughborough.

How to register: visit www.lboro.ac.uk/engexp

Oriel College, University of Oxford - Year 12 Virtual Study Days

Virtual Year 12 Study Days: June 2021

Oriel College is offering Virtual Study Days in selected subjects for Year 12s from UK state schools. These virtual events will give a taste of studying each subject at a top university and offer advice and guidance on applying for them at Oxford, including dedicated sessions on interviews and admissions testing. There will be opportunities to interact with academics and current undergraduate students, and content will be available in live and pre-recorded formats (including recordings available for a period of time post-event) to enable participants to access the events in a way which best suits them.



Applications are currently open for **English & English Joint Schools (1st June)**, **Medicine & Biomedical Sciences (3rd June)**, and **PPE (4th June)**. Further information, including selection criteria and an application form, can be found here: <https://www.oriel.ox.ac.uk/virtual-study-days>

University of Reading West Midlands Webinars



Preparing for your higher education journey: Choosing a university & course

This live webinar is taking place on **Thursday 20th May at 6pm** and will begin with a short 5-10 minute presentation on what to consider when choosing a university and course, followed by a Q&A for the remaining time, giving you the chance to ask eight universities your questions.

[Register for your place](#) to hear from University of Reading, University of Leicester, Aston University, University of Hertfordshire, University of South Wales, University of Wolverhampton, University College Birmingham, and Newman University.

We also have some evening webinars coming up specifically aimed at students who live or study within the West Midlands. These webinars will help prepare you for starting university, whether you are going this year or next year. You will get to hear from current students who are from the West Midlands themselves and you can ask questions throughout. Click the links for more information and to register.

[Student Life & Accommodation - Wed 26th May, 6 - 7pm](#) [Moving away from the West Midlands - Wed 16th June, 6 - 7pm](#)

Do something more with your music - British Army Music

Want to pursue an exciting and varied career with music at its heart, performing and entertaining on the world stage? Army musicians are at the forefront of high-profile events in the UK and around the world; playing everything from jazz and contemporary to classical and military marching music.

Did you know?

For those planning to study music performance at a Conservatoire or University, Army Music could sponsor music students £9,250 a year throughout their degree.



Musicians enter Army Music at all stages of their career; whether an experienced gigging musician or just starting out. Instrumental tuition is provided throughout an Army Music career, as well as opportunities to specialise in conducting.

[Find out more](#)

All the latest from UCFB

At the University Campus of Football Business (UCFB) we pride ourselves on providing students with a stimulating curriculum in a unique environment at our UK campuses, through our online degree programmes and at our global hubs around the world.

Our Virtual Open Days are a great way to learn more about UCFB, our programmes, facilities and staff from the comfort of your own home.

Meet and hear from our hugely experienced academic team, get the chance to speak to our staff and current students and learn more about the magnificent surroundings which will be your academic home for three years.

Check out our **Open Day Content Hub** where you'll be able to find everything from videos with our academics to campus tours. Alternatively, you can attend one of our **Webinars**.

[Click here to find out more about our Virtual Open Day.](#)

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Aston Upcoming Virtual Events

Biology Taster Day - Tuesday 4th May 2021, 12:00 - 13:00

At Aston we offer a range of Biological Science subjects - this is your chance to find out more about what is on offer! Meet our lecturers and speak to current Biological Science students. You will be able to gain an insight into the course structures and content as well as take part in an online sample lecture. [Book your place now](#)

Mental Health Awareness Week - Monday 10th - Friday 14th May (various sessions)

From laughter yoga to confidence building workshops. From study skills to transition to university support. For this year's national mental health week, Aston University is showcasing the wonderful support services we have on offer whilst supporting the mental health of young people through varying talks, workshops, and Q+A sessions. Students, teachers, and parents join us for this virtual programme of events. [Register on our website](#) to receive the programme of activities that you can choose to join.

Studying Medicine at Aston University - Wednesday 19th May, 16:00-17:30

Studying for a career in Medicine can be exciting, challenging and worthwhile. Now, more than ever, working in healthcare is vital for the safety and wellbeing of our communities, but deciding to study Medicine is just the first step. It's important that candidates understand what it takes to study Medicine at university and the process for applying as well. [Book your place now](#)

University collaboration event – Choosing a course and university – Thursday 20th May, 18:00-19:00

For many students, choosing where and what to study at university is a difficult decision. This collaborative session has been designed to help support those students and help them on their journey. Students will be hearing from higher education professionals from eight different universities and will be able to ask any questions they may have. The session will begin with a short 5-10 minute presentation on choosing a course and university followed by a Q&A for the remaining time. [Book your place now](#)



FREE Oxbridge Application Support For Students

Ever thought about the **University of Oxford**? Maybe you think it is too pretentious for you; maybe you're intimidated by the early UCAS deadline and complex application; or maybe you've not thought about it at all?



At UniPear, we believe Oxford is for everyone, and that includes you! It is our mission to diversify Oxford's student population; we want to encourage students like you to think about applying to Oxford by answering your questions and helping you through the application process.

What is UniPear?

UniPear is a student run organisation that pairs prospective applicants with existing students who have volunteered to act as mentors; mentors can serve a variety of purposes, from answering questions your students might have about Oxford, to helping with personal statements and doing interview preparation.

How can you get involved?

Easy! Click the link below to fill out our Google Form. UniPear is totally free and does not entail any commitment!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeCiBtFQUlwsRwa7i9TuOYedAmXsY4kR81k2eB9awx91IkHYQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

If you need more information, or have any questions for our team, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us at unipearoutreach@gmail.com. We would love to hear from you and we hope you are as excited by this project as we are!

BCU AimhigherPlus Summer Schools 2021

We will be running the following Summer Schools for Year 12 students:

Healthcare Professions - 5 day self-taught programme consisting of a variety of activities, videos, and case studies that will be looking at careers in nursing, midwifery and allied health professions.



Computing - 5 day programme that will be delivered by BCU Academics and Aimhigher staff, there are a variety of activities, live sessions and pre-recorded videos.

Film & VFX - 3 day programme that will be delivered by BCU Academics and Aimhigher staff, there will be a mix of live and pre-recorded videos, a range of activities and demonstrations and students will be given the opportunity to showcase their work to the staff and other participants.

Click the following link to the expression of interest form:
<https://forms.office.com/r/psLeA8iH1G>.



Invitation for Parents: Success Beyond School

Free, expert advice on guiding your son/daughter to a successful career

We are delighted to announce the latest in our Success Beyond School series; free-of-charge, 'Live Online' seminars designed to help parents supercharge their children's career potential.

Tuesday 11th May: Own The Room
Power up your child's public speaking skills; vital for any career

Wednesday 9th June: Success in the City
How to land a top job in the City: law, finance, consultancy and more

These events are for parents of students aged 12-18 and free to attend.
[Register Now](#)



Virtual Fair UK University & Apprenticeship Search

We are pleased to announce our next **UK University & Apprenticeship Search Virtual Fair** will take place on **Wednesday 16th June** between 12 and 6pm (students can login anytime suit)
Students and parents can [register here](#).

The event will feature a multitude of university exhibitors and an updated range of vital webinars, including UCAS Personal Statement, Clearing, Choosing a Course, Degree Apprenticeships, Student Finance and Teacher/Parent support.



Online Resources Samaritans

www.samaritans.org

A charity that offers mental health support and information online for everyone. Their helpline is free and available to all ages. Call 116 123 or email jo@samaritans.org



Childline

www.childline.org.uk



A mental health charity for children and young people that has a wide variety of helpful videos, games and articles. They have a free telephone helpline (0800 1111) and message boards where young people are encouraged to share experiences and support each other in a positive way.

Clear Fear

Clear Fear is an app developed for teenage mental health charity stem4 by Dr Nihara Krause, Consultant Clinical Psychologist, and uses the evidence-based treatment CBT to focus on learning to reduce the physical responses to threat by learning to breathe, relax and be mindful as well as changing thoughts and behaviours and releasing emotions.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 3rd May - Bank Holiday - School closed
Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2021 - Half Term

The school Calendar of events for the forthcoming academic year can be found on the Windsor website www.windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

