

Sixth Form Bulletin

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GENERAL NOTICES

Year 13 Attendance - Final 2 weeks

Year 13 attendance has dropped significantly over the past few weeks. We cannot stress enough how important it is for ALL Year 13 students to be present in school and in lessons before they leave on Thursday 7th May. Please support your child to attend school for all sessions and to make the most of this final run up to A level exams. If your child needs any support with their mental health or well being in general, please contact a member of the Sixth Form team.

Key dates - remainder of academic year

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| Thursday 07/05 | Year 13 Old School Uniform Day (lessons as normal) |
| Friday 08/05 | Year 13 Leavers Assembly |
| Monday 02/06 | Year 12 Summer Assessments for 2 weeks |
| Tuesday 23/06 | Year 12 UCAS Day 1 and UCAS Parent Information Evening (18:00 start) |
| Thursday 25/06 | Year 13 Prom |
| Wednesday 24/06 and Thursday 25/06 | Year 12 UCAS Day 2 and Sports Day Wednesday: 12C, F, G, H (in school) 12 J, M, P, W (sports day) Thursday: 12 J, M, P, W (in school) 12 C, F, G, H (sports day) |
| Thursday 09/07 | Year 12 Emergency Parents Evening (selected students) |
| Thursday 09/07 | Year 12 Report 3 issued |
| w/c Monday 13/07 | Year 12 Work Experience Week |
| Thursday 13/08 | A Level results day |

YEAR 12 NOTICES

Year 12 Executive Team Applications

We are excited to begin the process of appointing our next Head Boy, Girl and Executive team. We have had 26 successful applications from Year 12 students and these students took part in the second round of tasks yesterday, delivering a 2 minute speech. The quality of the speeches was outstanding and it has been incredibly difficult to select the students who we will be taking to the next round. Good luck to all of the students involved and we look forward to appointing our next executive team!

Year 12 External BTEC IT exams

Well done to all Year 12 students who sat their external exams for BTEC this week. Your resilience and hard work and effort over the past 4 days have not gone unnoticed.

Summer Assessments - Monday 1st June to Friday 12th June 2026

Year 12 End of Year assessments will take place between the dates of **Monday 1st June and Friday 12th June 2026**.

Students have already received their summer assessment schedule, which is available on google classroom, and this document also includes topic lists for each subject.

Year 12 Study Leave

During the period that Year 12 students take part in their end of year assessments, they will be granted study leave. This means that during the weeks commencing the 1st and 8th of June, Year 12 students will only need to come into school when they have an exam. For students studying coursework based subjects, attendance in school will be at the discretion of the teacher. This will depend on the progress of their coursework and if they are behind on any work.

On the days when students have an exam, they need to register in the study room at 8:30am for a morning exam and 12:30pm for an afternoon exam.

Work Experience

A reminder that Work Experience will take place from **Monday 13th July to Friday 17th July 2026**. Information has been emailed home to all parents and carers. If you missed it, please click the link [here](#) to access the letter.

Once your child has confirmed their work experience placement, please ensure they complete [this google form](#) to confirm the details.

YEAR 13 NOTICES

Economics Online Intervention Lessons

Mr McDonough will be starting a series of online interventions in the run up to exams. The first one will be this Sunday at 4pm. Please check emails for Google Meet invitations. This opportunity is open to all Economics students.

Prom

We are delighted to announce that over 120 students have purchased a ticket for the Prom on Thursday **25th June** at Venue 5, so it promises to be a great event to celebrate the end of exams and final year at school. A confirmation email to remind you of the event details will be emailed out a week before to students and parents. Please contact Ms Hussain if you have not purchased a ticket, but still wish to do so.

Yearbook

Students need to ensure that they have completed all their individual profiles, as it will be closed and no more edits can be made from Monday. The Student Executive Team is putting the rest of the pages together which will include photo collages from the old uniform day and the leavers' assembly. The yearbook will be available to collect on results day, **Thursday 13th August**, or can be kept in reception for collection in September. As a reminder payments can be made direct to the allyearbooks company. **allyearbooks.co.uk/buy/24902**. Please order as soon as possible. Online orders will now close on **Friday 8th May**.

Old school uniform day - Thursday 7th May

All students in school for normal lessons/ study periods. Please note this is the LAST full day of teaching for all Year 13 students. We will take a whole year group photo at Break 1 by the tennis courts.

Study Leave

Study Leave will begin for all Year 13 students on **Friday 8th May**. Students may continue to use the study room and canteen spaces during their study leave, as long as they sign in and out of the study room and wear Sixth Form standards of dress with their lanyards.

Fancy Dress Leavers' Assembly- Friday 8th May

Students will come into school in fancy dress between 12.15 - 12.30 and meet in the quad, ready to showcase their fantastic attire to the rest of the students. A final assembly will then be held in the hall at 13.00 with refreshments served after. Students will then leave the school site by 14.45.

Hoodies

Hoodies should be available for collection during the first week of May, otherwise they can still be collected on results day.

Summer Exams

The final Summer exam timetable has already been published on the Year 13 Google classroom with an interactive revision planner and is also available to view on the school website [here](#).

Results day

Results day is on Thursday 13th August. Students will be able to come into school between 11.00-12.00 to collect a paper copy of their results.

University (UCAS) Choosing Firm and Insurance offer.

There are three different replies students will make on receiving all offers:

- **Firm acceptance** – this is your first choice.
- **Insurance acceptance** – the back-up choice to a conditional firm acceptance.
- **Decline** – you'll need to decline any other offers you get.

A reminder that students who have received all their offer replies must finalise their Firm and Insurance choices on their UCAS Hub account before **6th May**. A few students who had late offer replies have a later deadline. Students have been emailed an individual reminder to do this, as if they miss the deadline their offers will be automatically declined and they will be placed in clearing.

If any student thinks they have made a choice in error, they must contact UCAS within 14 days of their decision where it might be possible to amend their choices, but this is not guaranteed.

More information and advice can be found on the UCAS website page here [Replying to your offers](#)

University (Student Finance)

All students who are thinking of taking up a university place must apply for student finance on the Government site [here](#) as it can take up to 12 weeks to ensure that tuition fees and maintenance loans are in place for the start of the term. Students will not owe any money if they decide not to go to university.

<https://www.gov.uk/student-finance>

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-online-for-student-finance>

<https://www.ucas.com/finance/undergraduate-tuition-fees-and-student-loans>

YEAR 12 STUDENT LIFE - by Shaina Lakman

At the beginning of the last week on Tuesday, we had a PSHE session on contraception, where we learned about the different types, their effects, and how they work. It was an informative session.

On Thursday we attended an assembly led by Mrs Coyle, who spoke about the importance of voting and shared her experiences of growing up in Northern Ireland during a period of conflict known as “The Troubles”. She explained the tensions between nationalists and unionists and spoke about the Good Friday Agreement and how this had a significant impact on her life. It highlighted the importance of educating ourselves and recognising that when we have the opportunity to vote we should make the most of it.

We are also continuing with Traitors and are now approaching the final few rounds!

VANGUARD LEARNING TRUST AND WHOLE SCHOOL VYNNERS NOTICES

Safeguarding Snapshot

This week's safeguarding snapshot refers to the hidden dangers of Pinterest [click here](#).

VLT Information

Slogan Competition

Oak Farm Primary School joined Vanguard Learning Trust on 1st April 2026. In order to celebrate and acknowledge this, students are invited to take part in a competition to write a slogan; this will be used alongside a new image incorporating all six schools in Trust-wide publications. Please [click here](#) for further information. The deadline for entries is Wednesday 13th May 2026.

