



Sixth Form Bulletin 09.10.20

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Welcome

Thank you for your support this week as we have worked to keep the school fully open in spite of staff shortages. If your child has a timetabled lesson they must attend school as usual unless instructed otherwise. If in doubt, please email Mrs. Lopes. Please ensure that they keep an eye on their emails and on Google Classroom at this uncertain time.

The school is currently celebrating Black History Month through a range of activities and assemblies, led by staff and students. We will be sharing these with the students in the next few weeks.

Face Masks

The majority of students are now complying by wearing face masks, but we are keeping a record of students who still ignore the face mask guidelines. These students will need to attend an after school session where the importance of wearing masks and following school guidelines will be addressed.

Printing

Sixth form students have an automatic £2.00 credit on a printing balance should they need to print a document out. There is a designated printer in room 160. We would politely request that students do not attempt to print to this while a lesson is taking place in the room.

sQuid

The finance office is working hard to ensure that sQuid accounts are being activated so that students can top up to supplement their printing credit, or to purchase food in the canteen. Year 12 biometric cards have now been produced and are being issued to students. These are linked to their sQuid accounts and if lost, a replacement card will cost £3.00

Leaving site

Sixth form students are allowed to leave the site after their last lesson, using the top gate. They must use the sign out sheets on the table by the exit door so that we have an accurate record of who is on site. If they are leaving for any other reason, they must inform Mrs. Lopes.

Tutor/ Parent Information Evening - Year 12 and 13

We hope you were able to watch the Loom videos sent out via email with a link to the school website and you received a call back from your child's tutor if requested via the google form.

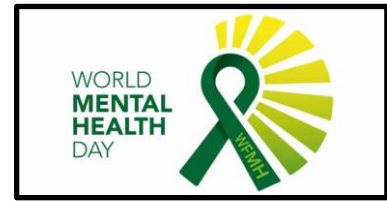
If you have any queries, please do get in touch with your child's year leader.

Careers

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Miss Duran to the Sixth Form Team. She will be working to support students with career advice and personal statement guidance. She has introduced herself to students via their google classroom area.

World Mental Health day

On Friday 9th October, we were delighted to see so many students sporting yellow accessories to support World Mental Health Day which is on the 10th October.



Study room space after school

If any sixth form student feels that they would like to remain in school to study, we are able to allocate some spaces in a computer room after school on Monday and Wednesday from 3.15-4pm. Students should contact their year Leader if they wish to do this.

School Gmail and Google classroom

Please encourage your child to keep up to date by checking their emails and google classroom daily. Each student has been allocated a google classroom for every subject area where work and support materials are regularly posted. Staff also upload study material from most lessons here. Students have access to tutor classrooms where tutorial information is posted and a year group information google area where details of any work experience/ online courses or relevant university information is posted to help their future choices.

Year 12 EPQ (Extended Project Qualification)

A presentation about this has been shared on the school website as part of the parent information evening, with a linked form for students to sign up. Anyone still wishing to start an EPQ must complete the form and email Mr. Mayet, the EPQ coordinator as soon as possible.

Year 12 UCAS early entry information

A PowerPoint presentation has been shared with students this week via their tutor google classrooms. We would urge any student who is thinking of applying to Oxford, Cambridge, Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Science next year to look at this information. Mrs. Cox will be meeting with this group of students after half term.

Year 13 UCAS Personal statements

We urge you to please communicate with your child regarding their personal statements and upcoming applications to UCAS. Following next weeks early entry deadline (Thursday 15th October) we will be inviting those students who are ready to apply to UCAS to make an appointment with the 6th form team. We urge students NOT to wait until January, and to make their applications as soon as possible.

University applications (UCAS) key dates

- UCAS application deadline for Oxbridge/ Medicine. Veterinary/ Dentistry
Thursday 15th October 2020
- Internal school application deadline for all other applicants
Friday 23rd October 2020
- UCAS application deadline for all other applicants
Friday 15th January 2021