



Sixth Form Bulletin 8th October 2021

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Weekly Quote

"The strongest people are those who win battles we know nothing about."

Hello Yellow Charity Day - Youth Mental Health Awareness

Mrs Coyle, ably assisted by members of the year 13 student leadership team led whole school assemblies this week to promote strategies to enable students to support each other and equally know where to turn to for support.

Thank you to all of our leadership students in Year 12 and 13 who also organised a cake sale at breaktime to raise money for Young Minds. It was a fantastic team effort on the day and great to see our school community come together to raise awareness of mental health.

Links to trusted websites offering support and guidance to our students have been added to both student information rooms. We encourage students and parents to seek support and guidance from the Sixth Form team when needed.

Tutor Information evenings

We hope you found the Tutor Information Evening helpful. The video presentations can still be accessed on the school website [here](#).

Year 13 Trial Exams

These will take place between **Tuesday 30th November and 16th December 2021**. All exams will take place in the afternoon. Details of topics to be included will be issued next week.

Year 13 University Applications and Post-16 plans

Students had an assembly on Thursday morning reminding them of key information and dates. The information slides are on their year google classroom area to access. Information has also been shared during tutorial time regarding other pathways such as apprenticeships.

Vaccinations.

A huge thank you to the sixth form students who willingly offered their time to support the NHS staff with queue control to enable vaccinations to take place. Their help was invaluable.

Student Volunteers Needed

Sixth Form Open Evening will take place for current Y11 students on **Tuesday 2nd November 2021** between **17:00 and 19:00**. Sign up sheets to volunteer as a guide will be in the study room.

Covid Testing

Please remember that students should still be testing and recording a negative result twice a week.

A Level Exams Summer 2022: The latest guidance regarding the summer 2022 exams can be read here: [Decisions: proposed changes to the assessment of GCSEs, AS and A levels in 2022](#). A summary of key information relating to A Level subjects is below:

- All A level subjects will be given advance information about the focus of the content in the exam. This will be issued by 7th February 2022 and is intended to support student revision.
- Art will be assessed on the portfolio only
- Science - CPAC can be assessed across the minimal number of practical activities
- Advance information will be given for any students resitting English / Maths GCSEs in November.
- Grade boundaries will be adjusted to be midway between 2021 and 2019 in order to be 'as fair as possible' to students and to provide a 'safety net' for students.
- This guidance is to be read alongside the [Arrangements for non-exam assessment for qualifications in 2022](#) which was updated in June 2021.