

Sixth Form Bulletin



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Remembrance service

On Thursday, the whole school came together outside in the quad to mark Remembrance Day. Well done and thank you to our wonderful 13 students, Kika Bedborough who read "For the Fallen" by Laurence Binyon so eloquently and to Joseph Saunders for his fantastic trumpet rendition of the 'Last Post'.

Uniform

The majority of our students have embraced the uniform policy of wearing smart business attire and adhere to the Sixth Form dress code. However, we have been seeing some students wearing clothes that are not appropriate. We would like to remind parents and carers that skirts should be just above the knee and no bodycon material is allowed. If we feel a student's uniform isn't appropriate, they will be sent home to change. If you have any questions regarding what is suitable for your child to wear, please contact a member of the Sixth Form team. You can read the full policy [here](#)

Year 13 Parents' Evening- Thursday 11th November

We hope that the appointments ran smoothly for everyone. Please contact us if you experienced any problems or have any questions.

Year 13 Revision support

Students received two revision presentations during tutorial time this week prepared by Mrs Harvey, Mr Babra and Mrs Holt. The sessions were packed with great tips and advice to support students in the lead up to the trial exams. Resources from these sessions have been posted on the year 13 google classroom area.

Year 13 PHSE session with Dr Van Der Spoel

We are very fortunate that Dr Van der Spoel, an Educational Psychologist who has worked with over 10,000 students, is visiting us next week to work with year 13 to aid their trial exam preparation. **Tuesday 16th November** period 5, all Year 13 students will attend a presentation in the hall. We expect all students to attend, therefore there is no study leave granted on this afternoon. **Friday 19th November** Year 13 students have been sent a google form today to sign up to a one hour workshop of their choice during the day.

Year 13 university mock interview practice

Last week, we arranged mock interview practice for students who have applied to Oxbridge or Medicine courses with Professor Hinson from Barts and The London (QMUL) school of medicine and dentistry.

One of our students said:

"It was a great opportunity to prepare for future interviews and also helped to boost my confidence".

If there are any parents who would be interested in helping to prepare students with interview practice in the future, or have useful contacts, please get in touch with us.

Year 13 Trial Exams

These will take place between **Tuesday 30th November and 16th December 2021**. Most exams will take place in the afternoon. [Exam timetable](#) and revision [hints and topics](#) can be found on the school website under Exams. Any students with an exam clash will be given individual timetables.

Students can continue to use the study room and available free rooms around exams and any lessons that they are required to attend during this time. The LRC will be used as an exam venue so will not be available to sixth form students as a room to use in study periods. Please see the document attached to the email for Study Leave arrangements. **Please note some students might be expected to attend compulsory intervention studies during study leave and will be informed individually by their teachers**

Covid -19

Students should still be testing and recording a negative result twice a week. Unless exempt, students must wear a mask as soon as they enter the building or leave a classroom to enter a corridor and the canteen queue.

Canteen

Sixth form students currently have the privilege of using the canteen area to use as a collaborative study area whilst being able to purchase drinks and food. We have been alarmed at the lack of manners and respect shown to the canteen staff in the past week, by students not clearing up after themselves, after being requested to and even leaving chromebooks behind! This facility may be withdrawn if this behaviour continues.

Diary

- **Link to school events calendar** [Calendar](#)
- **Link to term dates** [Term Dates](#)

	Details	Dates
Year 13 PHSE session P5	Dr Van der Spoel, Educational Psychologist presentation	Tuesday 16th November P5
Year 13 PHSE workshops	Dr Van der Spoel, Educational Psychologist presentation	Friday 19th November P1-5
Staff Training days	School closed to students	Thursday 25th and Friday 26th November
Occasional Day holiday	School closed in lieu of Queen's jubilee holiday	Monday 29th November
Year 13 Exams	On school website under exams	Tuesday 30th November - Thursday 16th December

Last day of Autumn Term	Finish at lunchtime	Friday 17th December
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