



‘God is our refuge and strength, and ever-present help in distress. Therefore, we fear not, though the earth may be shaken, and mountains plunge into the depths of the sea.’ Responsorial psalm 46: 2-3,5-6

Key Stage 5 Weekly Bulletin: Week ending Friday 12th November 2021

This week's news and reminders

Lateral flow tests: these will need to **continue** until further notice. Please remember to test twice weekly on a Sunday and a Wednesday evening. Please ask for a new box if you need one.

Extended Project catch up lessons: Mrs Harris is running EP catch up lessons in the LRC every Tuesday after school from 3.30 – 4.30 pm. The sessions are starting today and are available to all students from any EP class.

A few dates for your diaries:

- Thursday 18 November – Sixth Form Parents' Evening (online via TEAMS)
- Tuesday 30th November – tutor group and whole sixth form photographs
- Monday 17th Jan to Friday 21st inc: Y13 mock exams
- Monday July 4th to Friday July 8th inc: year 12 work experience

New items have been highlighted in pink. Please refer to previous weeks' bulletins for more ideas you can explore.

Year 13: to do list

1. **UCAS application:**
 - Create a short list on UNIFROG – whether it is a university or an apprenticeship shortlist, this will help you think more clearly about your future. This helps the reference writers to know what you are looking at studying or training for after sixth form.
 - BTEC number for UCAS application – Please ask Mrs Ellul for your number.
 - You don't need a ULN number on your UCAS application as there is no asterisk in this field.
 - Entering choices on your UCAS application helps your teachers and form tutor to write your reference linked to the course you are applying for.
2. **engineering training and apprenticeships**, unlocking potential, kick-starting careers and helping experienced engineers upskill and advance. For more info, visit: <https://www.mgts.co.uk/>

YEAR 12: to do list

1. **Year 12 Work Experience** will take place this year from Monday 4th to Friday 8th July. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to encounter the world of work, explore job sectors you may like to work in in the future and gain valuable experiences to be able to write about in your personal statements. In previous years students have gained work experience in education, law, technology, business, finance and more. Many students have even travelled abroad to undertake their work experience! Aim high and apply to as many companies as possible. Please complete and return the attached form as soon as possible

2. The Cambridge University Sixth Form **Law Conference** was founded over forty years ago to give Year 12 students who may be interested in studying Law at degree level a balanced view of the Law, both as an academic subject and as a profession, and also to offer an insight into life as a Cambridge undergraduate. www.cambridgesixthformlawconference.com
3. **Robinson College Access Programme:** Robinson College at Cambridge University are running an online scheme aimed at preparing students for university. The Year 12 strand will focus on academically-selective universities: what it's like to study at them, preparing to apply for these universities, and support in developing study skills and subject interests." The programme is for UK state school students. You can sign up here https://cambridge.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9RDbdraRHqOD7cG until 17th December.
4. **InvestIn Summer Experiences:** Immersive activities, site visits, 1:1 career coaching and networking sessions; all tailor-made for ages 12-18. Students simply cannot find this anywhere else. Highlights include:
 - **Law:** Argue a human rights case in the Supreme Court
 - **Investment Banking:** Trade the stock market in a City skyscraper
 - **Engineering:** Explore a Boeing jet with aerospace engineers
 - **Medicine:** Shadow doctors in a London teaching hospital
 - **Psychology:** Attend clinical patient consultations
 - **Tech:** Experience robotics and artificial intelligence
 - Places are highly limited. Students can use code SUMMER15 for 15% off before December 31st. Watch this introductory video: [InvestIn Education](#)

Everyone to do list!

1. **Get Revising** brings you ongoing revision techniques on [How to study effectively](#)
2. **Earn while you learn:** Apprenticeships virtual careers fair featuring 30 national employers from 6th to 10th October – check it out at [Careers fair](#)
3. **A reading treat:** Short, insightful articles which draw on current scholarship, often on really eclectic subjects. Recent articles include Architecture in James Bond films, the physics behind Karate and solar-powered sea slugs. Ideal for Y10 - Y12 students who are looking for simple, short starting points to explore their interests! <https://daily.jstor.org/>
4. **Super-curricular suggestions:** Strong applicants to competitive universities tend to have explored their chosen subject through wider reading outside the classroom, as well as doing very well in their GCSEs and A-levels. We call this sort of exploration 'super-curricular', as it builds on and enhances what you are studying in school. We do not expect you to pay for this sort of exploration and have endeavoured to provide resources that are mostly freely available. [Podcasts, Articles, Films](#)

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