



Lord, we know you are with us today in this place. Open our eyes, open our hearts, teach us to see and feel that we are not alone, that you are with us in all we do, embracing us with your love and your care.

Key Stage 5 Weekly Bulletin: Week ending Friday 7th Jan 2022

This week's news and reminders

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a good and well-earned rest; it is great to see you back and starting 2022 with a smile! This will be a busy term for you all as you prepare for assessments and start to confirm our decisions for what happens at the end of the year. It is great to see that you have started with such positivity. We especially welcome Mrs Russell who has started this term as the new permanent LRC Manager and Sixth Form Administrator.

She will be in the library from 9 – 5 Monday – Thursday

9 – 4:30 Friday

All LRC facilities will be available to the students until 15 minutes before the LRC closes each day. I know you will make her feel welcome, in fact you already are, thank you.

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. Boxes are available in the LRC

Unifrog is running [Skills & Enterprise Week](#) from 31st January to 4th February. There is the chance to win a grant to run your own enterprising event at school, would Lord Sugar hire you? They also have lots of resources and information available to boost your employability. Click the link and boost your potential earnings!

Careers interviews: We are pleased to tell you that the careers adviser is in school weekly and available for one-to-one careers interviews. Students who would like an appointment with them should e mail Mrs Harris and ask her to book them in. Once you have booked an appointment please make sure you attend!

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 available to all students from any EP class.

A few dates for your diaries:

- Friday 14th Jan Inset day. No students in school.
- Monday 17th Jan to Friday 21st inclusive: Y13 mock exams
- Friday 18th February School closed to all staff and pupils. Holiday in lieu of June Queen's Jubilee bank holiday.
- Thursday 30th June – Year 13 Prom. Make sure you sign up by Wednesday 12th January.
Don't miss the chance to celebrate this milestone!!
- Monday July 4th to Friday July 8th inclusive: year 12 work experience

LRC changes: Other year groups will once again be allowed to come and use the LRC during 1st break and Lunchtime.

While Covid is still by no means letting us get back to the halcyon days of 2019, the LRC is returning to an area specifically to aid study. We are so grateful to the students for their adaptability and showing such respect and consideration for each other.

Year 13: to do list

- **Year 13 Mocks are almost upon you!** Make the most of your time by using the revision timetable emailed out to you before the holidays, paper copies are available in the LRC. If you need any advice or guidance make sure you ask; there are people and resources waiting to help you!
- **UCAS applications and Personal statements:** After you get acknowledgement that your UCAS application has reached the universities, you can still make some changes to your application:

If you find any errors in the education section, you can change them on:

<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/after-you-apply/making-changes-your-ucas-undergraduate-application>

There is also a 14-day cooling off period for course changes.

- Please ensure you are following up with Mrs Ellul. And remember it's not too late to start the application process, you'll be cutting it fine, but it is still possible to keep all your options open.
- JDE recruiting apprenticeships open in Banbury now: [Banbury Apprenticeships](#)

YEAR 12: to do list

- **Taster webinars from Unitaster:** These webinars allow students to find out more about what to expect on university courses, why they may wish to consider them, application tips and careers. There are 100's of subject introductions available. [Search all webinars](#).

Everyone to do list!

- [How to study effectively](#) Follow the link to access practical tips, techniques and resources that will help.

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