

WALLINGFORD SCHOOL SIXTH FORM NEWS

Term 1, Week 5.
6th October 2023

Dear Year 12 and 13,

We are proud of the fact that our 6th form has a significant role to play in the wider school. The subject ambassadors programme, the peer supporters & student leadership team are but 3 examples of how 6th form students make a positive contribution to students in Year 7-11.

Elsewhere, we would like to thank our 6th form students who helped to make such a positive contribution towards the MacMillan Cake Sale. Everybody in Sixth Form enjoyed all of the delicious baked goods.

Have a great weekend!
6F Team



Parent notice

Notifying student absences

Please email sixthform@wallingfordschool.com to report any student absence i.e sickness, medical appointment and to request time off for any reason e.g. Driving test, University open days etc...

EVENTS COMING UP

Week Commencing 9th October:

Wednesday 11th October - Yr 13 EPO sessions P1 and 2 in K16

Year 12 EPO session P6 in B7

Wednesday 11th October - Sixth Form open evening

PSE Friday 13th October:

Year 12 - Using phones properly

Year 13 - UCAS/Next steps

Upcoming dates:

End of Term 1 - Wednesday 18th October

INSET days for staff - Thursday 19th and Friday 20th October

Year 13 Parents Evening - Thursday 2nd November



We wish a very '**Happy Birthday**' to Martha, Bronte and Lauren

We also wish a very '**Happy 18th Birthday**' to Francesca and Elliott

KAHOOT!

This weeks Kahoot winners are:

1st - Will 13 NJO

2nd - Lewis and Max 13GS

3rd - Elliot

12 EMC/KWR

Please see
Mrs G-B for
your prize!



GNOMINATION

This week's gnominations go to two students who have been noticed for their participation in the wider school community.

Charell in Year 12 for taking an active role during the International Day of Languages and supporting other students learning their chosen language and supporting the set up of this weeks cake sale.

Emily G in Year 13 for working hard to ensure her UCAS application is all ready to submit. Gned and Gnora are gnover the moon for you!



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

The Social Committee hosted their first event in the Sixth Form common room at break time today. A huge amount of delicious baked goods were bought in for all the staff and students to purchase. Thank you all for your generosity. If you would still like to make a donation then the JustGiving page is still active by scanning the QR code.



OKTOBERFEST PUB QUIZ

Some of our A-Level German students attended on Oktoberfest-themed Pub Quiz at Radley College with other German students from schools in Oxfordshire. We ate a German meal in the dining hall at Radley and then took part in various German games and fun including a singalong of '99 Luftballons'

Mrs McGarrick, Head of MFL



EPQ NOTICE

If you have signed up to complete the EPQ it is imperative that you attend the allocated sessions on Wednesdays. If you are looking to withdraw from the EPQ, please speak to a member of the Sixth Form team.



6-A-SIDE FOOTBALL

A great start to our 6-a-side football league in Sixth Form. All the teams had a great first outing. We look forward to seeing which team comes out on top!

Matches are played Fridays at 3:15pm on the Astro.

Please remember correct footwear.

WALLINGFORD SCHOOL LIVE LOUNGE

Live Lounge on Monday 20th November in K1.

There is an opportunity for singers across all year groups to perform in this year's Live Lounge. If you would like to perform a solo or duet at this event please contact Beatrice Marshall by emailing 7209bmar@wallingfordschool.com

For those who would not like to perform, tickets will be sold at the door so come along and support the talent. The live lounge will start at 6:30pm and end by 8:00pm. All the profits will go towards this year's school musical – The Addams Family!

SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING - HELP NEEDED PLEASE

The date for our 6th Form Open Evening for prospective students is this coming Wednesday 11th October 6-8pm. We are in need of some 6th form helpers for this event. For anyone who is able to help, we will provide pizza in the common room at 5pm. Roles for the evening will mostly involve guiding families from other schools around school site & speaking with families about your experiences of 6th form. If you are able to help then please let Ms Mummery know. This would be much appreciated.

UCAS EARLY ENTRY DEADLINE

16 October 2023 for 2024 entry at 18:00 (UK time) – any course at the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, or for most courses in medicine, veterinary medicine/science, and dentistry. You can add choices with a different deadline later, but don't forget you can only have five choices in total.

LUNCHTIME GATES

A reminder that the gates at lunch are locked promptly at 1:20pm. They are manned by staff who need to be in classrooms for the afternoon sessions. Those students who continue to be late for the gate risk not being allowed off site.

**THE SCHOOL SITE IS A
VAPE FREE
ZONE**



EXTRA-CURRICULAR



Debating/MUN Club: This week's debate....

This week we will be moving to a MUN style resolution.

The topic is Climate Change, with the focus on provisions for green energy and transport options.

If you would like to join the discussion, please email jonesn@wallingfordschool.com and I will send you the resolution and debating guide. You will then need to choose a country to represent and start researching your new views and position on Climate Change

Remember: You don't have to debate your own opinions; it is more fun when you can add a different argument to the mix!

Wednesday Lunch 12:45 – 13:20 in K7 (bring your lunch for a swift start). Everyone welcome.

Social Committee – Meeting at 12:50pm in W7 on Wednesdays to discuss this year's social calendar. We are also looking for some students to run a Tuck Shop so if you are interested, please come along to this meeting.

6-a-side football – Your weekly chance to blow off some steam and bring the Premier League to Wallingford. Bring your sports kits and meet on the Astro at 3:10pm finish time 4pm.

Decibels – Wallingford School senior choir meet on Tuesday lunchtimes in K3

Saxophone group – meet Wednesday lunchtimes in K2

String group – meet on Thursday lunchtimes in K2

If there is a club that you are interested in starting please let a member of the Sixth Form team know.

EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Solicitor Apprenticeship Webinar

This insightful webinar with Dentons on **21st November from 18:30-19:15** is for Year 10-13 students who are interested in a career in law, and will inform them about what a solicitor apprenticeship is and how the programme works.

Sign up here: https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/ea518936-7e53-435a-997b-48f70a0b6519@182a8b31-3dab-4b92-8bb8-9526911aeba0?goal=0_65c6d67e71-bc06ecb9ec-212103364&mc_cid=bc06ecb9ec&mc_eid=884a42d907

Early Career Programmes and Apprenticeships in Horse Racing

Have you ever thought about a career in the horseracing industry? There are various career paths you can take, some of which you may never have even thought about and a wide range of training available to support you on your journey.

Foundation training at racing schools, the National Horseracing College and the British Racing School leads to completing an apprenticeship in a racing yard, which allows you to work hands-on with horses.

There is also an option for those that want to work with horses but maybe don't want to ride. The National Stud offers an Entry to Stud Employment Course for those with no experience handling horses, leading to a role in the breeding industry.

If media interests you, then there is the Racing Media Academy who provide students with work experience and training at some of the largest media companies within Horseracing. This involves a one-week course at the British Racing School, followed by a paid placement in one of the many racing media outlets. Applications are invited in November.

<https://careersinracing.com/early-careers-programmes-apprenticeships/>

Youth Football Fixture Referees

Watlington Town Football Club is looking for Referees for their Youth Fixtures. Payment is provided and this may suit 6th form students who are qualified referees or those interested in starting their refereeing career. Please contact cath.chamberline@gmail.com if interested.

Careermag

The latest edition of Careermag is now available. It contains expert guides, tips and advice to support young people on post 16 and 18 options, money, UCAS and more.

<https://careermag.co.uk/career-advice/careermag/for-parents-guardians>

University Guide 2023-2024

The Success at School University Guide 2023-2024 is now available to download. It covers everything from UCAS to accommodation, to studying abroad and includes expert, first-hand advice from universities and employers.

<https://mc.successatschool.org/university23>