

Wallingford School Sixth Form News

Term 5, Week 6: 24th May 2024

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6th Form



A message from the 6f team:

As we draw to the end of Term 5, Year 13 are fully into the swing of their public exams. The students are acquitting themselves superbly and we wish them well for the exams coming up after half term.

Meanwhile, Year 12 have been keeping busy. Students were out on the astro enjoying cricket and football for Wellness Wednesday and the newly appointed Head Students attended a Digital Wellbeing Conference at the Merchant Taylors in London - their first seminar as representatives of the student body. We look forward to hearing about this trip.

We wish you all a pleasant and restful half term break.

The 6th Form Team

Events coming up:

Week Commencing 3rd June

Friday 7th June: Booster Session – ‘Hour we going to do this?’ – Time management, organisation etc.

PSE

Y12: *Pride*

Events coming up:

- Y12 Access Leaving Date: *Mon June 10th (break- W1)*
- Y13 Books for Year Books Day – *Fri June 21st*
- Y13 Leavers Ball: *Friday 21st June*
- Y12 Mock exams – *Mon 24th June – Tues 2nd July*
- Parents’ Higher Education Evening – *Mon 24th June 6pm Main Hall*
- Y12 Futures Week – *w/c 8 July including trip to Nottingham University – 10th & 11th July*

Important information & News



We wish a Happy Birthday to Douglas, Hamish, Hope, Teddy, Sophie, Samuel S, Samuel J, Thomas and Will.

We wish a Happy 18th Birthday to Peter, Emily, Jennifer, Ben, Anna, Quinn, Katie, Alissa, Jessie, Jack and Sean.



Revision Sessions

These take place from 3-5pm in the 6th Form Study Room on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and are open to both Year 13 and Year 12. We encourage you to attend to chip away at your revision timetable.

Lanyards

For safeguarding purposes and to ensure that attendance is being recorded accurately, it is essential that students and staff are wearing lanyards at all times when in school. Thank you for your cooperation.

Year 13 Leaver’s Hoodies & Year Book



The final order has now been submitted for Year Books and Hoodies and will be available for collection on Friday 21st June.



Year 13 Lessons, Exams and Results

Year 13 should be continuing to attend lessons and revision session for their subjects until the last exam in that subject has been taken. We are planning excellent revision lessons to help you to prepare and complement your individual revision.

Communication has been sent out with lots of information about revision sessions, exams and the results process. Please read this very carefully!

Year 12 Assembly – Getting ready for Term 6

This morning students were given their exam timetables and an assembly about how to approach revision and the exams. Mr Harpin has put the powerpoint on Satchel.

They were also reminded of the dress code as we (hopefully) move into warmer weather next term:

- No uniform doesn't mean no dress code.
- This is a place of work and a school with students from 11-16 who wear a uniform.
- We choose not to have a strict dress code or ask 6th formers to wear business dress and we are happy for students to show their individuality in what they wear.
- We believe that behaviour and attitude are different depending on what you wear and if your clothes are too casual, your approach to your work may also be too casual. This is why we have a dress code.
- Our dress code is written in your student agreement.
- *There is no uniform in the Sixth Form. The guideline is that what you wear should be appropriate for school. We may draw the line at extremes of fashion or at clothing considered more appropriate in a night club or at the beach, for example. In lessons, no outdoor clothing should be worn, e.g. hats, coats, gloves or scarves.*
- What is meant by more appropriate at a nightclub or a beach?



- Headwear should not be worn indoors (unless for religious or medical reasons). This includes hoods.
- Writing or logos on clothes should not be offensive.
- Tops should be worn at all times and must not be strapless.
- Tops should not have a low cut neckline so that the chest area is covered, nor should they have wide armholes that expose the torso.
- Tops should be long enough to cover stomach and bottoms should be high enough to cover underwear.
- All bottoms should be at least in line with your hands when standing upright.
- There are footwear rules in certain lessons due to health and safety issues. Generally speaking comfortable flat footwear is advised but sliders and flip flops are too casual.
- Lanyards should be worn at all times. Air pods/earphones/headphones should not.



Parents of Year 12

The letter will have been sent out today regarding the Nottingham trip in July. Please can you respond with consent/payment by **5th June**.

Year 13 Lockers

To Year 13 students with a locker. It is that time of year when Exams are looming and you will be leaving soon. Please can you make sure that your locker is emptied and cleaned by the time you complete your last exam. The padlock is yours to keep but you can hand it in to me if your do not need it.

Current Affairs Kahoot This Week

Well done to the following for making the podium of this week's current affairs Kahoot quiz:

1st Place – 4680 Kazimierz 12LMU

Please see **Mr Harpin** for your prize!

Booster Sessions

To support students in the run up to the exams, the 6th form team are running three booster sessions. Please sign up by talking to your tutor, or on the sheets in the 6th Form Office.

Friday 7th June – 9.20 – 9.50

Session 1 - 'Hour we going to do this!?'

- Planning your time/planning ahead
- Organising notes/materials
- Meeting deadlines

Friday 14th June – 9.20 – 9.50

Session 2 - 'Just do it'

- Being productive with your time
- Good revision tips/study habits
- Getting ahead with revision now

Friday 21st June – 9.20 – 9.50

Session 3 'Exam savvy'

- Exam technique/being savvy - prioritising high mark questions etc.
- Exam prep
- Using concessions

Digital Wellbeing Conference

We look forward to hearing more about the conference in London which was attended by our Head Students, Archie and Emily.



Useful Opportunities

The Medic Portal Webinars

www.themedicportal.com/application-guide/get-into-medical-school/events

The Medic Portal runs a series of free webinars to help with the application process for medicine (including UCAT and preparing for Interviews). They are holding a 'Pathways to Medicine' webinar on **30th May at 18:00** for students who have not yet secured a place.



Music Producer Insight Event



www.bimm.ac.uk/events/a-day-in-the-life-of-a-music-producer-22-05-2024

BIMM are holding a virtual 'day in the life of a music producer' insight on **22nd May from 18:00-19:30**, where students can hear industry professionals, successful alumni and lecturers sharing their experience, career trajectories and invaluable advice for aspiring music producers.

Royal Signals Apprenticeships



[Link to register](#)



Join this webinar on **18th June at 15:30** to learn more about the range of apprenticeship opportunities available within the Royal Signals and to hear from inspiring soldiers about their career journey, what their apprenticeships involve and why they chose an apprenticeship with the Army.

UCAS Initiatives to Break Down Barriers

www.ucas.com/corporate/news-and-key-documents/news/ucas-announces-new-initiatives-encourage-students-low-income-families-apply-university

UCAS has announced a package of initiatives aimed at students who may overlook university due to financial concerns or doubts about meeting entry requirements. The initiatives include scholarships, grants, or assistance to alleviate the financial burden for prospective students. Additional workshops, advice sessions and online resources could also be provided to help students understand entry requirements and the pathways to higher education more clearly.

BIMM Music Institute Open Events

www.bimm.ac.uk/open-days

BIMM Music Institute colleges are holding undergraduate open days during **June and July** where students can watch live performances from BIMM bands, hear from current students, learn about the courses and facilities and find out how studying at BIMM can help them forge a career in the music industry.

University Open Days

Please find below the list of all University Open Days for the month of June.

<https://bit.ly/june-opendays>

There are over 100 Open Days in June so you will have plenty of options to choose from.

Not going to Uni?



For students interested in alternative avenues to University you may find this podcast useful with ideas for Apprenticeships and Employment.

