

Wallingford School Sixth Form News

Term 6, Week 3: 21st June 2024

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6th Form



A message from the 6f team:

As some of our lovely Year 13 finished their exams today on the final day of the exam season, they were applauded by Year 5 parents visiting the school! We will also be applauding them this evening as we celebrate at the Leavers' Ball. Meanwhile, Year 12 are keeping the exams staff and invigilators busy over the next 7 school days as they sit their end of year exams. We wish them the very best of luck and look forward to seeing them show what they know as we mark the papers.

I look forward to welcoming Year 12 parents to our Higher Education Evening at 6pm on Monday 24th June, where there will also be some information about Futures Week.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

The 6th Form Team

Events coming up:

Week Commencing 24th June

- Y12 Mock exams – *Mon 24th June – Tues 2nd July*
- Parents' Higher Education Evening – *Mon 24th June 6pm Main Hall*
- Founders Day (Invite Only) – *Thursday 27th June*

PSE

Y12: *Revision*

Events coming up:

- Y12 Mock Election Hustings – *Wed 3rd & Thurs 4th*
- DofE Gold Expedition – *4th -8th July*
- Y12 Futures Week – *w/c 8 July including trip to Nottingham University – 10th & 11th July*

Important information & News



We wish a Happy Birthday to Mai. We wish a Happy 18th Birthday to Callum.



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.

Time off for Driving lessons/Theory & Practical tests

Driving lessons & Theory tests

Please arrange for these to be taken out of school hours we do not authorise time off for these.

Driving Practical test

We are able to authorise time off for the practical test.

Parents of Year 12

Medical forms for the Nottingham trip need to be handed in immediately.

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 you do not need it.

Higher Education Evening- Monday 24th June 6pm

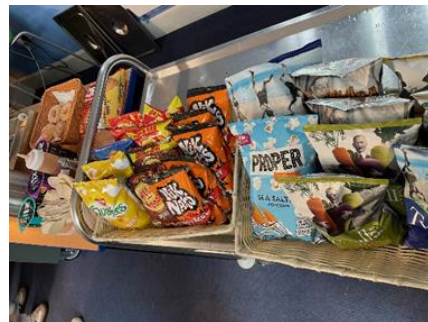
Just a reminder to all Year 12 parents that you are invited to attend a meeting about the process of applying to university, UCAS, how to support your child over the coming months and the messages that they will be given during Futures Week. This will be in the Main Hall at 6pm on Monday 24th June and will take about 45 minutes. We look forward to seeing you there (students need not attend). Any questions, please do email sixthform@wallingfordschool.com

6th Form Canteen Competition

As you will have seen, our catering manager has opened up a new service point in the sixth form block, serving snacks and meals at break and lunch. It has proved popular and so, although it is going to disappear for a little while from Wednesday to the end of term (due to exams and Futures Week), it will be back in September with, hopefully a personalised look. We would like suggestions for the kind of food you would like to see at this serving point – just email lunatabuaa@wallingfordschool.com and we will collate them and send them on.

We would also like a name for the area to give it more of an identity as a 6th Form Café. It would be great if the name could come from the student body so please have a think and send your suggestions to lunatabuaa@wallingfordschool.com Those of you with creative, language or business minds may well want to go into Marketing and here is your first opportunity to test your skills and, literally, have your name in lights – your chosen café name, that is! And just to prove that there is such a thing as a free lunch, the prize is....a free lunch!

Please send your entries in by **Friday 5th July**.



Year 12 Mock Exams



As we have communicated in assemblies in recent weeks, Year 12 will have study leave over their mock exam period. (Monday 24th June – Tuesday 2nd July). Over this period, students are not expected in form times, study periods or A Level lessons. For BTEC lessons, subject teachers will let students know if they are expected to attend.

Whereas students are not expected to be in school, they are of course more than welcome to come and use the study rooms in school over this period. We ask that students sign in if they are doing this for housekeeping purposes.

Year 12 Apprenticeship

Anyone in Year 12 hoping to go down the Apprenticeship path, please can you notify Mr Harpin of your intentions by Monday 24th June, 2024

Book for Book Exchange



Following Friday's final exam, it was great to see our Year 13 back for the penultimate time to give in textbooks in return for Yearbooks and Leaver's Hoodies. A huge thank you to Mr Harpin and the student group who have produced such a wonderful Yearbook. Many students said that it hasn't sunk in that exams are now all finished, though a fun evening at tonight's Leaver's Ball should help remedy that!



Mock Election

The Year 12 will be holding their own hustings on Wednesday 3rd July with a mock election on Thursday 4th July. We look forward to hearing the students' voice.

Current Affairs Kahoot This Week

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

1 st Place - 5394	Lucas	12TP
2 nd Place - 5358	Nathan	12LMU
3 rd Place - 5327	Ben	12DBO

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

Useful Opportunities

BBC 'Get In' Taster Days

https://careers.bbc.co.uk/content/EC_Get-In/?locale=en_GB

Get In Taster Days are a great way for **students aged 16-18** to find out more about life at the BBC and the opportunities they have on offer. They give attendees first-hand experience of their local BBC base and the kind of work they might be doing there if they apply for one of the BBC's apprenticeships. At a 'Get In' Taster Day, students will have the chance to:

- Learn about the media industry and a professional workplace environment
- Find out about the wide range of job roles we have to offer
- Develop some hands-on skills
- Spend time in a BBC studio
- Have a closer look at their apprenticeship application process and get some tips for applying.

Students can complete an [expression of interest form](#) to register their interest for the BBC location that is nearest to them or most easily reached.

Language Miracles Workshops

Our friendly team of Modern and Medieval Language tutors at St Edmund Hall invites A-Level students to join us for a series of four interactive workshop exploring the miraculous nature of words and the people, periods and places opened up to us by the study of other languages, literature and cultures.

Content covered will range from medieval Spanish poetry to a 19th century Russian classic novel, and from early-modern French short stories to political pamphlets written and distributed clandestinely in Nazi Germany.

You will develop critical reading skills while broadening your knowledge understanding of other cultures and time periods. You will practise your translation skills into English from familiar and new languages. You will be encouraged to communicate your ideas in a supportive environment and introduced to new avenues for future reading and research.

Benefits of participating:

- *Experience an Oxbridge tutorial*
- *Learn more about the languages courses at Oxford*
- *Develop skills and confidence to study languages at university*
- *Meet others interested in studying languages*
- *Hear from current Oxford University languages students*
- *Strengthen your UCAS personal statement and interview skills*

Each workshop will take place using Microsoft Teams. The workshops are interactive, and we encourage you to turn on your microphones and videos. This is not to judge you or make you feel exposed, but to help make everyone – including the tutors! – more comfortable, as well as allow you to get more out of the workshop.

Register here [Language Miracles Workshops | St Edmund Hall \(ox.ac.uk\)](#)

Oxford Biomedica Employment Opportunities

Oxford Biomedica are currently recruiting for some school leaver permanent job opportunities which would suit 6th form or equivalent school leavers interested in a career in science or working in a laboratory. There are vacancies in two different departments:

Scientific Assistant – Process Development (2 positions)

<https://careers.oxb.com/job-invite/1916>

Scientific Assistant – Analytical Development (1 position)

<https://careers.oxb.com/job-invite/1859>

If you would like more information to support any student that may be interested, Colin Grugeon, Talent Acquisition Business Partner, would be happy to support an initial discussion prior to application. Contact Colin at c.grugeon@oxb.com

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.

