

# Wallingford School Sixth Form News

Term 2, Week 4: 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2024

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6<sup>th</sup> Form



## A message from the 6f team:

Year 12 were listening to Handel's Messiah on the way into assembly this morning and as I write the Social Committee are playing Christmas classics whilst getting tangled up in fairy lights and sparkly things, which means that the festive season is upon us.

As we draw towards the last three weeks of term, there is plenty of opportunity to self-reflect on the start to either Year 12 or Year 13 and consider any tweaks - or radical changes - in habits for the new year. Year 12 have a feedback evening on Thursday and both year groups will be looking over Progress Checks with tutors on Friday and using that information to help them to carve out a plan of action!

Wishing you an active or relaxing weekend, as you prefer!

## Events coming up:

### Week Commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Livery Awards Heat – **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

Winter Wonderland Trip – **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

Y12 Feedback Evening – **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

### PSE

**Y12& 13: Progress Reflection**

### Events coming up:

Y12 German Exchange – **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

Y12 Food Mock Exam – **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Y12 Drama Performance – **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Ball - **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

## Important information & News



We wish a Happy Birthday to Zach, Eva, Bethan and Ollie.

We wish a Happy 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Lauren, Millie, Anastasiia, Jolleen and Darcy.



### Regonknition!



Congratulations to Wilfrid who was regonknised for his involvement in sixth form from the very beginning. Wilfrid is part of the social committee, a major contributor to the Model United Nations club, and part of the Livery Awards Team. We wish him and all the team the very best of luck in the heats on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December!



### Application for Leave

Reminder to Parents, please find the school term dates on the school website. Students are expected to be in school throughout the term and only take holiday when school is closed. If there are any extraordinary circumstances that require you to miss school, please ask well in advance by contacting [sixthform@wallingfordschool.com](mailto:sixthform@wallingfordschool.com)



### Get Active Assembly

We welcomed Amirah in our assembly this morning who talked about job opportunities with Get Active Sports. Amirah spoke about vacancies for sports clubs and Sports or Playworker Apprenticeships as well as child care work and sports coaching. Please look at the website if interested [getactivesports.com](http://getactivesports.com), or contact Amirah : [recruitment@getactivesports.com](mailto:recruitment@getactivesports.com), Tel: 01344 860868.

## Winter Wonderland



Year 12 received a briefing about the trip to Winter Wonderland in assembly this morning. Year 13 are invited to a meeting on Monday morning as soon as they have registered, in the 6<sup>th</sup> Form Common Room.

You have paid for your transport and entry so if you would like to book anything such as the ice skating or big wheel you need to do that on line before we go. Please see Mrs Lutanutabua to get the booking reference that you will need.

Please book activities to start from 6pm and ensure that they will be finished by 9pm.

Looking forward to it!

## Oxford Brookes Art Foundation Visit



We were delighted to welcome Amy Harris, Senior Lecturer, at Oxford Brookes University to talk to the Art students about their Art Foundation course. Amy showed lots of examples of work from the exciting course, discussed the various projects that students on the Art Foundation get up to and what they are looking for in an Art portfolio.



## Coming Soon.....

From next week you will be able to buy tickets to come and see the A Level Drama production of Accidental Death of an Anarchist, which is on at 6.30pm on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. Tickets are a mere £2 for a rip-roaring political comedy which highlights corruption in the establishment. Here's a sneak preview of a rehearsal. The actors are amazing and you will be assured a good night out!



## Social Committee

Talking of sneak previews, you may not recognise the sixth form centre on Monday – the elves have been in.....





## Enrichment Lectures – Mansfield College

There are some amazing public talks coming up this term from Oxford University, Mansfield College.

Take a look at their website: <https://www.mansfield.ox.ac.uk/mansfield-college-public-talks>

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LECTURE</u>
Friday 6 December 5.30pm	<b>Mansfieldmas – a celebration of creativity</b>  Mansfield’s sixth annual celebration of music, poetry an creativity in our joyful, multi-cultural, non-conformist College, curated by our Honorary Fellows Lemm Sissay and Errollyn Wallen; our Director of Music James Brown; and Poet in Residence Kate Clanchy.

## Thames Vale Youth Orchestra

Congratulations to Tabitha (Year13) who has gained a place in the TVYO for the coming season, following a succesful audition.

Thames Vale Youth Orchestra is one of Oxfordshire's leading youth orchestras. Musicians from independent and state schools audition for a place and the opportunity to perform challenging symphonic repertoire at concert venues around Oxfordshire. The orchestra numbers 80 musicians aged 11 - 18, grade 6 - diploma.

## Sixth Form Sports



A busy week of sports with football and table tennis going on for Year 12 Wellness Wednesday. Girls Dodge ball Club also started on Wednesday afternoon in the Dance Studio; please pop in next week for some after school fun. Thanks to Athena, Bethan, Haley and Wilfrid who helped out at the primary school Hockey tournament on Wednesday.

Brilliant job to the First XV rugby team that had their first home game against Lord Williams.



## Instagram

Please give our Instagram page (run by the Social Committee) a follow – **wally.sixthform**.

## Current Affairs Kahoot This Week

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

1<sup>st</sup> Place - 8332 Katie 13YH  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place - 7200 Jasmine 12NJO  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place - 6606 Ben 12TMG

Please see **Mrs Lutunatabua** for your prize!

# Useful Opportunities

## Dunelm Apprenticeship

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/event/apprenticeships-with-dunelm-2>

At this online event on **3rd December from 16:00 - 17:00**, students can hear from the Early Careers team at Dunelm, about their apprenticeship opportunities, including retail, tech, logistics, buying & merchandising and insight & analytics, which open for applications in January 2025.

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## Games Industry Hiring Event

<https://lu.ma/7ugi4juw>

This online event on **10th December from 18:00 - 19:30** may be of interest to students who are looking for a job in games and wondering what it's like to work in the studio, who they will be working with and what it takes to get hired. UK games studio Rare will show them what it's like to be one of the team and share tips on getting into the industry.

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## Progressing with Apprenticeship

[Link to register](#)

This ASK webinar on **9th December at 15:30** will look at how you can advance your career using the different levels of apprenticeships and how starting as an intermediate or advanced apprenticeship can assist you to progress even further and undertake further apprenticeships at higher levels.

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## Application Masterclass with Lloyds Banking Group

Are you curious about a career in Banking, Finance, or Technology? Join us for Lloyds Banking Group: Careers Live, an exclusive virtual event designed to give you insights into one of the UK's largest financial institutions and how to make an impactful corporate application.

This is your chance to learn about the wide range of career opportunities available at Lloyds Banking Group and how to take your first steps towards an exciting future. The event will be held on **Tuesday 3rd December from 5:00pm – 6:00pm**. You will receive the zoom link upon registration.

Register here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LBGdec><https://young-professionals.us21.list-manage.com/track/click?u=40f3de5366f8028a7560bb6a0&id=7679a56d97&e=5e7aa2b298>

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## University of Winchester Events

Open Day – **Saturday 18th January** [Click here to register for one of our Open Days!](#)

Registered Nurse, Nursing Associate & Midwifery Apprenticeship Taster Day – **Tuesday 26th November**  
[Please click here to sign up!](#)

Pathways to Sport Programme – **Saturday 7th December**. [Please sign up here.](#)

Learning Disabilities Nursing Experience Day – **Monday 9th December** [Click here to book a place!](#)

If you would like to contact the Schools and Colleges team about our sessions, attending HE Fairs or organising future events with us, please go to our website [www.winchester.ac.uk](http://www.winchester.ac.uk)

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## EDF Apprenticeship Information Evening

Meet Hiring Managers from EDF Early Careers and find out about the following exciting apprenticeship opportunities: *Chemistry Level 6 Degree, Cyber Security Level 6 Degree, Health Physics Monitor Level 2, Maintenance Operations Engineering Technician (MOET) Level 3, Nuclear Engineering (NEDA) Level 6 degree.*

You will also have a chance to hear from some of our current apprentices and ask any questions you may have. Booking is essential and spaces are limited. Applications will open on 27<sup>th</sup> December for a September 2025 start!

[Click here to book your place.](#)

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### **STEM Virtual Careers Event with NESO**

Are you interested in an exciting career in engineering and energy systems? Join us for a virtual event with National Energy System Operator to discover opportunities in the energy sector and learn how you can help shape the future of sustainable energy. NESO are part of the UK Government so are publicly owned with a core responsible for the entire distribution of the UK's electricity and gas supply.

#### *Event Details:*

- \* *Event: Engineering Insights with National Energy System Operator*
- \* **Date: Thursday, 5th December 2024**
- \* **Time: 5:00pm - 6:00pm**
- \* *Location: Virtual (link provided upon registration)*

#### Why Attend?

*This is a fantastic opportunity to:*

- \* *Learn About Engineering Roles: Gain insight into the innovative work National Energy System Operator does to balance supply and demand across the UK's energy grid.*
- \* *Explore Career Pathways: Discover opportunities for school-leavers and graduates and meet current and former apprentices / graduates working towards a sustainable future.*
- \* *Hear from Experts: Meet engineers working at the forefront of the energy transition, tackling real-world challenges to create a greener and more sustainable future.*
- \* *Ask Your Questions: Participate in a live Q&A session to get tailored advice about the skills, qualifications, and experiences needed to succeed in this field.*

Register here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NESOvirtual>

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**Please also have a look at the Work Experience board in Study for more information.**

