# Wallingford School Sixth Form News

Term 2, Week 5: 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2024

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# A message from the 6f team:

It has been another busy week here, with the Merchant Taylors Livery Awards on Monday, a magical trip to Winter Wonderland on Wednesday, Year 12 Feedback Evening on Thursday and the after school football final on Friday. We have two more full weeks before the end of term, and they can be some of the hardest in terms of motivation (dark mornings/afternoons, tired after a busy term, no assessments on the immediate horizon). However, this is still a significant amount of time to make changes and improvements, and to better understand certain topics and subjects. We will be supporting 6<sup>th</sup> Formers to make the most of their time, and they can rest assured that there are further events and opportunities in the weeks ahead for them to look forward to. Have a wonderful weekend.



## Events coming up:

Week Commencing 9th December

Y12 German Exchange – *Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December* Christmas Food Drive – *Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December* Y12 Food Mock Exam – *Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December* 

<u>PSE</u> Y12& 13:

#### Events coming up:

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

Christmas Ball - *Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December* Christmas Jumper Day – *Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December* Last day of term – *Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December, 12:40pm* 

### Important information & News



We wish a Happy Birthday to Zach and Elizabella.



#### Regonknition!



Sunny and Red are very impressed with our recipients this week.

We would like to regonknise Evie (Year 13) for her commitment and diligence towards her schoolwork, revision and studies. Your resilience and perseverance is shining through!

In Year 12, we would like to regonknise Sid for always going above and beyond with his efforts in Livery awards, Social Committee, School Production, Model UN and running the board games club. Outstanding job Sid...keep it up!



#### 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 <a href="mailto:sixthform@wallingfordschool.com">sixthform@wallingfordschool.com</a>

#### Livery Awards



Congratulations to the Livery Awards team who won their heat on Monday night and have progressed to the finals at The Mansion House in January. Wishing you all the very best for the next round.



#### Winter Wonderland



On Wednesday evening, the sixth form team and a large group of students ventured to the magical Winter Wonderland in Hyde Park, London. Arriving under a canopy of festive lights, the scene was perfectly set for an enchanting evening. The ice-skating rink was a firm favourite, with many students stepping onto the ice for the first time. It was great to see the progress from start to end, despite plenty of tumbles along the way! Afterward, groups warmed up with steaming hot chocolates before enjoying more thrilling rides



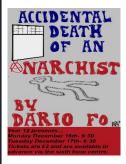
and delicious festive treats. The evening ended, and we came home with big fluffy carnival toys, tired but happy students, and great memories of Christmas cheer. (Wilfrid – Y12)

#### Year 13 Lakes Revision Trip

The Lakes Revision Trip is a wonderful opportunity to revise for exams, getting into good habits and setting a routine. It is also a place where you can balance hard work with outdoor and social acitvities and get a taste of life in halls, if you are planning to go to university. Your financial contribution is matched by the school and we would love to take the whole year group if possible. If you have not signed up and would like to come, please go onto parentpay this as soon as possible, preferably this weekend as we need to pay the deposit next week. If you would like to go but there is an obstacle in your way, or if you need support with the payment plan, please talk to Ms Mummery.



#### Year 12 Drama



Tickets for the Year 12 drama go on sale from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December from the 6<sup>th</sup> Form office. Come along and support our budding stars who have been working really hard to put this show together. This play is a funny but hard-hitting political drama, written about police corrutpion in 1970s Italy with much of relevance even today. The students have worked really hard and would love to entertain a big audience!



#### 6F Sports



Another exciting week of sports in 6F. Our first XV rugby team had a brilliant outing against Wheatley on Wednesday, coming away with the win – well done boys.

Our weekly football championship came to an end today with Siege 5 Man winning overall. Thank you to all the teams that gave up their Friday afternoons. Watch this space for the start date for another round.





#### Year 12 English Trip

On Thursday the year 12 English class went into London to a poetry conference at Friends House. They were thrilled to see Simon Armitage, Patience Agbabi, Sinéad Morrissey and Ian Duhig talking about their poems and even engaged in some poetry writing themselves! Some students bought copies of the poets' books and got to talk to them while they signed their works. Overall an informative, in-depth look at the poems from the poets' own perspectives. (Charlotte – Y12)

#### 6F After School Clubs

All after school clubs will finish this week for the term. Thank you to all the clubs that have been running for the first two terms. If you would like to start a club please see 6F office team to help you facilitate this.

Clubs will resume the second week back in Term 3 – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2025.

#### **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 - 7615	Ben	12TMG
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place - 5629	Zach, Freddy, Dylan, Cedric	12GS
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place - 5584	Ben	12NJO

Please see Mrs Lutunatabua for your prize!

# **Useful Opportunities**

#### Insight to Law with International Firm Mischon de Reya

Are you considering a career in law? Join us for an exclusive virtual open evening with Mishcon de Reya, where you'll gain invaluable insights into their Solicitor Apprenticeship Programme and discover how you can start your journey to becoming a qualified solicitor.

Event Details:

- Event: Mishcon de Reya Solicitor Apprenticeship Law Virtual Open Evening
- Date: Tuesday, 10th December 2024
- Time: 5:00pm 6:00pm
- Location: Virtual (link provided upon registration)



#### <u>About the Event</u>

Navigating career options, exploring apprenticeship opportunities, and deciding where to train as a solicitor can feel

overwhelming. This event is designed to make that process easier by giving you a clear picture of what Mishcon de Reya offers through their 6-year Solicitor Apprenticeship programme, from apprentice to fully qualified solicitor.

#### You'll also learn about:

• Programme Overview: How the apprenticeship is delivered and what your journey to qualification will look like.

•Life at Mishcon de Reya: The type of work the firm does, its high-profile clients, and the dynamic culture that sets Mishcon apart.

•Industry Insights: An overview of the current legal landscape, how law firms operate, and the future of the legal market.

Real Experiences: Hear from current solicitor apprentices about their journey and what it's like to train at Mishcon de Reya.
Application Advice: Get tips and insights from the Early Careers Team about what they look for in candidates and how to stand out in your application.

#### **Register Here:**

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MdR-open-evening

#### WES Apprentice Showcase

#### www.wes.org.uk/events

The Women's Engineering Society will be holding an apprentice showcase from **10<sup>th</sup> - 16th February** as part of National Apprenticeship Week. The event is sponsored by BAE Systems, who will be part of the showcase. Further details will follow.

#### After School Club Assistant

We are a happy, child-centred Infant School looking for an enthusiastic, nurturing and adaptable assistant who loves working with children! We are seeking someone to work alongside an existing member of staff to supervise our children in our successful After School Club, 'Puffins'. The club runs from 3:10pm – 5:30pm. The successful applicant will share our school's ethos and values and will be reliable, dedicated and flexible. The ability to work as a member of a team is essential, as is a sense of humour!

The After School Club runs on site Monday to Thursday and you will be supervising children from Reception age through to Year 2. As well as supervising the children for after school activities, you will be expected to help the children with the preparation of a snack mid-way through their session.

This is a temporary fixed term post (January to July 2025 in the first instance). This could suit a Year 13 student (who is already 18 or is approaching 18), someone currently on a gap year, or someone who simply loves spending time with children! For information, we have capacity for up to 20 children per day in the After School Club.

Application forms and further details are available by visiting our website:

https://www.st-nicholas.co.uk/vacancies/

Closing date: Tuesday 7th January 2025 at midday

Interviews: TBC

For any further details, please contact Emma Richardson, School Business Manager (sbm@st-nicholas.co.uk).

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

