

Wallingford School Sixth Form News

Term 4, Week 3: 14th March, 2025

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6th Form



A message from 6F team:

It has been assessment week for Year 12. It has been great to see lots of students staying after school hours to further prepare for these, and we wish them luck. Year 13 are on the other side of the assessment window, and have been busy acting upon feedback in order to bridge gaps and strengthen knowledge bases, ahead of their formal assessments. Year 13 also had their final Feedback Evening, and we hope this was useful for parents, carers and students. The second half of Term 4 will be busy one, with lots of trips and activities. As always, we commend the students for the proactivity in ensuring they keep up with their studies.

Events coming up:

Week Commencing 17th March

Monday 17th March: Oedipus Theatre trip - Y12& Y13

Tuesday 18th March: History Trip – Y12&Y13

Thursday 20th March: Careersfest

PSE Friday 21st March

Y12: Understanding Risks and Consequences

Y13: Personal Budgeting

Events coming up:

Sunday 30th March – Friday 4th April 2025: Year 13

Lakes Revision Trip

Term 4 Break – Monday 7th April – Monday 21st April

Important information & News



We wish a Happy Birthday to Isabella, Matthew, Poppy, Gary, Finlay, Lizzie.
We wish a Happy 18th Birthday to Immy and Lewis.



Gonk



Congratulations to Alice for being proactive in sourcing work experience and generally getting things done since the start of Year 12.

Noah was recognised for his dedication to his studies and contribution to the school music.

Well done to both of you and Red and Sunny hope you enjoy your chocolate!



Year 12 Assembly – Hustings Prep



It is coming to that time of year, over the halfway mark, when Year 13 begin to relinquish their responsibilities and Year 12 are asked to step forward and take up the reigns. We have seen an excellent response to the role of Peer Supporters, the interviews for which took place this week. This morning, our Student Leadership group spoke to Year 12 about their role over the past year, what they achieved and how they benefitted from the experience. We will be asking Year 12 students to put themselves forward during a hustings on Friday 25th April where they will be asked to talk to the year group about why they are applying, what they would like to achieve and what they feel they can bring to the team. We ask you

all to consider putting yourself forward for this – it is a team effort and the most successful team has a variety of personalities and strengths.

Livery Entrepreneurs Challenge

Last Friday, we partook in a retail business simulation run by The Worshipful Company of Entrepreneurs and The Haberdashers' Company. The event was held in Haberdashers' Hall in London. The challenge was under competitive conditions and against strict time limits, where we covered disciplines of finance, marketing, research, team management and communication. The event was incredibly insightful, widening our knowledge deeply into the world of entrepreneurship, it was incredibly interesting and inspiring, encouraging our futures in business. The challenge was fast paced and really required us to think. We also had an amazing opportunity to get involved with our livery company - Merchant Taylors', also meeting students our age and successful entrepreneurs. The social networking aspect was a totally new experience and one that we really enjoyed. Our team was made up of a mixture of Merchant Taylor schools, compelling us to work as a team with people we'd just met. Unfortunately, this time we did not win, but we came a very comfortable 5th and 7th overall. We all had a brilliant time on our trip, learning many new things and enjoying an amazing day out. (Annabelle, Y12)



Lakes Revision Trip

As students in Year 13 reflect on the revision you did for their mocks, it is important to look to the future and adapt revision practice to ensure the you are working SMART! Please start gathering together your resources and sorting your folders so that you have a compact bag of work to take up to the Lakes with you. Any questions, please ask Ms Mummyery.

Year 13 After School Revision Sessions



For the next 2 weeks, we are inviting students to supervised independent study time taking place after school on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 3:15pm – 4:45pm. Tuesday & Thursday will be in the front study room & Wednesday will be in the back study room.

Following conversations at parents evening & conversations with form tutors during Friday morning's PSE, these could be the perfect opportunity to put the feedback into practice to fill any holes or start some revision on areas that require focus following the mock exams.

Biscuits & materials for revision e.g. flashcards, folders, card will be provided.

We hope to see a good number of students attend!

Cornhole Cup

The inaugural Wallingford School 6F Cornhole Cup will be starting soon. You still have time to sign you and a friend up.

Competition will begin on Tuesday 18th March at break time on the Astro. Don't forget your £2.00 entry fee. We look forward to seeing you then.



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 – 7792	Bella & Thea	13DBO
2 nd Place – 7300	Annie	13EMC
3 rd Place – 7294	Harry & Malcolm	12CHS

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

Useful Opportunities

University of Oxford Days



www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/open-days-and-visits

The next University of Oxford undergraduate open events will take place on **2nd and 3rd July** and **19th September**. Their website also lists department opening days, with Classics, Maths, Modern Languages and Geography taking place this spring that runs from March until July.

Apprenticeship Application Webinar

www.amazingapprenticeships.com/events/how-to-impress-in-the-apprenticeship-application-process

At this ASK webinar on **20th March from 15:30 - 16:00**, attendees will hear directly from employers and apprentices sharing their advice on the best ways to impress in the apprenticeship recruitment process.

UCAS Personal Statements Webinar

<https://investin.org/pages/free-events>

This free InvestIN webinar on **26th March from 18:00 - 19:00** will cover how UCAS has amended the personal statement format from one longer essay to three structured questions, the first major change since its founding in 1993. Parents, students and careers professionals are invited to learn more about what this means and how to ensure your application stands out.

University of Bath Supporting Your Child Webinar Series

www.bath.ac.uk/events/?f.Department+or+group%7CX=Undergraduate+Admissions+%26+Outreach

The University of Bath are holding 3 webinars this spring for parents and carers of students who are planning to go to university in 2025, or thinking of applying for 2026. The sessions include some University of Bath specific information but aim to be useful for all parents/carers.

Supporting your child: Student finance, scholarships, bursaries and budgeting

27th March, 18:00 - 19:00

www.bath.ac.uk/events/supporting-your-child-student-finance-scholarships-bursaries-and-budgeting-27-march-2025

A session for parents and carers of children applying to university courses starting from 2025.

Supporting your child: Accommodation and student support panel discussion

1st May, 18:00 - 19:00

www.bath.ac.uk/events/supporting-your-child-accommodation-and-student-support-panel-discussion-1-may-2025

A session for parents and carers of children who receive an offer to study at Bath from 2025 and who would like to know more about our accommodation

Supporting your child's UCAS application for courses starting in 2026

29th May, 18:00 - 19:00

www.bath.ac.uk/events/supporting-your-childs-ucas-application-for-courses-starting-in-2026-29-may-2025

A session for parents and carers of children applying to university courses starting from 2026.

Oriel College Year 12 Study Day Residentials

www.oriel.ox.ac.uk/study-with-us/outreach-and-schools-liaison/what-we-do/events-and-prizes/easter-residential-programmes-for-year-12-students

These one-night residentials for **Year 12 students** are taking place at the University of Oxford Oriel College in the **Easter school holiday**. This year's subjects are Law (13th-14th April), Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (14th-15th

April), Women* in Maths and Computer Science (15th-16th April) and Women* in Chemistry and Biochemistry (16th-17th April). All expenses (accommodation at Oriel, meals and activities) are funded thanks to the generosity of an Oxford alumnus and reasonable travel costs to attend a study day will also be reimbursed.

For further info on student eligibility and selection criteria please see the Oriel College website and contact Carys at outreach@oriel.ox.ac.uk for any questions.

Deadline to apply: **23:45 on 16th March.**

Banking & Finance Event Lloyds Banking Group

Are you curious about a career in **Banking and Finance**? 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 build your career within the industry!

This is your chance to learn about the wide range of career opportunities available at Lloyds Banking Group as well as their Easter Work Experience Schemes all whilst taking your first steps towards an exciting future.

Event Details:

- **Event:** Lloyds Banking Group: Careers Live
- **Date:** Tuesday, 1st April 2025
- **Time:** 5:00pm - 6:00pm
- **Location:** Zoom (link provided upon registration)

Why Attend?

Lloyds Banking Group is at the forefront of the banking and financial services sector, committed to innovation, diversity, and nurturing future talent. This event is perfect for students interested in banking, finance and business, offering a glimpse into the opportunities and pathways available within a leading organisation.

Here's what you'll gain:

- **Exclusive Insights into Lloyds Banking Group:** Learn about the company's role in shaping the UK economy and its commitment to supporting businesses and individuals across the country.
- **Career Opportunities:** Discover **apprenticeship programmes, graduate schemes, and internships** designed to help you launch your career in banking, fintech, and beyond.
- **EASTER WORK EXPERIENCE** - A unique link to apply on the session
- **Q&A with Industry Professionals:** Ask your questions directly to LBG representatives and receive tailored advice on navigating the recruitment process and starting your career journey.

Register Here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LBG-Finance>

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

