

Wallingford School Sixth Form News

Term 5, Week 1: 17th April, 2026

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6th Form



A message from the 6f team:

Following trips to the Lakes to revise and the slopes of Austria to ski, we have returned to school full of excitement for the next term. Many sixth formers took to the stage – and behind the stage – for the Spring Concert and the Spotlight Dance Show this week, demonstrating talent and the fruits of their labours over the past few weeks, months and years. This morning in PSHE Year 12 looked into UCAS and MOOCs (please ask them to explain these acronyms) and Year 13 contemplated the next steps in September, and the revision habits that they need to adopt to get there. We look forward to the hustings for the student leadership team next week. Have a lovely weekend.

Events coming up:

Week Commencing 20th April

Rounders Club – every Tuesday, 3.05pm

Y12 UCAS Fair Trip – **Thurs 23rd April** (during the school day)

Aspiring Medics/Vets/Dentists Talk – **Thurs 23rd April**

PSE: Friday 24th April

Y12 – Student Leadership Group Hustings

Y13 – Final PSHE

Events coming up

Y13 Textiles exam – **Fri 24th April**

Important information & News



We wish a Happy Birthday to Stanley, Luke, Dylan and Ben, and a very Happy 18th Birthday to Liesl and George.



Lakes Trip 2026

The images below give a small insight into a fantastic week at the Lake District. Arriving on Sunday in the early afternoon, students were hard at work with purposeful revision shortly afterwards. They were impressive in their ability to maintain his momentum up for the entire week, and they will have given themselves firm foundations to build upon in the lead up to their exams.

The perils of all work and no fun are well documented, so students found themselves building rafts, fell walking, traversing obstacle courses, on 7am runs, shooting arrows, roasting marshmallows and quizzing as welcome breaks from study. We also had the privilege of celebrating several 18th birthdays while we were away.

Well done to all students on the trip, many of whom were working outside their comfort zone. Thank you to all the staff who made it possible.





Year 13 Assembly



It was fantastic to welcome back Olly and Thea to talk to Year 13 about their past year and to share some good tips for the coming weeks and months. Having a structure to your day as you revise at home and taking a door stop with you to Halls of Residences were two recommendations!



Year 12 UCAS Exhibiton Trip – Thursday 23rd April

For the trip on Thursday.

1. The timings of the trip are inside the school day – students go to form time as usual at the start of the day. (Leave at 9:00am & return at approx. 2:00pm)
2. Students **will be attending Period 6** so need to bring things for this lesson.
3. Students should bring lunch.
4. If students haven't managed to download their ticket yet – don't panic, we can sort this at the start of the week.

Physics Tutor Wanted

If any Year 12 student would be interested in tutoring a Year 9 student in the area of Physics – please see Mr Harpin

Going the Extra Mile

We're incredibly proud to share that Alexa & Bethan in Y13 will be taking on the Oxford Half Marathon this October in support of **Thames Valley Air Ambulance**, a vital charity that provides life-saving emergency care across our region.

This is an inspiring example of determination, compassion and community spirit. Every donation — big or small — will make a genuine difference and help ensure crews can continue to save lives across our local area.

👉 Please support the girls by donating via their fundraising page [here](#).

Let's come together as a school community to cheer them on and help them smash their fundraising goal!

Futures For All

Discover a library packed with recordings from previous live virtual broadcasts, available to watch anytime. It's an easy way to catch up on sessions you may have missed or revisit topics that matter to you.

The site also highlights upcoming live broadcasts, so you can register in advance and join sessions in real time. We recommend checking the site regularly to stay up to date, informed, and inspired.

Click [here](#) for access to the library.

University Open Days

This is a brilliant time to start researching university and the many [open days](#) that they will be offering.

Most open days are at the weekend but should one be during the school week that you wish to attend, please email sixthform@wallingfordschool.com to inform us. Students will have to get catch up with any work they miss out on. This will be marked as authorised absence.

Current Affairs Kahoot This Week

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

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| 1 st Place - 8696 | Ben | 13TMG |
| 2 nd Place - 7572 | Annabella | 13ECL |
| 3 rd Place - 7556 | Daniel | 13NJO |

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

Useful Opportunities

Y12 Real Estate Summer School

Pathways to Property is a charitable programme run by Henley Business School that's designed to raise awareness about the vast range of careers available with the Real Estate industry.

Applications for our annual Real Estate residential [summer school](#) close in just 6 days' time. Don't let your **Yr12** students miss out on this amazing opportunity. It is being held at the University of Reading on **14 – 17 July 2026**. All travel, accommodation and food will be paid for. Students will continue to be supported after their attendance through our Propel alumni programme sending them relevant information. If they choose to undertake a property industry focused degree or qualification, they will be [eligible](#) to apply for up to £30,000 in bursary funding and if they study Real Estate at Reading University they will receive a guaranteed conditional contextual offer plus a welcome bursary.

Deadline for applications is **Sunday 19th April**. Apply [here](#).

University of Winchester

Case Study Days

9th June: Mysteries of the Black Sea

This Case Study Day is suitable for Classical Studies, Archaeology, and Anthropology

What secrets lie around the Black Sea? This Case Study Day offers a chance to explore this land between Europe and Asia. Join Dr Paul Everill to reveal the excavations at the Byzantine fortress of Archaeopolis-Nokalakevi and its role in the Persian Wars of the sixth century; Dr Polly Stoker to explore the epic stories of Jason and the Argonauts and their quest for the mythical Golden Fleece; and Dr Heidi Dawson-Hobbis to discover some of the earliest-known human settlements in Europe from an astonishing 1.8 million years ago. By the end of the day, you'll have new light on this fascinating place, and its importance to so many cultures as where East meets West.

17th June: Bring Out Your Dead

This Case Study Day is suitable for History, Archaeology and Medieval History.

Throughout place and time, people have had unique and meaningful ways of dealing with death. What brings people together – or apart – in times of mortality or crisis? Join Dr Katherine Weikert to discuss Anglo-Saxon executions from the law to the burial; Dr Gordon McKelvie to examine the times of trial and crisis of the Black Death in medieval Europe through historical sources; and Dr Simon Roffey to discover treatment of the ill in medieval hospitals with archaeological evidence from right here in Winchester. By the end of the day, you'll better understand how humanity deals with medical crisis and death, throughout place and time, and how funerary practices can connect – or disconnect – us from the dead.

22nd June: Women's Voices

This Case Study Day is suitable for Classical Studies, Philosophy and History.

Where are women's voices in the humanities? This Case Study Day offers exciting and intriguing ways to study women in the past, present and future. Join Dr Elizabeth MacIntosh to uncover women at the dawn of modern British philosophy in the early 20th century; Dr Polly Stoker to discover the evocative poetry of the ancient Greek poet Sappho, giving a rare glance into the ancient female experience and Dr Katherine Weikert to explore the lives of women in medieval castles, from the lady to the servant. By the end of the day, you'll think differently about Classical Studies, Philosophy and History – and women's places in them, past, present and future.

If you would like to sign up to any of the events above, please ask them to email: schoolsandcolleges@winchester.ac.uk

Undergraduate Open Day – Saturday 4th July (09:00 – 15:00)

Our Open Day is a great way to get a feel for life in Winchester and see for yourself why people love it here.

During the event, you will have the opportunity to:

- Attend a Welcome Talk from our Executive Leadership Team
- Meet and Greet with academics from your course
- Go on a Campus Tour
- See our Student Villages
- Speak to current students or staff from our Student Support and Success, Admissions and Housing Teams
- Talk to our Schools and Colleges team

If you have any questions, feel free to send the Open Days team an email on opendays@winchester.ac.uk.

If you would like to sign up to the event, please click [here](#) to register!

Oxford Brookes University End of Year Shows

Bring your students along to experience Brookes students' incredible ideas, skills and creativity at their End of Year Shows, running from **22nd April to 31st July**. See dates and venues [here](#). Work from students studying Graphic Design, Fine Art, Photography, Foundation Art & Design, the Built Environment and Architecture will be on display.

For further information, please contact Louise Williams at louisewilliams@brookes.ac.uk.

AWE Year 12 In-Person Insight Day

<https://pathwayctm.com/event/awe-year-12-insight-day-in-person-shape-your-career-in-stem>

Year 12 students who are thinking about an apprenticeship after sixth form and are curious about careers in science, engineering, or business support areas that make a real impact are invited to an insight day at AWE in Reading on **26th May from 10:00 - 15:00**. This is an opportunity to experience in person what a future at AWE could actually look like and give them a chance to explore and understand the variety of AWE's apprenticeship opportunities roles opening in 2026/27.

Wadham College Summer Schools

www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/visiting-and-outreach/outreach-events/wadham-college-summer-schools-0

The University of Oxford Wadham College five-day Summer Schools for **Year 12 students** in Classics, Modern Languages, or Biology & Human Sciences will take place between **Monday 17th and Friday 21st August**.

These Summer Schools are designed to give students a taste of what it's like to be an undergraduate studying at the University of Oxford. Attendees will take part in an academic programme, live in College, meet current students and receive guidance on applying to university. The Summer School is completely free of charge. Accommodation and meals will be provided and they will provide financial support to students to cover their travel costs.

Deadline to apply: **Friday 1st May**.

Deploying Drone Tech Careers



This is your chance to step into something *next level*. We're looking for bold, curious, future-focused thinkers ready to shake things up and make a difference.

 **Join Cyberhawk for an epic 2-day remote work experience**

Get behind the scenes of cutting edge drone tech used across the energy industry. You'll see how high tech drones capture powerful data that helps prevent disasters and protect the world around us.

 **Your mission:**

Plan drone operations to inspect energy poles and help stop wildfires in California, USA. This is the kind of work that actually saves environments and communities.

Event Details

Location: Remote

Date: 9 - 10 June (2 days)

Time: 09:00 – 14:00

Application deadline: 11th May, 2026

Home Office Work Insight Placement

Ever wondered what it's REALLY like to work in government?

A unique opportunity insight into Home Office careers - one of the most important government departments working to build a safe, fair, and prosperous UK through our work on counterterrorism, policing, crime, drugs policy, immigration, and passports.

Join our Virtual Home Office Work Insight Placement – a 3-day online experience.

What you'll get:

- ✓ A behind-the-scenes look at real roles in the Home Office
- ✓ Live sessions with people doing the job right now
- ✓ Interactive activities to build your confidence & skills
- ✓ Insight into how our work impacts everyday life

Event Details

Location: Remote



Date: 2 – 4 June, 2026 (2 days)

Time: 10:00 – 15:00

Application deadline: 5th May, 2026

Young Professionals Summer Conference in London

We are incredibly excited to invite you to the **Young Professionals Summer Conference in London at Friends House, based in Euston, London**—our **biggest and most ambitious event to date**. Taking place on Saturday, 18th July, 2pm - 6pm this is your chance to join us and meet some of the **most prestigious employers** in business, banking, finance, law, engineering, and technology, all in one place. As it's taking place on the weekend, no school, college or university time will need to be missed, giving you the ultimate flexibility to attend!

Dan Miller, our Founder and CEO and this year's contestant on the BBC's The Apprentice, will play a big part in the day and share his journey in founding the YP brand!

All students who attend will get a professional LinkedIn headshot as well as a digital PDF link packed with CV templates, how to start a business, top tips on applying to corporate roles, and lots of other useful content.

Event Details

Date: Saturday 18th July

Location: Friends House, London, Euston (right opposite Euston Train Station)

Time: 2pm - 6pm

Who can attend? All students at school/university

Meet Global Employers Looking for Future Talent

This year's event will feature representatives from some of the biggest names in business, banking, finance, law, engineering, and technology. Some of the employers attending include: **Goldman Sachs, Lloyds Banking Group, KPMG, Grant Thornton, UBS, Slaughter and May, Farrer & Co, A&O Shearman, Charles Russell Speechlys** and many, many more still to be announced!

[Click here to register!](#) Please note that there is a booking fee of £26 to secure your place, this goes towards the venue hire, AV and tech costs, goodie bags, downloadable resources for you to keep, as well as some of the incredible speakers we are booking for this event.

BDO Work Insight Programme

Over the course of this three-day work experience programme at BDO's Reading office, students will:

- Meet with members of staff at BDO to find out more about their experience working in professional services
- Develop their transferable skills to help them succeed in their future careers, by improving their problem solving, teamwork, and public speaking
- Complete project-based scenarios to help them understand more about what it's like to work at an organisation like BDO
- Find out more about early careers opportunities at BDO and how to succeed in these

Event Details

Date: Monday 29th June, Tuesday 30th June, Wednesday 1st July

Time: 9am - 4pm

Location: BDO's Reading Office: Level 12, Thames Tower, Station Road, Reading, RG1 1LX

Apply to the programme [here](#). The application deadline is **Friday 24th April**.

University of Glasgow Opportunities

The University of Glasgow has a number of exciting upcoming opportunities for potential students and/or offer holders that we're pleased to share.

Undergraduate Online Open Day, Thursday 23 April, 09:00-17:00

We're looking forward to prospective students joining us virtually at our Undergraduate Online Open Day to listen to live online talks, explore on-demand content about student life and support, and hear from current students. More information

about the event including what's on and how to register can be found here: <https://www.gla.ac.uk/explore/visit/undergraduate/opensdays/online/>

Global Opportunities Online Information Session, Monday 1 June, 16:00-17:00

This session will explore the wide range of study and work abroad opportunities available to UofG students, including possible destinations and how to get involved. Current students will also share their experiences of studying abroad, followed by a Q&A. This session is open to offer holders, prospective students and parents/carers who can register here: <https://www.gla.ac.uk/explore/visit/undergraduate/onlineinfosessions/globaloppession/>

Undergraduate Open Day (On-Campus), Thursday 18 June, 09:00-15:00

The University of Glasgow will be holding its Undergraduate Open Day in June on our Gilmorehill Campus. This event offers pupils the chance to explore the campus, speak with staff and students, and gain insight into university life. The opportunity to register can be found here: <https://www.gla.ac.uk/explore/visit/undergraduate/opensdays/>

Staff Led Information Sessions (Zoom), Monday 27 April and Monday 11 May, 16:00-17:00

Join our team for an online information session where prospective students can learn everything they need to know about life at the University of Glasgow. From chat about our vibrant city and beautiful campus to understanding degree programmes, this is a great chance to find out more about Glasgow. More details, dates and registration can be found here: <https://www.gla.ac.uk/explore/visit/undergraduate/onlineinfosessions/ugofferholder/>

Student Led Information Sessions (Zoom), Thursday 21 May, 16:00-17:00

This is an opportunity to listen to current students talk about student life in Glasgow. Our students will talk about their experience of living in Glasgow, societies, sports, accommodation, and more, with time for questions. We will also be joined by a member of staff for any further questions. You can register here: <https://www.gla.ac.uk/explore/visit/undergraduate/onlineinfosessions/studentledinfosessions/>

As always if we can offer any further support, or if you/your students have any questions please let us know. For any invitations for school events, talks or virtual talks please contact schoolinvites@glasgow.ac.uk

Please take the time to have a look at the Work Experience and Opportunities board in 6F for more information and posters.

