



### Sixth Form Message

#### **WELCOME YEAR 11's TO OUR SIXTH FORM BULLETINS!**

As our Year 11s gear up for their GCSEs, it's also the perfect time to start thinking about what's next! With our fantastic Sixth Form right here on site, we're giving students and their families a sneak peek into life beyond Year 11 by sharing this bulletin. You can also check it out anytime on our school website.

Save the Date!

Our Sixth Form Open Evening is happening on Thursday, 6th November – come along, meet our team, explore subjects, and discover all the amazing opportunities waiting for you!

Please book to confirm your attendance by completing this form:

[Sixth Form - Open Evening - Booking Form](#)

#### **SIXTH FORM OPEN DAY - THURSDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

All Year 12 and 13 students will have the opportunity to take part in our Sixth Form Open Evening. We would love as many students as possible to be available on the evening and to act as ambassadors, subject champions, and role models, talking to prospective students and families about their experiences.

This is a great opportunity for our cohort, as it helps build those all-important soft skills that can be referred to in future applications.

#### **ESAT**

Our budding scientists and aspiring Oxbridge candidates have now completed their ESAT assessments - a challenging but rewarding milestone. We wish them the very best of luck as they move forward to the next stages of their applications.

#### **EARLY APPLICANTS - OXBRIDGE AND BEYOND**

A reminder that the Oxbridge, Medicine, Dentistry, and Veterinary application deadline is fast approaching. Final drafts of personal statements are being reviewed, and it's fantastic to see how these applications have developed over time. Students should ensure their applications are submitted well ahead of the deadline to allow for any final checks and feedback.

#### **UCAS - YEAR 13 APPLICANTS**

Our Year 13 students should now be working on their second or third drafts of their UCAS applications. Please don't leave submission until the last minute - submitting early ensures your tutors and the Sixth Form team can provide the detailed feedback and support your application deserves.

Form Tutors and the Sixth Form support staff are available now to help - make full use of their expertise to strengthen your applications.

#### **YEAR 12 GROUP PHOTO**

If you would like to place an order for this group photo, students can collect the QR code available in the Sixth Form reception area, or alternatively, please use the link provided to [Vancols Photography](#) and enter the following access code:

**C40-3DB-26B1**

## KEY INFO

- [Sixth Form Dress Code](#)
- [School photo code: C40-3DB-26B1](#)
- [Martin Lewis: Five things EVERYONE needs to know about student finance 2025/26](#)
- [UCAS - Search / Open Days and Events](#)
- [Explore Forage](#)
- [This is what makes us special ...](#)
- [Student finance](#)
- [Preparing for Your Future: UCAS, CVs, and Degree Apprenticeships.](#)
- [Year 13 UCAS applications parents' guide](#)

## SUPPORT

### Emotional and Physical Support:

Bedfordshire Counselling Service: [Open Door](#)  
Hitchin Counselling Service: [HCS](#)  
Mental Health Charity: [Young Minds](#)  
Mental Health Support: [Kooth](#)  
HelpLines: [Samaritans](#)  
Sexual Health: [iCaSH](#)  
Vaping: [Childline](#)  
Delete social media: [BBC](#)  
Remove nude images: [NSPCC](#)  
ETA Safeguarding: [Etonbury Safeguarding](#)  
NHS Mental Health Crisis Line: i111 and selects option 2

### Academic Support:

Funding: [Harper Trust](#)  
Funding: [Sutton Trust](#)  
Funding: [Connolly Foundation](#)  
Bursary: [16 - 19 Bursary](#)

## DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS

- [Degree Apprenticeships Presentation 2024/25](#)
- [Occupation Maps](#)
- [STAR](#)
- [Unifrog](#)
- [Bedfordshire Raising Aspirations - LinkedIn](#)

## REGISTRATION REMINDER

If leaving the school site for any reason, including but not limited to driving lessons, medical appointments, use of the Pembleton gym, or Year 13 students taking one of their ten off-site periods, students must have parental permission through the completion of the appropriate forms (found under the Contact Details section of this bulletin) or through direct contact with the school. They must also sign out using the Chromebook on Mrs. Schumann's desk.

## KEY DATES

Yr USA trip - 22<sup>nd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October  
Yr 11 Sixth Form Open Evening - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November  
Yr 12 English and Math resist - 4<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> November  
Yr 12 Art & Photography mock - 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> December  
Yr 12 UCAS discovery trip / ExCel London: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March

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Driving Lesson / Test - Permission Form: [Driving Permission Form](#)  
Gym Permission Form: [Gym Permission Form](#)

## STUDENT NOTICES

Would you like to run Chess Club on a Thursday lunchtime?...  
If yes, please speak with Miss Schumann

Hearing Readers starts this Tuesday during break in B2

Degree Apprenticeships - guest speaker - Thursday lunchtime in B2

## EXAM INFORMATION

[Please use this link to find information on when your exams are taking place](#)

[YEAR 12 & 13 BTEC EXAM DATES 2026](#)

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This bulletin was designed by our Sixth Form students, we hope you find it informative and fun!