



### Sixth Form Message

#### UCAS Applications - Oxbridge Applications Update

We are delighted to announce that we have submitted four Oxbridge and one medicine applications this week!

We wish all our early applicants the very best of luck as they take this exciting next step.

Please be assured that support will be available at every stage of the application process, from admissions tests through to interviews. We have a range of resources and support in place, and as part of a consortium of sixth forms, we are also able to share expertise and resources to help our students throughout the journey.

Our focus now turns to the remaining cohort, who are working hard to complete their applications. I am pleased to say that we already have some applications ready to submit, and we hope to send these off before the half-term break.

A reminder to all students that university applications must now be a priority. Once we return after half term, time will fly, so please make the most of the coming weeks to ensure your applications are completed and submitted on time. Good luck to everyone involved- we are proud of your hard work and ambition!

#### Apprenticeships

Are you looking for an apprenticeship?

This webinar: [How to search and apply for apprenticeships](#) on the 21st October will guide you through the main apprenticeship vacancy platforms, including the Government's Find an Apprenticeship website.

By the end of the session, you will:

- ◆ Understand where to find apprenticeship vacancies and how to apply.
- ◆ Understand application processes and what employers are looking for.
  - ◆ Explore common application pitfalls and how to avoid them.
- ◆ Discover resources and support available throughout the application process.

#### Sixth Form Open Evening- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 5-8pm

We will soon be opening our doors to the next cohort of Sixth Formers and need our current students to help on the night as tour guides and subject champions. We know that the Year 11s love hearing about our students' experiences and so we would like as many of our current students as possible to help at this event. Equally, if you know of a year 11 who is considering their post 16 options, please let them know to save the date!

#### USA trip 20th-26th October 2027

We are delighted to be offering Etonbury Sixth form students the opportunity to visit New York and Washington again in 2027. This trip is open to all students currently in year 12 regardless of their area of study. The following letter provides more information about the amazing opportunity: [USA Trip Letter](#)

#### Re-sit Timetable

Re-sit timetables are now live on the student portal and MCAS.

#### Absence Reporting

Please report your child's absence directly through the MCAS app using the Report an Absence feature. [MCAS guidance](#). If you have any difficulties reporting via the MCAS app you can still use the following email address: [eta-sixthformattendance@bestacademies.org.uk](mailto:eta-sixthformattendance@bestacademies.org.uk)

## NOTICES

### Sixth Form Trip

A 7-day trip to New York & Washington DC for Year 12 students, with a Humanities & Business focus.

Statue of Liberty • 9/11 Memorial • Central Park • Times Square • White House • Lincoln Memorial • Museums • Shopping & more!

Estimated cost: £2,500 including flights (some additional costs apply).

Register your interest by 21st September. No commitment or guarantee of a place.

**Expression of interest form**

## KEY INFO

- [Degree Apprenticeship presentation](#)
- [Sixth Form Dress Code](#)
- [School photo code: Ca4-8e9-ec1e](#)
- [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](#)
- [Face Family Advice](#)
- [MenB \(meningococcal B\) vaccination programme from July 2026](#)
- [UCAS parents' guide](#)
- [Year 13 mock timetable. Timetable](#)
- [Yr 12 Information Evening - presentation](#)

## EXAM INFORMATION

Please use this link to find information on when your exams are taking place

[JCQ CANDIDATE INFORMATION](#)

## KEY DATES

**Ski trip information evening- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

**GCSE maths & English resits- 4th-9<sup>th</sup> November**

**Yr13 Travel & Tourism trip - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November**

**Polecon trip- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

**Year 13 mocks- Jan 5<sup>th</sup> to Jan 12<sup>th</sup> : [Timetable](#)**

**GCSE and ALevel certificate Collection- Mon 4<sup>th</sup> January 2027 - 9am - 11am**

**UCAS Discovery London 2027- Monday 15th March**

**Work Experience Week- week commencing July 5<sup>th</sup>**

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**Driving Lesson & Gym- Permission Form**

## DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS

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

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



## YOU ARE NOT ALONE – SUPPORT FOR SIXTH FORM STUDENTS

### EMOTIONAL & PHYSICAL SUPPORT



#### BEDFORDSHIRE COUNSELLING – OPEN DOOR

Web: [bedfordopendoor.org.uk](http://bedfordopendoor.org.uk).  
Call: 01234 360388. Text: 07922 105200.

#### HITCHIN COUNSELLING SERVICE (HCS)

Web: [hitchincounsellingservice.org.uk](http://hitchincounsellingservice.org.uk).  
Call: 07783 887772.

#### YOUNGMINDS – MENTAL HEALTH CHARITY

Web: [youngminds.org.uk](http://youngminds.org.uk).  
Crisis Text Line: YM to 85258.

#### KOOTH – ONLINE SUPPORT

Web: [kooth.com](http://kooth.com).

#### THE OSBORNE TRUST – CANCER SUPPORT

Web: [theosbornetrust.org.uk](http://theosbornetrust.org.uk).  
Call: 01296 330134.



### HELPLINES & IMMEDIATE SUPPORT

#### SAMARITANS

Web: [samaritans.org](http://samaritans.org).  
Call: 116 123 (24/7 Free).



#### NHS MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS LINE

Call: 111 (Option 2).



### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

#### CHILD BEREAVEMENT UK

Web: [childbereavementuk.org](http://childbereavementuk.org).  
Call: 0800 028 8840.



#### CRUSE BEREAVEMENT CARE

Web: [cruse.org.uk](http://cruse.org.uk). Call: 0808 808 1677.

#### GRIEF ENCOUNTER

Web: [griefencounter.org.uk](http://griefencounter.org.uk). Call: 9002 0111.  
Call: 0808 802 0111.

#### HOPE AGAIN

Web: [hopeagain.org.uk](http://hopeagain.org.uk).  
Call: 0808 808 1677.



### SAFEGUARDING

#### ICASH – SEXUAL HEALTH SERVICES

Web: [icash.nhs.uk](http://icash.nhs.uk). Call: 0800 300 3030.

#### CHILDLINE – VAPING & GENERAL HELP

Web: [childline.org.uk](http://childline.org.uk). Call: 0800 1111.

#### BBC OWN IT – DELETE SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDANCE

Web: [bbc.com/ownit](http://bbc.com/ownit)

#### NSPCC / CHILDLINE – REMOVE NUDE IMAGES

Web: [childline.org.uk/remove-image](http://childline.org.uk/remove-image).  
Call: 0808 800 5000.

#### ETA SAFEGUARDING – ETONBURY ACADEMY

Web: [etonbury.org.uk/safeguarding](http://etonbury.org.uk/safeguarding).  
Call: 01462 730331.

### DRUGS, ALCOHOL & ADDICTION ADDICTION SUPPORT



#### FRANK – DRUGS & ALCOHOL ADVICE

Web: [talktofrank.com](http://talktofrank.com).  
Call: 0300 123 6500. Text: 82111.

#### BLMK NHS – DRUG & ALCOHOL SUPPORT

Web: [blmkhealthandcarepartnership.org](http://blmkhealthandcarepartnership.org).  
Call: 0808 175 6993.

### YOUNG CARERS

#### CARERS TRUST YOUNG CARERS

Web: [carers.org/young-carers](http://carers.org/young-carers).  
Call: 0800 772 3000.

