



Sixth Form Message

This half term may have been short, but it has still felt as busy as ever!

In the first week back we welcomed the opportunity to showcase our Sixth Form to Ofsted, highlighting the fantastic cohort of students we have, and demonstrating the facilities and support available to help every student reach their full potential. As you can see in the report, the inspectors were keen to highlight how we develop the learner "Teachers deliver the curriculum well, including in the newly opened sixth form where students receive strong support to study a range of A Level courses" as well as developing the person "Students take pride in contributing both within and beyond the school. For example, pupils lead charity events, including sponsored runs and organising the 'Juniors' Valentine's disco'. Older pupils support younger ones with their learning and well-being". We are so proud that Ofsted recognised the amazing role our Sixth Formers play in our school community and how Etonbury Sixth Form provides expert support for all learners across a fantastic range of courses.

Our Year 13s have now started their final exams, and we wish them all the very best of luck. They have been working so hard over the last two years so this is their opportunity to shine and impress the examiners. We organised a BBQ and awards assembly on Wednesday so students could celebrate the end of their time at Etonbury with their teachers. Luckily the sun shone, Mr Kirkman was an expert on the BBQ and we all enjoyed a fitting end to the students time here. You can see some pictures from the event on the last page of the bulletin.

On Monday June 23rd we are looking forward to welcoming Year 11s into the Sixth Form for their induction day. They will be able to experience what their subject choices look like at KS5, meet the Sixth Form team, enjoy the lovely facilities, including the café and garden and discover more about what Sixth Form is all about.

Our Year 12 mock timetable have been finalised and shared with students. We have attached a copy for easy reference. [Year 12 Mock Exam Timetable](#)

Year 13 Leavers Letters have been disseminated to students and parents. Please find a copy of all communications on our website: [Year 13 - Leavers letter](#)

Chloe Dowden

KEY INFO

- [Sixth Form Dress Code](#)
- [Martin Lewis: Five things EVERYONE needs to know about student finance 2025/26](#)
- [Book and Latté Menu](#)
- [Year 12 - Year Group Photo \(Code: T3H-B9W-Q7HG\)](#)
- [Year 12 - Studying tips/Product Design](#)
- [UCAS - Search / Open Days and Events](#)
- [Explore Forage](#)
- [This is what makes us special ...](#)
- [Student finance](#)

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](#)

KEY DATES

Monday 9th June 2025 Yr 12 and 13: Sixth Form Early Closure P5
Thursday 19th June - Wednesday 25th June - Yr12 Mocks
Thursday 5th June - University of Herts - Taster Day
Monday 30th June to Friday 4th July 2025 - Year 12 Work Experience

COMING UP

Student Finance applications are now open - to assist you, please click on the link provided:
[Student finance - when to apply](#)

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

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DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS

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

STUDENT NOTICES

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[Cambridge - subject taster day](#)

EXAM INFORMATION

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

REMINDER

All students must sign in and out of Sixth Form. There are several ways to do this... you can use the chromebook on my desk or scan the QR code on your lanyard and use your phone.

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