HGSF Weekly Newsletter Monday 24th March 2025



PT Time				
Monday	Key Messages			
Monday Launchpad	Year 12 (Atrium) : VESPA (vision, effort, systems, practice and attitude) and an introduction to UCAS Personal Statements			
	Year 13 (SF8) : Lancaster University, enhancing employability			
Tuesday	Notices			
Wednesday	Year 12 : The Big Conversation			
	Year 13 : The Big Think			
Thursday	Key Messages			
Friday Extended PT	Year 12 (Atrium): Alice John, Assistant Director in Advisory Corporate Finance from the Sports Business Group at Deloitte.			
	Year 13 (SF8) : Applying for Student Finance			

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Wednesday				
26th	March	-	P4	

Gold DofE Campcraft Session SF8 - all Gold DofE students have been advised and must attend

Wednesday 26th March - P5

Y12 (Atrium) at 1.30pm - Visiting Speaker Professor Bill McCaffrey The session will take place during a time you can all attend. Professor Bill will be speaking to you about the common narratives of success and then focusing on some approaches for navigating the uncertainties that commonly confront young people. The session will be part lecture, part workshop focusing on an article by the philosopher A C Grayling.

Y13 are welcome to join.

Thursday 27th March

Y12 and Y13 Parents Evening

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Upcoming				
Tuesday 1st - Wednesday 2nd April	Year 12 Trip: HE+ Residential Cambridge - Students involved have been advised			
Wednesday 2nd April	Sixth Form Early Close - 2.25pm			
Wednesday 9th April	P4 and P5 - Gold DofE Campcraft Session SF8 - all Gold DofE students have been advised and must attend			
Friday 11th April	Sixth Form finishes for Easter			
Monday 28th April	Sixth Form re-opens after Easter			
w/c 28th April	A Level Practical Exams begin			
Tuesday 29th April	UCAS and Gold DofE Information Evening - further details to follow			
Wednesday 30th April	Y13 STEP Prep at CHSF - Students involved have been advised			
Thursday 1st May - Saturday 3rd May	Gold DofE Practice Expedition			
Friday 2nd May	Year 13 Leavers Assembly - Atrium P5			
Monday 5th May	Year 13 Study Leave begins			
w/c 12th May	A Level Written Exams begin			
w/c 12th May	Voice and Confidence Workshop with Tom Morrison - day to be confirmed and students involved will be advised in due course			

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Student Notices:

Year 10 Corpus Christi, Oxford visit: On Monday 24th March, P5, we are hosting a visit from Corpus Christi for some of our Year 10 students in our Atrium. We also have year 10 students from visiting schools. Please be mindful when moving around the building.

Cornerstones: The Cornerstones provide a framework for all aspects of your time in the Sixth Form. They are Academic Aspiration, Culture, Creative and Rhetoric, Competition and Physical Endeavour, Leadership and Service. Throughout year 12 and 13 we celebrate what you do for each cornerstone, and award you a cornerstone pin for each one you complete. Don't forget to let us know of any out of school achievements which would count towards a pin.

Sixth Form Early Close on Wednesday 2nd April: Sixth Form will be closing at **2.25pm** on Wednesday 2nd April.

Y13 Locker Keys & Books on Loan: When on study leave, if you do not require your locker please return your key to the office by Friday 2nd May. Please report any missing keys to the office. If you wish to continue to use your locker during the exam period, please hand your key in by your final exam. You are welcome to borrow books throughout study leave, please return all books by your final exam.

Keeping Classrooms Tidy: Please continue to keep classrooms tidy after use. The cleaning team have seen an increase in staples on the floor in certain classrooms, please be mindful of this and clean up any mess made.

Year 12 Apertura: Monday after school in SF8. Please let Mr Vickers or Miss Lambert know if you cannot attend your group's supervision. The topic this week is **Objects and Essences**.

The 16-19 Bursary: The 16-19 Bursary Fund is a scheme to help students facing financial hardship to continue in full time education after Year 11. We would encourage all students to read the information here, or to see Mrs Gill for further advice. The bursary is discretionary and you do not always need to meet the criteria outlined.

Room Changes:

Wednesday 26th March P4 12A/Mf1 - SF1 13A/Mf1 - SF3 Gold DofE Campcraft - SF8

Year 13 Revision Sessions:

Media: Every Thursday 3:30-4:30 in W5

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Free for any Year 12 & 13 students



Supporting Year 12 and Year 13 students in securing competitive university and apprenticeship places and empowering them to advocate for equality and diversity.

Future Leaders UK is a FREE government-funded initiative delivered in partnership with the University of Oxford, with support from UCAS. We support Year 12 and Year 13 students in securing competitive university and apprenticeship places and empower them to advocate for equality and diversity.

The 200 selected students will engage in a 16-week leadership programme that builds their confidence, develops their skills and increases their access to ambitious post-18 pathways.

Interested students should apply directly on our website www.futureleaders.uk before Friday 28th March at 5pm.



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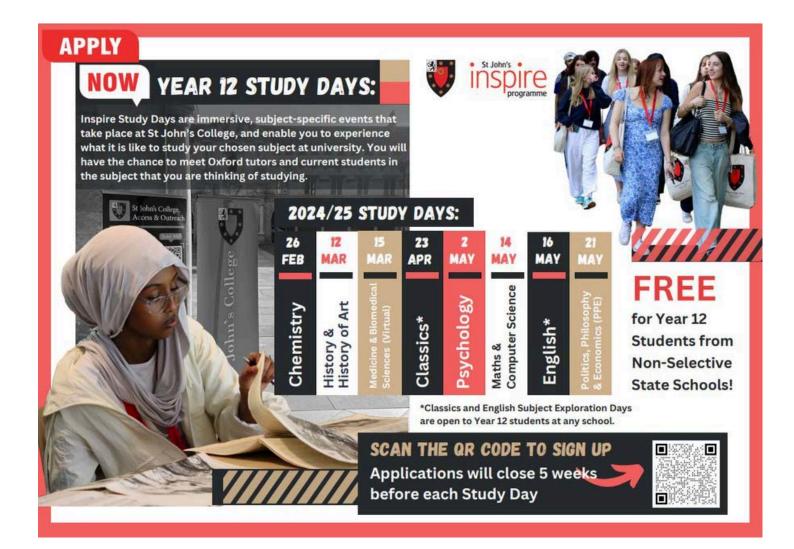
St John's College, Oxford: Study Days

St John's runs several Study Days in a variety of subjects during the academic year. These are run by academics at the university, and offer high achieving students a chance to further explore subjects they may be interested in studying at university.

This year we are offering:

- Psychology 2nd May 2025
- Maths and Computer Science 14th May 2025
- English 16th May 2025

Study Days are free to attend, and travel awards are on offer for students who may otherwise not be able to attend. Students can apply <u>here</u>.



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Newcastle University: Free Virtual Events

Join us online via Zoom on 9, 10, and 15 April, for short evening sessions with new opportunities to:

Join our Get Ahead sessions to explore the student experience at Newcastle and:

- learn new skills
- find out more information about the university
- · ask questions
- see our campus
- · meet current students
- boost your study skills
- attend a subject taster session
- win prizes and have fun!

You'll find out more about our in-degree opportunities, including study abroad, work placements and our careers support, as well as explore our facilities, student societies and much more.

Book Here

Get Ahead: Virtual Event Series

Get Ahead with Newcastle University: Your Future, Your Journey!

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MENTORVERSE

Upcoming Get Into Medicine or Dentistry conferences

This year, with changes to the personal statement structure, it's more important than ever to get it right.

At these conferences, we will dive into the specific qualities and experiences that admissions committees love to see in a personal statement, and most importantly, how to ensure you obtain these experiences in time for their application.

We will also explore:

- Tactically choosing universities
- UCAT Entrance Exam
- Medical & dental school interview skills
- National Leadership Programmes
- Medical/Dental Awards Programmes
- Extracurricular activities
- Work experience
- Building a medical/dental CV
- Applying for scholarships to study medicine and dentistry



For aspiring Doctors: FREE LIVE VIRTUAL Get Into Medicine conference dates:

Sunday 23rd March from 9:30am - 3:30pm Sunday 30th March from 9:30am - 3:30pm

Registration Form



For aspiring Dentists: FREE LIVE VIRTUAL Get Into

Dentistry conference date:

Sunday 6th April from 10:30am - 4:30pm

Registration Form

For more information:

- medicmentor.org
- <u>dental-mentor.org</u>

Previously successful Medical students:

https://medicmentor.org/successful-student-journeys-reviews/

Previously successful Dental students:

https://dental-mentor.org/successful-student-journeys-reviews/

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MOOC.org

Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs)

Free online courses open to everyone. MOOCs offer a flexible and affordable way to learn new skills, advance your career and explore university level education.

You can complete them at your own pace and use then to strengthen your CV and Personal Statements.

Click <u>here</u> for more information

Search for MOOCS here



Springpod

Springpod partners with top employers and universities to offer a wide range of virtual work experience and courses.

Completing a course may earn you a certificate, which can be added to your CV and mentioned in university applications.

The best part? You can work through these at your own pace.

Click here to explore Springpod

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The UniTasterDays Students' Guide to University

The Students' Guide to University 2025 will allow you to make an informed choice about university. It includes articles to help you decide whether university is right for you, what you should study, and where you should study it.

Articles have been provided by over 65 university representatives from across the UK, plus expert leaders from outside the sector, such as Martin Lewis. The guide is supported by HELOA, a membership group for university advisers.

The guide is divided into sections to assist you in every stage of your university journey. These sections include researching your options, attending events, financing your studies, applying, and getting ready for university.

This year, mindful of the cost-of-living crisis, several articles are designed to help you overcome financial difficulty. You'll learn how to explore universities on a budget, secure "free money" to fund your student experience, manage your finances at university, secure a part-time job, and consider more affordable options like studying online.

Download your student guide here

UCAS



UCAS - Chat to students

If you're considering university, UCAS have now integrated UniBuddy into their platform and you can now chat to current university students on courses you'd like to apply to.

This is a great way to conduct more detailed research on your post-18 pathways!

Click here for more information

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Manchester City of Literature



FESTIVAL OF LIBRARIES ANNOUNCED FOR 4-8TH JUNE 2025



BLACK BRITISH BOOK FESTIVAL MANCHESTER



TEXTILE ART CELEBRATING TRAILBLAZING WOMEN EXHIBITION



What's On

Manchester City of Literature is inspired by the possibilities from our city to bring people together to celebrate stories. Here's a selection of what's going on here, whether you're a reader, a writer, you want to support independent publishers or are looking for something to entertain you.

Festival of Libraries:

The joyous celebration of libraries set to take place across Greater Manchester from Wednesday 4 June to Sunday 8 June.

The full programme for the Festival of Libraries 2025 will be announced in early April. In 2024 the festival consisted of 115 events across 5 days and had 44,000 visitors.

Find out more

Black British Book Festival:

The festival will bring the incredible energy, culture and celebration of Black British literature to the city on Saturday 29th March 2025.

Find out more

Book Tickets

Textile Art Celebrating Trailblazing Women:

The work on display was created for International Women's Day projects in 2023 and 2024 and includes a banner and tapestry hoops that celebrate trailblazing women connected with Greater Manchester.

22 September - 30 March 2025

Find Out More

Book Here

Click HERE for more events

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The topic this week is Objects and Essences.

24th and 31st March - Objects and Essences

7th and 28th April - Basic Logic

12th and 19th May - Logic Puzzles

2nd and 9th June - Lying



Objects and Essences



Logic Puzzles



Basic Logic



'Truth is entirely and absolutely a matter of style'.

Oscar Wilde



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