

HGSF Weekly Newsletter

Monday 6th October 2025



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PT Time	
Monday	Key Messages
Monday Launchpad	Year 12 (Atrium) : Academic Profile
Tuesday	Notices
Wednesday	Year 12 : The Big Conversation Year 13 : The Big Think
Thursday	Year 12 and Year 13 : Sixth Form Cabinet Chair Voting in Refectory
Friday Extended PT	Year 12 (SF7/8) : What is the science behind mindfulness? Year 13 (Atrium) : Study Skills with Jacob O'Neil from Lancaster University

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What's on this week

Monday 6th October	Royal Literary Fund Academic Writing Workshops, P1 and P2 - <i>year 13 students involved have been advised</i>
Monday 6th October	Y12 Careers Fair, 12:15pm-12.45pm, Hall - <i>attendance is expected, the event will be a useful opportunity to explore Post 18 Pathways. Year 13 are also welcome to attend.</i>
Tuesday 7th October	World Mental Health Day
Friday 10th October	First Sixth Form Cabinet Meeting

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Upcoming

Monday 13th October	Royal Literary Fund Academic Writing Workshops, P1 and P2 - <i>year 13 students involved have been advised</i>
Wednesday 15th October	Anti-Slavery Day
Wednesday 15th October	Y13 STEP Prep at CHSF - <i>students involved have been advised</i>
Wednesday 15th October	Y13 UCAS official Early Applicant Deadline
Thursday 16th October	Y12 and Y13 parents evening
Friday 17th October	Sidney Sussex Oxbridge -Preparing for Interviews Event - <i>more information to follow</i>
Saturday 18th October	Y13 Trip: Scarefest at Alton Towers
Wednesday 22nd October	Hazel Grove High School Open Evening - <i>Please complete the form at the end of the newsletter if you would like to volunteer to help</i>

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Upcoming

Friday 24th October	Inset Day - Finish for Half Term
Monday 3rd October	Return to school after Half Term
Wednesday 5th October	Hazel Grove Sixth Form Open Evening
Tuesday 11th November	UCAS Creative Future Trip - <i>further details to follow</i>
Wednesday 12th November	Voice Coaching with Tom Morrison - <i>students involved will be advised in due course</i>
Wednesday 12th November	Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) Event at CHSF - <i>further details to follow</i>
Thursday 13th November	Manchester University Engineering Challenge at Etihad stadium - further details to follow
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Student Notices:

Sixth Form Study Spaces: To help everyone make the most of their time in Sixth Form, please be reminded of the following expectations regarding the use of study spaces:

- **Study Centre:** This space is designated for silent study only. Please respect others by maintaining a quiet environment at all times.
- **Refectory:** Collaborative study is welcome here. If you're working in pairs or groups, this is the appropriate space to do so.
- **IT Suite:** You may use the IT Suite for independent study when there are no lessons scheduled in the room.
- **Classrooms:** These can currently be booked for individual or collaborative study. However:
 - If more than one student is using a classroom, all students must be actively studying.
 - Classrooms are not to be used as social spaces, including during breaks and lunchtimes.

Year 12 & Year 13 Parents' Consultation Evening: Thursday 16th October. Please make appointments directly with your subject teachers – slips will be handed out this week. You can also make an appointment with Mrs Lambert to discuss Futures, UCAS applications, Personal Statements, A Level Results Day, Clearing and other such matters.

Student Name:	
Subject	Time

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.

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Free (Y12 and Y13) Online Subject Tasters with The University of Sheffield

Throughout the autumn term, there are a wide range of free opportunities for students to experience what it is like to study different subjects at the University of Sheffield.

Arts and Humanities - Subject tasters

Department	Title	Date	Time	Location
History	Who cares about mental illness? (1945-2007)	Tuesday 21st October	19:00-20:30	Online
English Language and Linguistics	What do we pay attention to when we listen to accents?	Wednesday 22nd October	17:00-18:30	Online
English Literature	How to Die Like a Romantic Poet	Wednesday 29th October	17:00-18:30	Online
English Literature	Othello: Race in early modern England	Wednesday 12th November	17:00-18:30	Online
East Asian Studies	The Power of 'Looking Back' in East Asian Popular Culture	Wednesday November 12th	17:30-19:00	Online
History	Where does Latin America fit in the history of the Cold War?	Wednesday 19th November	17:00-18:30	Online
Philosophy	What is Freedom and why should we value it?	Wednesday 3rd December	17:00-18:30	Online

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Social Sciences - Subject tasters

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Architecture	Communicating Architecture and Design	Monday 13th October	17:00 - 18:15	Online
Journalism	What Would You Do? Ethical Dilemmas in Journalism	Wednesday 15th October	17:00-18:30	Online
Landscape	How to analyse and draw a landscape	Wednesday 15th October	17:00-18:15	Online
Economics	Environmental Economics - What is the right amount of pollution?	Thursday 16th October	17:00-18:15	Online
Physical Geography	Applying what we learn from Geography in dealing with natural disasters	Monday 20th October	17:00-18:15	Online
Sociological Studies	How can we better understand and impact people's health and wellbeing?	Wednesday 22nd October	17:00-18:15	Online
Urban Studies and Planning	Planning the healthy city	Tuesday 4th November	17:00-18:15	Online
Politics	The new 'crisis of masculinity' and the future of gender politics in Britain	Wednesday 5th November	17:00-18:30	Online
Management	What Makes a Good Leader? Understanding Leadership and Teamwork	Thursday 6th November	17:00-18:15	Online
Data Science	Large Language Models: How does ChatGPT work anyway?	Tuesday 11th November	17:00-18:15	Online
Human Geography	Electoral Geographies, Youth Voting and Digital Technology	Thursday 13th November	17:00-18:15	Online

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Health - Subject tasters

Department	Title	Date	Time	Location
Pharmacy	Pharmacy: More than counting tablets	Thursday 23rd October	16:00-17:15	Online
Speech and Language Therapy	Speech Sound Difficulties in Children	Thursday 6th November	16:00-17:15	Online
Orthoptics	More than meets the eye - the fascinating science behind vision assessment	Wednesday 12th November	16:30-17:45	Online
Nursing (limited spaces)	Preparing a Patient for Procedure	Wednesday 26th November	10:00-12:00	On campus
Nursing	The Endocrine System	Wednesday 19th November	16:15-17:45	Online

Science - Subject tasters

Department	Title	Date	Time	Location
Psychology	Why are we always distracted?	Wednesday 8th October	17:00-18:30	Online
Maths	How do we tell knots apart?	Wednesday 29th October	17:00-18:30	Online
Physics	Particle physics at CERN	Wednesday 5th November	17:00-18:30	Online
Bioscience	Targeting Cancer - How Understanding Cells Leads to Cures	Thursday 6th November	17:00-18:30	Online
Chemistry	Using redox chemistry to push cancer cells over the edge	Wednesday 19th November	17:00-18:30	Online

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Engineering - Subject tasters

Department	Title	Date	Time	Location
Civil & Structural Engineering	Strengthening against Earthquakes	Wednesday 8th October	17:00-18:15	Online
Chemical Engineering	Optimizing your future with Chemical Engineering	Tuesday 14th October	17:00-18:30	Online
Materials Science & Engineering	From Engines to Atoms	Wednesday 15th October	17:00-18:30	Online
Computer Science	Machine Learning and Data Science	Thursday 16th October	17:00-18:00	Online
Mechanical Engineering	We need Robots in our Sewers	Wednesday 22nd October	17:00-18:00	Online
Aerospace Engineering	What is modern Aerospace Engineering?	Wednesday 5th November	17:00-18:30	Online
Biomedical Engineering	What is Biomedical Engineering?	Thursday 6th November	17:00-18:00	Online
Mechatronics, Robotics & Computer Systems Engineering	Robotics - How can we control and shape our future with robots?	Wednesday 12th November	17:00-18:00	Online
General Engineering	General Engineering: Bringing Disciplines Together to Solve Real-World Problems	Thursday 13th November	17:00-18:00	Online
Electronic and Electrical Engineering	Virtual Arduino Lab - an introduction to Electronic and Electrical Engineering	Thursday 20th November	17:00-18:30	Online

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**Browne
Jacobson**

October Law Work Experience

Tuesday, 28th October from 9:00am - 4:15pm

This event is packed with unrivalled legal insights, an incredible lineup of exclusive speakers, and hands-on career advice from the most prestigious legal figures in the UK. Whether you're planning to work in private practice, join an in-house legal team, or carve your path as a barrister, this event covers everything you need to secure the career of your dreams.

In addition, you will be the first to hear about the brand-new Barrister Apprenticeship programme. Browne Jacobson will be one of the first UK law firms to offer this route, and they will launch their applications at the event!

We're thrilled to announce our keynote speaker, Ellie Reeves (Rachel Reeves' younger sister, the UK Chancellor of the Exchequer), a British barrister and politician who has served as Solicitor General for England and Wales since September 2025. Eleanor was also the chair of the Labour Party and has held many other high-profile positions within the political and legal landscape.

Other Speaker Line-up - Jonathan Tardif, Head of Commercial Disputes at Browne Jacobson, Barbara Mills KC, Chair of The Bar Council and Deputy High Court Judge, Mark Evans, the brand new President of the Law Society of England & Wales, and widely recognised as one of the most influential legal figures in UK law, Nirmal Shant KC HHJ, a Specialist in criminal and fraud cases, Dr Sally Penni MBE, Criminal and Employment Law specialist, published author, and diversity advocate for women in the legal profession, Caroline Green (Senior Partner, Browne Jacobson).

Plus, you'll gain insights from a panel of SQE trainees on how to successfully tackle the Solicitors Qualifying Examination, hear from an ex-Google's DeepMind lawyer on how to navigate a legal career as a neurodivergent individual, and build a personal brand that will help you stand out.

What Makes This Event Different?

No other event offers such a live, comprehensive, real-world look into EVERY area of the legal profession, led by top-tier professionals.

Why Attend?

This event is your direct access to the brightest minds and most successful people in law and a chance to gain actionable advice on navigating your legal career. Whether you're aiming for a law firm, chambers, or an in-house role, the Browne Jacobson FAIRE Virtual Insight Event is designed to help you get there faster, smarter, and with confidence.

All students who complete the work experience will also get a certificate of completion that can be used on LinkedIn profiles, CV's, or any job applications in the future.

[Apply Now!](#)

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Deadline
Extended to
Monday, 3rd
November
2025! 🎉

Future Leaders is a free programme for Year 12 and 13 students, delivered with the University of Oxford.

What students get

- Weekly online sessions (Nov–Jul) – just 20 minutes a week, whenever it suits them
- UCAS and apprenticeship support
- Mentoring from professionals and undergraduates
- Optional work experience with leading employers
- Optional university residentials (including Oxford)
- Optional in-person events in cities such as London, Bristol, Manchester, Nottingham, Sheffield, Telford and Birmingham – with more locations being added

How it runs

- Students complete short, flexible weekly online sessions from October to July, covering practical skills such as exam prep, personal statements, CVs, interviews, LinkedIn, networking, and public speaking.
- Optional extras include fun trips, uni residentials, and work experience – but students can complete the full programme entirely online if they wish.

[Apply Here](#)



➡ ➡ **Join the** ➡ ➡
2025- 2026 cohort!

**Apply before
03/10**

Applications will be considered as they are received, so get them in ASAP!

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**Programme
information**

November 2025
to July 2026

Weekly online
sessions

**Important
details**

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THE LONDON SCHOOL
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Applications are now open for Year 12 students to experience LSE Springboard 2025

The London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) invites your students to join our Springboard Programme – a free, 10-month experience delivered in a hybrid format that gives them a real taste of university life.

[Explore LSE](#)

Why Springboard?

By taking part in the Springboard programme, students will:

- Experience university life first-hand through three immersive visits to LSE, including a final celebratory event with their fellow participants
- Engage in academic enrichment with a specially designed online course led by LSE PhD tutors (in partnership with The Brilliant Club)
- Strengthen their future university applications with tailored personal statement support and webinars on all things 'university', from student finance to wellbeing
- Build their confidence and community as they connect with like-minded students from across the UK

What's more, participants who successfully complete the Springboard programme and later apply to LSE will be considered for a contextual offer!

Key details

- The programme begins in January 2026 with applications closing at **11:59pm on Sunday 9th November 2025**
- It is free for your students to participate, as activities and travel are fully funded by LSE
- The programme is specifically designed to reach students who live outside of London and the South East of England. To check your eligibility and details on how they can apply, please check out our admissions page.

[Apply Today](#)

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**Manchester
Lit&Phil**



Raising Curiosity: The Rochdale Science Initiative A Community's Journey into STEM

Thursday 16th October, 6:30pm

Location

International Anthony Burgess Foundation
3 Cambridge Street, Manchester, M1 5BY

Price: £15.00 General Admission / £6.00 Students / Members
book for FREE

From a museum trip with his son to a town-wide celebration of science, Mohammed Rahman shares the story behind the Rochdale Science Initiative C.I.C (RSI) and its flagship event, the Rochdale Science Extravaganza. What began in 2017 with 500 attendees has grown into a volunteer powered movement that now attracts thousands. The goal is simple and bold: make STEM accessible for families who do not always see themselves represented in science spaces.

In this interview with Manchester Lit and Phil, Mohammed reflects on how a father's quest to answer his child's big questions became a civic mission. Expect a candid conversation about building trust in science through culture, faith, and family, meeting people where they are, in the spaces they already use, and turning curiosity into confidence. You will hear how RSI nurtures a community of volunteers, creates pathways for young people to stay with STEM, and partners with museums, universities, schools, and faith groups to bring hands on science into everyday life.

This year's climate change theme shows RSI's approach in action: relevant, practical, and hopeful. We will explore how the team finds speakers and presenters from across Greater Manchester, blends grants with community giving and in kind support, and keeps events welcoming, multilingual, and family friendly. Along the way, Mohammed, recognised by the British Science Association as a community role model, shares what has worked, what has not, and the simple steps any neighbourhood can take to start something similar.

[Book NOW](#)

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We are looking for volunteers to help at the Hazel Grove High School Open Evening on Wednesday 22nd October and the Hazel Grove Sixth Form Open Evening on Wednesday 5th November. If you would like to help please complete the form below by Friday 17th October.

HGHS & HGSF Open Evening Volunteers

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Open Evening

Wednesday 5th November 2025
6pm to 8.45pm

Find out about the A Level courses we offer and how to apply for a place. Scan the QR code to register your interest.



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