

Sixth Form Student Bulletin
Week beginning Monday 13th January 2020 (Week B)

Mock Exams (4 weeks to go....) – have you started a revision timetable yet? If you are struggling to get started, please see one of us.

- **Business/ IT / Health and Social exams are taking place this week on Monday, Tuesday and Friday, so really good luck to everyone involved. Please make use of late opening in the Common Room after school as a good place to revise.**
- **If you have an afternoon exam you can revise at home in the morning - if that is the best place for you to revise.**

Level 3 Business:

Unit 3 - Monday 13th Jan am

Unit 15 - Tuesday 14th Jan am

Level 3: Health and Social Care

Unit 4 – Tuesday 14th Jan pm

Level 2 - IT:

Unit 2 - Friday 17th Jan am

- **10th -14th February: Year 12 and 13 Mock Exam Week**

You should have created a revision timetable by now and booked time of work for the weekend before and week of the exams....if you haven't then please do so as soon as possible.



6th Form recycling programme

- **Please use the box in the common room to recycle pens, highlighters, tippex etc.**
- **We now also have a box for crisp packets to be put in for recycling....please do your bit.**

UCAS Update

The absolute deadline for sending is 15th January at 6.00pm. Most people have sent off their applications (51 of you) but there are a few of you left who need to send applications.....

I will stay late on Tuesday 14th (until 7.00 pm) to send applications- so please plan around that. Email me or see me to arrange a time. Please check with your tutor and Mrs Booth that references are ready. You need to have let me see your personal statement before Tuesday.

University Offers: Please don't reply to offers until you have discussed them with your tutor and me.

The Common Rooms and Study rooms

The Common Room is open until 6.00pm each day



Thank you for the care and consideration exercised in the Common Room. It has been great to see so many of you using it already to work in before and after school.

Study rooms

If you have a group task that is going to involve you needing to talk to each other, during study periods, please see Mrs Booth who will do her best to find a space in school for you to work. The list of free rooms (amended slightly) is on the Common Room door. However, we had a complaint this week about the misuse of one of the D & T Rooms. Please always treat all classrooms with respect and be aware that staff often want to work in their non- contact room in a classroom, so please check they are ok with you also working there.

Signing in and out: Thank you for signing in and out of school. This is essential from a safeguarding point of view

School security:

Please also do not open the secure doors by the main entrance for anyone and if you realise that you have done so then alert the reception staff
Please wear your lanyard at all times in school.

A Mathematics message from Mr Jolly

Maths Drop-in Sessions Every Thursday 15:05-16:00 in T12: Maths Drop-in Sessions will run every Thursday until the final exam in the summer. These sessions are a superb opportunity to maximise the effectiveness of the independent study you are doing by giving you individual support and advice from our team of highly experienced teachers. Sessions are open to any student studying Mathematics in the 6th Form, whether it is A-level, AS-Level or GCSE, Further Mathematics or Mathematics. This is not a lesson, you can drop-in for as long as you wish, there are no set tasks, you simply bring the work you are finding difficult and get the support you need to be successful. We look forward to seeing you there, Mr Jolly on behalf of the KS5 Maths Team.



**Happy Birthday to:
Adam Rounce – 14th January**

Enrichment (We need to know where you are.....)

YOU MUST SIGN OUT WITH MRS BOOTH IN THE COMMON ROOM if you finish before 3.05pm.

Joke of the week:

What did the toilet roll complain about?

Financial help in the Sixth Form

If you think you may qualify for a financial payment, please use the following link <https://www.kimberleyschool.co.uk/sixth-form/> If you have received free school meals in Year 11 or your parents have an NHS Exemption certificate you will certainly be entitled to a monthly payment from school to help you. Additionally, if your parents earn less than £20,000 you will be entitled to help. If the household income is less than £25,000 you may also get some help. If you have received free school meals in the past you are entitled to them again, from the 6th Form canteen. Please talk to Mrs Booth if you are worried about this.

Joke Answer:



“People just keep ripping me off!”

School Nurse: The school nurse is available every Wednesday lunchtime, to offer confidential advice and support.

Emails

Please keep checking your emails, these are a vital tool for helping us communicate important information to you. If you have any problems with your school email account, please go and see our ICT staff or mention it to Mrs Booth.

SMHW: You should all have login details for this, please see Mrs Booth if you have forgotten yours.

Ready to learn

Teachers will normally set you work that involves preparing for the next lesson, such as reading through the next topic and making notes on the content of the forthcoming lesson. If you fail to do this you will not be ready to learn and your progress, given the amount of sheer content at A Level, will be seriously affected. Please be, '**Ready to Learn**'.

Year 12s – Community Service

The easiest to arrange is helping in one of your study periods in a lesson with younger students. So see a member of staff you would like to work with and ask.

Miss Charlton always needs volunteers to help at the Tea and Toast Breakfast Club during the week, especially on Monday and Thursday mornings, from 8:15am until 8:40. Please see Miss Charlton if you are interested in supporting her club.



Lockers : If you would like a sixth form locker please see Mrs Booth. We need a deposit of £5 which you will get back when you return the key.

Tea and Coffee in the Common Room



Please use the honesty box and pop in as much as you can every now and again. **PLEASE WASH YOUR CUPS AND KEEP THE AREA CLEAN AND TIDY**

Safety alert: Hot drinks-please don't walk around school with hot drinks unless they are in a covered top cup.

Please do not take holidays in term time. Please do not book holidays during term time. Please talk to your parents about this. Year 12 break up for the summer on 24th July next year so please ensure your parents know this. A2 courses start as soon as AS exams are over.

Events and Opportunities:



Peterhouse Residential 2020 (Cambridge University)

Applications for the 2020 Year 12 Residential trips are now open. These can be great for pupils who are thinking about applying to Cambridge but aren't sure, or those who have a specific subject interest that they'd like to explore further. Details for the Peterhouse CanBridge Residential can be found here: <https://www.pet.cam.ac.uk/canbridge-residential-2020>. Pupils can apply for Residential trips at four other colleges using the same form, so even if they're not eligible for Peterhouse's trip, they may still receive a place on another. Please do encourage your pupils to apply! Applications for our trip will close on **January 26th**, but the other college deadlines are later in the year.

If you want to attend an event that will take you out of school please discuss with one of the 6th Form team.

Nuffield Research Placements are now OPEN

[Nuffield Research Placements](#) give sixth form students hands-on experience of a professional research environment through a 4-6 week placement in their summer holidays. By working with professional researchers, students gain insight into a wide variety of STEM careers, they are able to make more informed choices about what to do after school or college. By providing a placement, your organisation can give someone a life-changing opportunity that will help transform them into a future scientist. Projects must have broadly scientific or technical content, but they don't have to be based in a laboratory. They might be office-based or include a lot of fieldwork, or they might focus on engineering, data analysis, psychology, economics, forensics, law or computer science. We make sure no-one is excluded on a financial basis by covering students' travel costs, and some students may also be eligible for a weekly bursary in addition to travel expenses

You should meet the following criteria if you want to apply:

- Be over 16 years old and in Year 12
- Have at least 5 GCSEs (or equivalent) at Level 6 or above, including maths, a science subject and English (or another humanities subject).
- Be studying one or more A-level in science, technology, geography, psychology, maths.
- Be able to spend four weeks of your summer holiday working on a research project.

You **must also meet at least one** of the following criteria:

- Your family has a combined household income of below £30,000 a year.
- You are entitled to free schools meals, either now or at any time in the last six years.
- You live, or have lived, in local authority care.

Follow this link WPOutreach@nottingham.ac.uk to find out more about what opportunities and events Nottingham University are holding over the next few months for Post 16 students. (Too much content to print here but various career choices are covered.)

Career opportunities : [Cyber Discovery](#), a UK government-backed cyber security programme for teenagers is now open to students from aged 13. It offers a free, online training programme aimed at inspiring the next generation of cyber security stars.

The [Inspiring Minds series of taster days](#) for Yr 12 student at Loughborough University are free to attend and cover a range of topics around higher education. Schools can now register their interest for information on the 2019-2020 programme. For more open days visit our [College Open Days](#) web page.

Resources: REMINDER! There is a helpful [guide to higher and degree apprenticeships](#) available on the Gov.UK website.

News Items of the week

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Ukraine jet downed by Iranian missile, western officials believe

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The passenger jet that crashed shortly after takeoff from Tehran on Wednesday was accidentally shot down by an Iranian anti-aircraft missile, western security officials believe.

Intelligence sources told the Guardian their assessments suggest two surface-to-air missiles had targeted the Ukraine International Airlines Flight 752 that went down in Iran on Wednesday morning, killing all 176 people on board.

The Canadian prime minister, Justin Trudeau, speaking at a hastily convened press conference yesterday, said his government "will not rest" until it got justice.

Of the 176 people on board, 79 were Iranian, 63 were Canadian and 11 were Ukrainian (including nine crew members), along with 10 Swedes, seven Afghans, three Britons and three German nationals.

"We have intelligence, including from our allies and own intelligence that the plane was shot down by Iranian surface-to-air missiles," Trudeau said. "Canadians want answers. That

means transparency, accountability and justice."

Western agencies are understood to have picked up signals of the missile launches followed by the traces of an explosion. A British source said: "The assessment is that it looks like it is a tragic accident."

The passenger aircraft crashed in farmland on the outskirts of Tehran a few hours after Iran had launched more than a dozen missiles at US forces stationed in Iraq, during a period when Revolutionary Guards commanders say they were expecting an imminent US response and were on high alert.

The revelation that the plane might have been shot down will prompt a reassessment of the consequences of Donald Trump's decision to assassinate the Iranian general Qassem Soleimani last week, an escalation of hostilities that brought the region to the brink of all-out conflict.

Iranian officials yesterday rejected the western intelligence assessments. "Scientifically, it is impossible that a missile hit the Ukrainian plane, and such rumours are illogical," Ali Abedzadeh, the head of Iran's of Civil Aviation Organisation, told a state-run media outlet.

Separately, US media outlets quoted officials saying their satellites had identified the signature of an Iranian anti-aircraft battery being activated shortly before the aircraft went down a few minutes after taking off at 6.13am on Wednesday. The officials said they had identified infrared signals from two suspected missiles launched followed shortly afterwards by an infrared blip from the burning and fatally disabled plane.

Trump told reporters yesterday he had "suspicions" the plane might have been mistakenly shot down. "Someone could have made



Top royals scramble to forge plan for Meghan and Harry

Caroline Davies and Ben Quinn

The Queen, Prince of Wales and Duke of Cambridge have instructed their senior aides to work with the UK and Canadian governments to help carve out new roles for the Duke and Duchess of Sussex within "days not weeks".

The three most senior royals were engaged in crisis talks yesterday after Prince Harry and Meghan's bombshell announcement that they are to "step back" from being senior royals and split their time between Britain and North America. Palace officials hope a resolution, with a fully worked out and agreed plan, can be announced in days to help achieve the couple's ambitions for "progressive" new roles.

Royal aides have been told to work with the Sussexes and government representatives "at pace", according to sources. There is said to be a willingness to make

▲ The Queen was given no warning of the Duke and Duchess of Sussex's plan to announce they were stepping back from their royal roles PHOTOGRAPH: MATT DUNHAM/PA

Thought for the Week:

With revision for the mocks in mind.....



**NOTHING
WORTH HAVING
COMES EASY**