Sixth Form Student Bulletin Week beginning Monday 3rd February 2020 (Week A)

Mock Exams (1 week to go....)

- Tuesday 4th February World Cancer Day please wear something pink and pay £1 to raise money for Cancer Research
- > Saturday 8th February –school is open for revision 10.00am-4.00pm Please sign in and out. The common Room and other spaces will be available.
- ➤ 10th February Mock Exam Week. Please wait outside the halls from 8.50am at the latest for a morning exam and from 12.50am for an afternoon one.
- > 14th February break up at the end of school for half-term
- > 3rd March- Mock Results' Assembly
- > 9th 13th March Sport Relief Week
- 12th March Year 12 and 13 Parents' Evening

You should have created a revision timetable by now and booked time off work for the weekend before and the week of the exams.....

Please attend revision sessions that staff are giving up their time to run.



Charity Matters



1. Please wear something PINK

and pay a £1 to raise money for

Cancer Research.

We need lots of you to collect money from staff wearing pink and to help sell cakes at break and lunch. If you can bake some cakes or cookies that would be great.

2. We are selling roses and flowers for The Emily Barker Trust Fund. On

14th February (Valentine's Day) roses and sweets will be hand delivered around school.

We need lots of you to be outside the common room at break and lunchtime to sell roses and sweets and take orders from staff and students. We need lots of you to deliver the orders on the 14th February too- so if you don't have an exam on the Friday please let Mrs Booth know.

University Offers

Please don't reply to offers until you have discussed them with your tutor and Mrs Livings. I have been really pleased this week with the number of you asking to talk through offers. This is a massive decision and needs lots of thought and weighing up what is best for you.

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.

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.

New notice for Year 12 and 13 Girls

Free Sanitary Towels are available in locker cabinet S14 (4th locker down). This is a new government initiative to make sure all girls have access to products during their periods. The aim is for anyone who may have financial difficulty buying such products to be able to get them in school.

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

School security:

Please 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.



The 6th Form recycling programme

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

A Mathematics message from Mr Jolly

There will be revision sessions for the next two Wednesdays of this half term on the following topics. All sessions will be held in LR1, starting at 15:15 and ending at 16:00

Wed 5th Feb: Further Integration and Further Differentiation (A2 only)

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.

Psychology and Sociology revision

Sociology with Miss Bird 3.15pm-4.00pm...then Year 13 Sociology in H10 with Mrs Livings at 4.00pm **Psychology** with Miss Bird 4.00pm-4.45pm



Happy Birthday to:

Aaron Greenfield and Mia Marquis – 6th February

Olivia Layzell and Libbi Saxton – 8th February

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.

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.

The Joke this week has been provided by Conner Innes

What's a geologist's favourite type of music?

<u>School Nurse:</u> 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.



<u>Lockers</u>: 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.

Joke Answer

Rock! ©

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.

Does anyone feel like being a tea/coffee/milk monitor, we could do with a group of students volunteering to do the shopping every now and again.

<u>Please do not take holidays in term time.</u> 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.

New Opportunities:

2 Higher Level Apprenticeships events this week.....

The West Bridgford School are once again holding a Higher/Degree Level Apprenticeship Fair for students in Years 11, 12 and 13 who may be interested in finding out more about this pathway. This is being held next week on **Thursday 6th February 2020 6-8pm in the Main School Hall** during National Apprenticeship Week.



For Year 13s who haven't applied to university a degree level apprenticeships is a great option.

Please come on a Friday after school for help applying. For Year 12 students taking the Level 2 course you may well be starting to think about Level 3 Apprenticeships- again see me for help on a Friday after school please.

<u>Level 2 apprenticeships in optical and pharmacy</u> in various locations with Boots are open for registering interest.

BBC trainee schemes and apprenticeships are open for applications to a variety of roles.

Trainee accountant apprenticeship (AAT qual) at Mazars, Nottingham. Starts September 2020. Apply now.

Nestle engineering apprenticeship (level 3). September 2020 start in Tutbury, Staffs. Plus more vacancies in a variety of roles and locations.

The <u>Government Economic Service Degree Apprenticeship Programme (GES-DAP)</u> opens in December. This is an opportunity to work in a central government department or agency while studying for a degree in economics with the University of Kent.

Visit <u>Amazing Apprenticeships Time to Apply</u> for more vacancies including Arts Council in Nottingham, Severn Trent in the East Midlands, Rolls Royce in Derby and many more nationwide roles. <u>Cyber Discovery</u>, 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.

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

<u>News Items of the week:</u> As you will know on Friday the UK left the European Union....

Brexit: What will change after Friday, 31 January?

By Tom Edgington BBC News

• 1 February 2020



Now that the UK has formally left the European Union, it immediately enters an 11-month transition period.

During the transition the UK will continue to obey EU rules and pay money to the EU. Most things will stay the same but there will be some changes: For details of what will stay the same and what will change straight away please follow the link below......

https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-politics-51194363

Thought for the Week: With revision and exams in mind.....



Please also remember the 5 ways to mental well being



Connect... with the people around you. With family, friends, colleagues and neighbours. At home, work, school or in your local community. Think of these as the cornerstones of your life and invest time in developing them. Building these connections will support and enrich you every day.



Be active... Swap your inactive pursuits with active ones. Go for a walk. Step outside. Cycle. Play a game. Garden. Dance. Walk or cycle when making short journeys. Being active makes you feel good. Most importantly, discover a physical activity you enjoy and that suits your level of mobility and fitness.



Take notice... Be curious. Catch sight of the beautiful. Remark on the unusual. Notice the changing seasons. Savour the moment, whether you are walking to work, eating lunch or talking to friends. Be aware of the world around you and what you are feeling. Reflecting on your experiences will help you appreciate what matters to you.



Keep learning... Try something new. Rediscover an old interest. Sign up for that course. Take on a different responsibility at work. Fix a bike. Learn to play an instrument or how to cook your favourite food. Set a challenge you will enjoy achieving. Learning new things will make you more confident as well as being fun.



Give... Do something nice for a friend, or a stranger. Thank someone. Smile. Volunteer your time. Join a community group. Look out, as well as in. Seeing yourself, and your happiness, linked to the wider community can be incredibly rewarding and creates connections with the people around you.

https://www.mind.org.uk/workplace/mental-health-at-work/taking-care-of-yourself/five-ways-to-wellbeing/

There is also lots of information on www.mind.org.uk