

## **Sixth Form Student Bulletin: Week beginning Monday 8th June / Week A**

### **Key dates**

#### **Year 12**

**From the 15<sup>th</sup> June:** Some face to face contact for most subjects will begin to supplement, not replace, on-line learning. Mr George is sending a letter to your parents tomorrow and once that has gone I will send more details.

**Year 12:** Assessments for most subjects start the week beginning 29<sup>th</sup> June over a period of 2 weeks (later than previously mentioned so you have more time).

**End of term:** 24<sup>th</sup> July

#### **Year 12 and 13**

**Results Days:** A level and AS Results Day is the **13<sup>th</sup>** August  
GCSE Results Day is the **20<sup>th</sup>** August.

Year 12: Important update on coming back to school- please look out for messages this week. Your parents will be sent information from Mr George tomorrow.

**Assessments:** In most subjects during the two weeks after the 29th June you will complete an assessment and staff will explain the form this will take. These assessments are to make sure you are coping with your subjects and to see if you need more help before we start back in September. For many of you they will be a great reassurance that you know a lot! So, keep going over your Year 12 work in preparation please.

**Please check SMHW and emails each day:** Thank you for communicating with staff and completing the work being set, it is helping your staff enormously. Please keep emailing and engaging with the work and if you are struggling to access the work, or get everything done on time then please ask your class teacher, tutor or one of the 6<sup>th</sup> Form team for help.

## UCAS and Apprenticeships

We were due to start the UCAS and Apprenticeship programme in the week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> June. We were also going to go on a Higher Education trip as well as having the University of Nottingham in to talk about applications. So, as now this isn't possible we will send out a ppt next week about applying to university and The University of Nottingham are going to send us some on-line materials to start with next week.

We have been including information in the Bulletin for Year 12s thinking about university so please do look at the 'Opportunities section' and make the most of what universities are offering to help you think about courses and locations.

### Year 13

*You will keep being sent the Bulletin- just like in previous years where we have sent the Bulletin out until the end of July to Year 13s. This year it is more important than ever as we are putting key events/ opportunities in it for you. Some key points for you .....*

- The message from staff is that if you still want work, due to being interested or wanting to prepare for university, they are very happy to help you by setting tasks and generally communicating...
- Please look at the Open University opportunities in this Bulletin and on the website - some great free opportunities especially if you haven't applied for university
- If you haven't applied to university and want to please get in touch and I will help
- In terms of universities you will have been sent information about deadlines - please don't miss them and email if you want a chat about choices.
- Please get on with student finance if you have applied for uni- if you are having problems give them a ring.
- Results Day: At the moment we are hoping this will operate as normal with you coming in to school....we will keep you informed
- Please keep checking your school emails
- Please feel free to do the Tuesday quiz!

## Year 12 (AS) and Year 13 Grades

- As you know staff can't discuss their grade recommendations. We do know that the 6<sup>th</sup> Form's previous results will be taken in to account which is a positive factor for all of you. We understand it is an extremely difficult time and if you want to talk then please let one of the 6<sup>th</sup> Form team know and we will give you a call.

### **If you are unwell ( Year 12)**

- **If you are ill, please let the 6<sup>th</sup> Form Team know so that we can alert your class teachers for that day.**

### **Communication**

If you receive an email from your tutor or Mrs Livings/Mrs Booth/Miss Iwanczuk checking you are okay, please respond. This helps us to have an overall picture of your wellbeing and so we can then help support you in any way you need. It isn't to hassle you about work, it is to see if you are okay.

### **Congratulations to last week's Friends quiz winners.**

Two entries this week

1<sup>st</sup> place: Team Roberts

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Team Minoprio

### **Weekly joke: A riddle this week!**

I'm tall when I'm young and I'm short when I'm old. What am I?

## ***Making the most of lockdown.....***

**Conner Innes recommends catching up with the following on Netflix ( thanks Conner):**

**Money Heist** - it is already very popular so I can imagine a lot of people reading the bulletin have already seen all the series, if they haven't, it is a must watch for anyone who is looking for something to watch right now. It's a great Spanish drama on eight criminals robbing the royal mint of Spain and trying to retrieve €2.4 billion, whilst the police try to counter all their next moves.

**Space Force** - This only just came out on Friday and I've managed to watch all ten episodes already because it is that funny. It involves Steve Carell, who plays Mark Naird who is a general in the U.S military, and he has to follow the President's orders to have more people on the moon within 4 years. It's a brilliant show and is very funny so definitely recommend.

**The Last Dance** - This documentary follows the life of ex NBA star Michael Jordan and how his team, the Chicago Bulls, and some of his teammates including Scott Pippen and Dennis Rodman, to view the unaired footage and the backstory on the greatest Basketball team of all time and how they managed to achieve what they did when they were around.

### Other Sixth Form Students Recommend:

Miss Iwanczuk asked for your recommendations of books, films and TV shows you have been enjoying recently. If you have any recommendations, please email them in so they can be included in future weeks.

This week's theme...Crime

Book – Monday Mourning by Kathy Reichs

#### ***Three skeletons are found in a Montreal basement.***

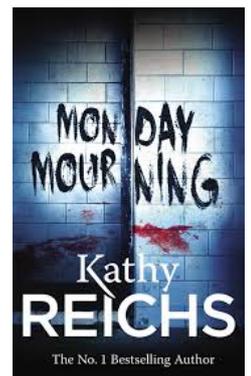
*The building is old, and the homicide detective in charge dismisses the remains as historic. Not his case. Not his concern.*

*Forensic anthropologist Dr Temperance Brennan is not so sure. Something about the bones of these three young women suggests a different message: murder.*

*Soon she finds herself drawn ever deeper into a web of evil from which there may be no escape. Three women have disappeared, never to return. Will Tempe be next?*

The author is a professional forensic pathologist, so uses her incredible experience to create vivid, true-to-life crime thrillers.

**If you like this, you might also enjoy: Rizzoli and Isles books by Tess Gerritson**



Film – Law Abiding Citizen (available on Netflix)

*Law Abiding Citizen is a 2009 American vigilante action thriller film that takes place in Philadelphia, telling the story of a man driven to seek justice while targeting not only his family's killer but also those who have supported a corrupt criminal justice system, intending to assassinate anyone supporting the system*

**If you like this, you might also enjoy: Taken (starring Liam Neeson)**



TV – Brooklyn 99 (available on Netflix and All-4)

A bit of light relief in all the serious crime recommendations. Comedy show based around a police precinct in Brooklyn.

**If you like this, you might also enjoy: Parks and Recreation**



Documentary – The Mind of Aaron Fernandez (available on Netflix)

*The three-part documentary explores his conviction for the murder of Odin Lloyd, other murder cases in which he was a suspect, and the factors in his life that shaped his behaviour.*

**If you like this, you might also enjoy: The Devil Next Door**



**Riddle Answer:**

A: A candle



## **University Offers and Students' finance**

***In terms of finance.....this is the message.....***

The deadline date for applying for student finance in academic year 2020/21 is **12th June 2020**. If you apply after the deadline you're not guaranteed to have money paid into your bank account for the start of term so we recommend you apply as soon as possible if you haven't already. Final cut-off date for applications:

<https://www.gov.uk/student-finance-register-login>

## **Opportunities**

## **Year 12 and Year 13 – University Matters**

Year 12s.... we will be talking more about university in a few weeks but please look at the information below (which Miss Iwanczuk found out on a recent training session) it isn't only for Year 13 there are some helpful bits for you too:

- Universities will be using exam grades as usual, but are waiting on government directive as to whether additional leniency should be applied
- There is obviously some uncertainty regarding numbers as fewer international students will be attending. Currently they are unsure as to whether those places could be offered to UK students in clearing/adjustment, again awaiting government advice
- **Medicine Year 12:** they don't judge on work experience usually anyway, but have suggested that this time could be used for additional wider reading, practising for the UCAT, volunteering online (do-it.org) or joining the virtual shadowing of a GP programme that launches on the 30th April (rcgp.org.uk/observegp)
- If students choose to sit the exams in autumn, this will be considered a first sitting, not a resit. The aim is to limit any disadvantage to the cohort. If they have a place for 2020 and chose to do the exams, current thinking is that they will hold their place for September 2021 start. Again, waiting for government advice.
- If they defer, there is no expectation to sit exams in 2021, as these grades will be held in the same regard as usual A Level grades
- If they miss their usual work experience, but have it planned for after application has been sent off, they could write in their personal statement about what they expect to get out of it
- Current thinking is that there could be UCAS fairs in autumn rather than summer, but that UCAS are also looking at doing online fairs in the summer. Whether they happen in real life will massively depend on social distancing regulations as they do get packed in.
- They are moving their summer schools online, and are still taking applications so this could go in the bulletin for Y12 <https://www2.le.ac.uk/offices/scs/post-16/summer-schools>
- There are some subject resources on here for offer holders <https://le.ac.uk/study/undergraduates/offer-holders>
- **Year 12 there is youtube playlist** at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLkBZZhQeuA80RRX0f914N2IHuZkUgs85n> which has videos on choosing a university, personal statements and note taking.

**[More help for Year 12s thinking about university.....](#)**

**Browse online university events**

**CLICK HERE [to search university events today](#)**

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## Helpful information from the University of Leicester.

**UCAS Updates:** UCAS has now confirmed that the applicant reply deadline, originally 5 May but extended to 19 May, has been further extended now to **18 June 2020**, meaning offer holders who have not yet responded to their offer have a significantly longer period of time in which to make a decision. Prior to the Easter break, UCAS also announced that A Level results day has been confirmed as **13 August 2020** – the date originally planned. GCSE results day will follow a week later.

### **#WednesdayWisdom Webinars**

The team also deliver weekly webinars across a range of topics supporting Year 12 and 13 students with their application journey, starting on **6 May 2020**. These consist of a presentation from the team followed by the opportunity to ask questions to staff and current students on that particular topic. For more information, visit our [webinar webpage](#). Amongst topics such as 'Student Finance' and 'How to Choose a Course and University', we have a webinar dedicated to informing those students who have changed their minds on 'How to Apply Late' and how to do so via UCAS Extra. The first of these talks will be hosted on **20 May 2020** and will be repeated on **24 June 2020** and **22 July 2020**.

We are also in the process of developing a range of materials to aid the transition into higher education for students; if you have any ideas (or preferences) on what these might include, please do let us know!

### **Post-16 Summer Schools – General 20-24 July 2020/Medicine 27-31 July 2020**

Our programme of Post-16 Summer Schools is still going ahead, just not quite as planned!

Due to the current climate we are moving all of our Summer Schools online, and therefore invite your students to apply for a place at our first ever Post-16 Digital Summer Schools. As a brand new offering, we are totally re-designing the programme to suit online delivery and to suit students accessing the materials

in a variety of different ways, at a variety of different times. As I'm sure we have all discovered over the last 6 weeks, what works in person doesn't always work online! As the programmes are developed, we will regularly update our summer school website, so check our [Summer School webpage](#) frequently to see what is on offer.

The new programme will focus on academic content, preparing for and applying to university, skills development and mindfulness and wellbeing as a student. If you have any students who have already applied for our Summer Schools, their application stands and will simply be carried over to the digital events. We're really excited about these and hope to digitally welcome lots of your students in July!

**An opportunity to extend your learning for free..... (this is also on the website)**

<https://www.futurelearn.com>

**Are you interested in a career in the health sector?**

Schools and colleges have closed but with your help we can still stay connected with local students who are interested in a career in the health sector.

We're putting together some short videos of NHS staff to showcase the wide variety of clinical and non-clinical roles available to young people. The videos will be available on the Sherwood Forest Hospitals website at <http://www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk>.

If there are any specific questions that you would like to ask our staff please forward them onto me at [louise.storry@nhs.net](mailto:louise.storry@nhs.net) so that we can ask staff to include the answers in their videos.

**Also:**

The University of Buckingham have sent the following email to us, more details can be found here <https://www.buckingham.ac.uk/study-at-buckingham/visit-us/virtual-information-webinars>

We are offering a series of webinars to explain our different Medicine and Allied Health programmes, including our MB ChB, which has a 4.5-year condensed timetable and January entry point, and our new BSc Podiatric Medicine, which involves identifying and treating complex health problems linked to the foot and lower limbs. For your Year 12 and 13 pupils, who intend to apply to study Medicine, we are offering sessions on how to prepare for a Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) which is a selection method used commonly within Medical School

**An opportunity for help with apprenticeship applications and much more!**

DANCOP have created a bank of online resources covering a set of key workshops that would usually be delivered in person, for learners to access for FREE from the safety of their homes. In Our Online Menu of activities you will find links to a variety of sessions that are here to support KS4 learners with studying from home, preparing for 6<sup>th</sup> Form and College Interviews and apprenticeships; as well as sessions to help KS5 learners with university applications and expectations, student finance, and more!

All sessions are available as downloadable PDF on the following link: <https://www.chesterfield.ac.uk/dancop-learning-resources/>

## Opportunities

If you look on this link you should be able to see the different workshops and talks that are happening: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/career-ready-8334526130>

Some of the sessions are on a specific skill, such as writing a CV, others are on 'Industry Insights' about how different jobs and careers work, for example this Friday Coca-Cola are running one about logistics.

Also.....

## **For Year 13**

On the school website don't forget there are some ideas and opportunities we put together while thinking about things that Year 13 students might benefit from doing once we have finished teaching (<https://www.kimberleyschool.co.uk/life-after-sixth-form>)

Other opportunities are listed below. If you are interested, please discuss with your families, as you may have people at home in high-risk groups and this might affect whether you can go out and work/volunteer.

## NHS

The NHS are recruiting an army of volunteers... You have to be over 18 to play a part - for Year 13's this could be a great opportunity – it could help get students 'foot in the door' and would show future employers that in a national crisis situation the students have the behaviours to rise to and react to challenging situations as they occur. It is not only a great employer encounter it is an excellent exposure/work experience.

<https://www.goodsamapp.org/NHS>

Trusts around the country are currently looking at recruitment..... over the coming days there will be many paid opportunities in the NHS – this may be short term contracts. This may be in Administration/Hotel services (Kitchen cleaning/ Distributing equipment to wards etc....), Logistics (this may be restrictive to over 21's), working in a warehouse and much more.

Please see the links below where the jobs will be posted.

<http://jobs.nuh.nhs.uk/>

<https://www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/jobs>

<https://www.emas.nhs.uk/>

## **News stories of the week: Huge anti-racism protests take place across the world.....**

**BBC News website**

### **George Floyd: Huge protests against racism held across US**

**"Keep pushing": Washington DC protesters on keeping the momentum going**

**Huge peaceful rallies have taken place across the US against racism and police brutality on the 12th day of protests sparked by the death of George Floyd.**

Tens of thousands of people marched in Washington DC, in the city's largest protest so far. Security forces blocked any approach to the White House.

Crowds also demonstrated in New York, Chicago, LA and San Francisco.

Meanwhile, people paid their respects to Mr Floyd in North Carolina, where he was born, before a memorial service.

Mr Floyd, an unarmed black man, died in police custody in Minneapolis on 25 May. Video showed a white police officer kneeling on his neck for almost nine minutes while he is pinned to the floor.

Officer Derek Chauvin has been dismissed and charged with murder. Three other officers who were at the scene have also been sacked and charged with aiding and abetting.

### **In the UK**

Thousands of people took part in anti-racism demonstrations across London on Saturday.

The majority of the day's protests were peaceful but in the evening there were disturbances outside Downing Street.

BBC home affairs correspondent Tom Symonds said the protest was largely over when missiles and fireworks were thrown at a police line.

One Mounted Branch officer remains in hospital after she was knocked from her horse when it hit a set of traffic lights whilst appearing to bolt. The officer had struggled to stay in control as she was riding down the street surrounded by protesters.

The Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, said the pockets of violence were "simply not acceptable".

He said: "I stand with you and share your anger and pain. George Floyd's brutal killing must lead to immediate and lasting change in countries, cities, police services and institutions everywhere.

"But this vital cause was badly let down by a tiny minority who turned violent and threw glass bottles and lit flares, endangering other protestors and injuring police officers."

A rally is scheduled later to be staged outside the US Embassy in Battersea, south-west London.

Demonstrations are also scheduled in Glasgow, Edinburgh and Aberdeen.

## Other news: **Back to school in England**



Some children in England have gone back to school for the first time since the coronavirus lockdown began.

Many schools have opened their doors to children in Reception and Years 1 and 6.

## Finally.....caring for animals during lockdown.....

### **People are self-isolating at the zoo so they can look after the animals**

With [foster applications for pets up massively](#), it's clear that this pandemic has brought animal lovers out in full force, and staff at Paradise Park zoo in Hayle, Cornwall, are even voluntarily self-isolating there for three months so that they can continue to look after the animals.

They're currently living in the sanctuary's on-site house and continuing with their 12-hour shifts feeding and training the 1,200 birds and mammals that live there - as well as live-streaming what's going on for fans online who are missing them during its temporary closure.



Four members of staff

have moved into the sanctuary's on-site house. Picture: Paradise Park

**Thought for the week:**

***Like tiny seeds with potent power to push through tough ground and become mighty trees, we hold innate reserves of unimaginable strength. We are resilient.***

