

**Sixth Form Student Bulletin**  
**Week beginning Monday 16th September 2019 (Week A)**

We hope that you are continuing to settle into (or back into) the Sixth Form. Remember, we are here for you so if you have any concerns, however small you think they are, please talk to your Tutor, Mrs Livings, Mrs Booth or Miss Iwanczuk.



Dates for  
the Diary:

- **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September:** Charity Meeting at lunchtime ( 12.40pm) for anyone interested in helping with charity events this year ( **In the Community Room**)
- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September:** Year 12 Information Evening for students and parents 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm.  
**A letter with details has been sent out to your parents-if they didn't get it please let us know**
- **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September: 5:00-7:30pm:** Year 5/6 Open Evening – **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PLEASE!** ( All of you should help if possible)
- **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September: INSET DAY** ( **A chance to make sure you are on top of your work!**)
- **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October: Sixth Form Open Evening** –everyone needs to help please, either with subjects or as guides
- **Thursday 21st November:** Year 12/13 Parents' Consultation Evening – all students should attend this with their parents.

*To help to get you organised, make a note of these dates in your planner.*

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**Subject mentoring after school for all Year 12**

Year 13s traditionally offer to support students in Year 12 with their subjects. The system is a great chance for Year 12s to ask questions and get top tips. The mentoring will be starting this week. Come along after school to the Common Room for ten minutes and see Year 13s who take your subjects. We will also be sending around a list of mentors and their email addresses so you can email any queries. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available after school on mentoring days.... for free!


### The Mentoring timetable

<b>Tuesday 17th</b>	<b>Wednesday 18th</b>	<b>Thursday 19th</b>
English/ Media	Psychology/ Physics	<b>Information Evening</b>
<b>Tuesday 24th</b>	<b>Wednesday 25th</b>	<b>Thursday 26th</b>
Sociology/PE/Business	Art/Photography/IT	<b>5/6Open Evening</b>

### The Common Room

We have noticed an excellent start to the care and consideration exercised in the Common Room- thank you very much.

Remember, if you need a quiet place to study, the Common Room is open until **6.00pm each day**. It has been great to see so many of you using it already to work in before and after school.

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 is on the Common Room door. Please keep putting all your litter in the bins 

### Signing in and out

Thank you for signing in and out of school. This gives us to have a clear idea of who is in school should we need to evacuate in an emergency.

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### Lanyards

These will be distributed to Year 12 students over the next few weeks.

Year 13 please ensure you wear your lanyards around school, if you have lost the card, holder or ribbon please see Mrs Booth as soon as possible who will be able to organise a replacement for you. New cards will be distributed with your new photos on as soon as possible.

### A Mathematics message from Mr Jolly

#### Maths Drop-in Sessions Every Thursday 15:05-16:00 in Room 29

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 this week to:**

**Grace Welch – 17<sup>th</sup> September**

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

If you have changed your mind about the activity you want to do please let us know and we will do what we can to get you onto another activity.

**Cooking starts this week – Period 5, you can collect the recipe from Mrs Marley. If you have chosen to be with Mr Sells in the gym YOU MUST SIGN OUT WITH MRS BOOTH IN THE COMMON ROOM if you finish before 3.05pm.**

If you are using Wednesday afternoons to complete a primary school placement or a nursing home placement Mrs Booth needs to know please.

**Joke of the week**

Why don't ants get sick? 

**Role models: Please set a good example at all times**

As well as not using your phone publicly around school please also use study periods for studying, either in the Common Room, the library, a classroom or at home. As Sixth Formers, you play a big part in setting the work ethic around school. If younger students see you, for instance, relaxing outside and not working, they may feel that this is acceptable behaviour. So, show them how it's

done! If you want to use your phone for a call please go in the 6<sup>th</sup> Form garden area.

### **Dress Code**

Just a reminder to all sixth form students that although there is a non-uniform policy, appropriate clothing is expected to be worn, school is a professional environment and the way we dress needs to reflect this. Please cover up properly even when the weather is hot which it may well be this week.

### **Year 13 - Need help with UCAS?**

*When? Friday after school*

*Where? Common Room*

### **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 6<sup>th</sup> Form canteen. Please talk to Mrs Booth if you are worried about this.

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### **Joke Answer:**

Because they have little antibodies!!

### **School Nurse**

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

### **Emails**

Please keep checking your emails, this is 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

**Tutor time**  
***When? Tuesday, P3***  
**Compulsory – every week.**

This period of time is carefully planned each week and essential for ensuring you have the necessary information about future possibilities, as well as making sure we have done everything we can to ensure your success on your courses.

### **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***'.

### **Y5/6 Open Evening and Sixth Form Open Evening – *volunteers needed!***

You'll have seen in the key dates at the top of the bulletin that these events are coming up on Thursday 26th September and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October respectively. We need as many of you to support at these as possible please. You may be asked to support a department, be a guide around school or register people as they arrive. Last year we had over 100 Sixth Formers in the blue Kimberley T-shirts to support us. The same turn out – or more – would be hugely appreciated again this year! PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THE YEAR 5/6 OPEN EVENING ON THE DOOR IN THE COMMON ROOM.

### Year 12 Information Evening

On Thursday 19th September we are running a Year 12 Information Evening for you and your parents. We will be showing a video created by Year 13 students detailing the things Year 13 students think it is helpful to know about when you start in the 6<sup>th</sup> Form. Some Year 13s will also talk personally about their time in Year 12 on the evening and I will go over the key dates and details I think it is important to know at the start of the year. We have done this for the past three years and it has helped parents to understand more about the experience of being a 6<sup>th</sup> Former. Please come and bring parents with you.

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### Year 12s – Community Service

This needs to be arranged as soon as possible. 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.

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### 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, or maybe donate a box of tea bags, or jar of coffee. It would be great if you could offer to go in to Kimberley and buy the supplies from time to time too. Please see our Head Boy or Girl about this if you want to help. **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 24<sup>th</sup> July next year so please ensure your parents know this. A2 courses start as soon as AS exams are over.

**Possible trip to Malaysia: A message from Dr Del Buono**

*"Anyone interested in a trip to Singapore/Malaysia next July please meet in S4 on Wednesday lunchtime to collect a letter for parents".*

**Events and Opportunities**

**Immersive Career Experiences**



Please check your emails for information on career experience days, run by the company above, that I will send through to you all.

**News Items of the week:** *In the UK the Brexit news takes another twist with David Cameron's memoirs.....whilst overseas the suffering in Yemen continues.....*



**David Cameron: Boris Johnson backed Leave to 'help career'**

**Boris Johnson did not believe in Brexit during the referendum campaign and backed Leave "because it would help his political career", says David Cameron.**

**In an extract from his memoir published in the Sunday Times**, the former PM also refers to cabinet minister Michael Gove as "a foam-flecked Faragist".

The pair were "ambassadors for the expert-trashing, truth-twisting age of populism", Mr Cameron writes.

And he also accuses Mr Gove of being disloyal to himself and Mr Johnson.

Of his former colleague, Mr Cameron writes: "One quality shone through: disloyalty. Disloyalty to me - and, later, disloyalty to Boris."

The latest revelations come after another extract published on Saturday accused the pair of behaving "appallingly" during the 2016 referendum campaign.

Mr Cameron called the poll after promising it in the Conservative Party's election manifesto.

He campaigned for Remain, but lost the vote by 52% to 48%, and resigned as prime minister shortly after.

Mr Cameron writes that when deciding whether to back Leave or Remain in the campaign, Mr Johnson was concerned what the "best outcome" would be for him.

"Whichever senior Tory politician took the lead on the Brexit side - so loaded with images of patriotism, independence and romance - would become the darling of the party," he says.

"He [Mr Johnson] didn't want to risk allowing someone else with a high profile - Michael Gove in particular - to win that crown."

The former Tory leader adds: "The conclusion I am left with is that he [Boris Johnson] risked an outcome he didn't believe in because it would help his political career."

He also says during the Leave campaign Mr Johnson, who has repeatedly said the UK must exit the EU on 31 October, privately raised the possibility of holding another referendum after fresh negotiations with the EU.

He criticises Mr Johnson's use of the Vote Leave campaign bus emblazoned by the much-criticised claim that leaving would mean £350m a week extra for the NHS.

"Boris rode the bus round the country, he left the truth at home," writes the former prime minister.

And of Mr Gove - a cabinet minister both now and then - he said: "I couldn't believe what I was seeing.

"Gove, the liberal-minded, carefully-considered Conservative intellectual, had become a foam-flecked Faragist warning that the entire Turkish population was about to come to Britain."



During the run-up to the EU referendum, Mr Gove **claimed Turkey and four other countries could join the EU by 2020, increasing the UK's population by up to 5.23 million by 2030.**

However, it was the behaviour of his then employment minister and current Home Secretary Priti Patel that "shocked" him the most, he says.

"She used every announcement, interview and speech to hammer the government on immigration, even though she was part of that government," he writes.

"I was stuck though: unable to fire her, because that would make her a Brexit martyr."

**In an interview with the Times** published on Saturday, Mr Cameron said he was "hugely depressed" about the 2016 referendum result and he knew "some people will never forgive me".

But he defended his decision to call the poll, arguing the issue of the EU "needed to be addressed".

In an interview with **the Mail on Sunday**, Mr Johnson said he was still hopeful a new deal with the EU could be reached in time for the crucial EU summit on 17 October.

It would take a lot of work, he said, adding: "I think that we will get there."

He said there was a "real sign of movement" in Berlin, Paris and "most interestingly" in Dublin.

However, if he cannot negotiate a deal, the UK would break out of its "manacles" like cartoon character The Incredible Hulk on Halloween, he said.

"Hulk always escaped, no matter how tightly bound in he seemed to be - and that is the case for this country," he said. "We will come out on 31 October and we will get it done."

In the interview, Mr Johnson also repeated his opposition to an election pact with Nigel Farage's Brexit Party, saying the Conservative party was a "great" and "old" party that did not form electoral pacts with other parties.

Earlier this month, Mr Johnson expelled 21 MPs from the party after they rebelled against him in a bid to prevent a no-deal Brexit.

Asked if any would be allowed to stand as a Conservative at the next election, he did not rule it out but urged people not to underestimate the gravity of what they had done.

"They were effectively handing the initiative to our opponents," he said. "I just want people to understand why it was necessary to be so strict."

You will have heard about the war in Yemen I am sure.....here is the **Yemen conflict explained in 400 words**



**A man carries a wounded child after a Saudi-led airstrike that killed eight members of her family**

**For a little more than three years, Yemen has been locked in a seemingly intractable civil war that has killed nearly 10,000 people and pushed millions to the brink of starvation.**

The conflict has its roots in the Arab Spring of 2011, when an uprising forced the country's long-time authoritarian president, Ali Abdullah Saleh, to hand over power to his deputy, Abdrabbuh Mansour Hadi.

The political transition was supposed to bring stability to Yemen, one of the Middle East's poorest nations, but President Hadi struggled to deal with various problems including militant attacks, corruption, food insecurity, and continuing loyalty of many military officers to Saleh.

Fighting began in 2014 when the Houthi Shia Muslim rebel movement took advantage of the new president's weakness and seized control of northern Saada province and neighbouring areas. The Houthis went on to take the capital Sanaa, forcing Mr Hadi into exile abroad.

The conflict escalated dramatically in March 2015, when Saudi Arabia and eight other mostly Sunni Arab states - backed by the US, UK, and France - began air strikes against the Houthis, with the declared aim of restoring Mr Hadi's government.

The Saudi-led coalition feared that continued success of the Houthis would give their rival regional power and Shia-majority state, Iran, a foothold in Yemen, Saudi Arabia's southern neighbour. Saudi Arabia says Iran is backing the Houthis with weapons and logistical support - a charge Iran denies.

Both sides have since been beset by infighting. The Houthis broke with Saleh and he was killed by Houthi fighters in December 2017. On the anti-Houthi side, militias include separatists seeking independence for south Yemen and factions who oppose the idea.

**The stalemate has produced an unrelenting humanitarian crisis, with at least 8.4 million people at risk of starvation and 22.2 million people - 75% of the population - in need of humanitarian assistance, according to the UN. Severe acute malnutrition is threatening the lives of almost 400,000 children under the age of five.**

**Yemen's health system has all but collapsed**, while the world's largest cholera outbreak has killed thousands.

### **Thoughts for the week**



**‘Success is the sum of small efforts repeated day in and day out’**

**Robert Collier**