

**Sixth Form Student Bulletin**  
**Week beginning Monday 30th March 2020 (Week B)**

We have continued to be really impressed by you all over the last week. You have found yourselves in an unprecedented position and have responded with maturity, thoughtfulness and resilience.

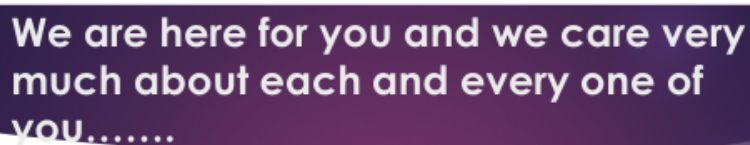
- Please keep up the 100% engagement with SMHW that we had last week.
- Please forward work to staff- we still don't know how grades are being awarded so this is really needed.
- If you haven't forwarded your re-sit mock yet then please do so.
- If you are unwell please let Mrs Booth know so that she can alert your staff.

You should have had contact from one of the sixth form team over the last week, please respond if you haven't already and let us know how you are getting on.

Please send links to videos or websites that you think other students might find useful and interesting.

P3 Tuesday: Please go on SMHW p3 Tuesday and do the quiz that will be on there- you will then get sent the answers- mark your own and be honest! Send marks to Mrs Booth- Easter egg present once we are back!

**Key messages from the assembly last Thursday:**



**We are here for you and we care very much about each and every one of you.....**

- ▶ Your tutors will be in contact regularly
- ▶ Mrs Booth , Mrs Livings and Miss Iwanczuk wil also be in contact and we are happy to call you if you want to talk
- ▶ We will keep telling you everything we know as the situation develops.
  
- ▶ Keep safe and thank you for the incredible way you are dealing with what is happening
- ▶ As a 6<sup>th</sup> Form team we could not be more proud of you

It's not goodbye to Year 13.....

- ▶ We are not saying goodbye- we will be in very regular contact
- ▶ We will arrange a farewell once back –no way of knowing when but it will happen.

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

***Please don't reply to offers until you have discussed them with Mrs Livings. You can email her and she will telephone you if you prefer this. This is a massive decision and needs lots of thought and weighing up what is best for you. The advice I sent out the other evening from UCAS is to not panic and reply because of what is happening- take your time. You don't have to decide until the middle of May. I hope you are starting to look at applying for finance following the link below. There is no rush with this either.***

***I received this this week from UCAS:***

Dear Colleague,

Earlier this week, we emailed to tell you we were extending May's UCAS Undergraduate decision and reply deadlines following an [announcement by the UK Government](#), asking universities and colleges in England to hold back from making unconditional offers or amending existing offers.

We can now confirm the new dates:

Original date	UCAS Undergraduate deadline	New date
5 May 2020	The deadline for applicants to reply to any offers received by 31 March 2020.	19 May 2020
6 May 2020	The deadline for universities and colleges to make decisions and reply to applications received by 15 January 2020.	20 May 2020

These dates have been updated in Track, and we've emailed applicants to let them know if their deadlines have changed.

We hope this gives students and their chosen universities and colleges the extra time they need to fully consider any decisions and offers, and ensures fairness in admissions is maintained.

Since the UK Government's announcement, the Office for Students (OfS) have shared [further guidance and FAQs](#) with universities and colleges in England to explain exactly what is covered in the two-week pause. In addition, the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales (HEFCW) has written to vice-chancellors at Welsh universities and colleges, requesting that they also undertake a two-week pause on unconditional offers.

For all the latest COVID-19 updates, [visit ucas.com](https://www.ucas.com).

Kind regards

UCAS

### ***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>

***PLEASE email me if you are struggling at all with accommodation options and be really careful about what you are signing up to.***

**Lockers :** Many of you will still have your locker keys (don't worry – when we have our reunion you can hand them back and we will return your deposit).



To:

Amy Butler and Romany Whittall – 30<sup>th</sup> March  
Ella Foster, Elinor Harby, Harrison Oakland – 2<sup>nd</sup> April  
Thomas Cooper – 5<sup>th</sup> April

### **Joke of the week:**

**What happened when the air conditioning in the cheese factory broke?**

## Joke Answer

There was a meltdown!



## Opportunities

We have been sent some information on volunteering.....

Are you interested in the following voluntary opportunities ? They would be a great addition to your CV, however you need to discuss at home before applying as some of you will have family members in high risk groups, in terms of Covid 19, and they won't want you going out and working- please discuss first.

## 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/>

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### **Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship - Derbyshire -**

[https://www.indeed.co.uk/m/viewjob?jk=483e152026de46ac&from=ja&alid=5adf28d790084f4882bea4b5&tk=1e30140682tjp800&utm\\_campaign=job\\_alerts&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=jobseeker\\_emails&rgtk=1e30140682tjp800](https://www.indeed.co.uk/m/viewjob?jk=483e152026de46ac&from=ja&alid=5adf28d790084f4882bea4b5&tk=1e30140682tjp800&utm_campaign=job_alerts&utm_medium=email&utm_source=jobseeker_emails&rgtk=1e30140682tjp800)

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**A message from UCAS** (look on the UCAS website for more details.....)

As well as supporting current applicants, we remain focused on helping other students and year groups continue with their studies. Although many events, like open days, exhibitions, and face-to-face conversations

may have been put on hold, your students' futures have not. Please take this time to remind them about the many resources available online, such as the [UCAS Hub](#), [virtual tours](#), [subject guides](#), and [Unibuddy](#) peer-to-peer support.

### **University holder days: University of Leicester**

Check whether your possible university choices are doing what **University of Leicester** is doing....

#### **.....Going Digital**

We've now gone digital with our Offer Holder Days to replace on our on-campus events, providing students with the opportunities to watch subject talks and tasters, take a virtual campus and accommodation tour and chat online with current students, admissions tutors and support services from the comfort of their own homes. The format has been created by the direct feedback from previous applicants on what advice and information they need to make a decision.

These will be taking place on:

- Saturday 4 April

### **News Items of the week :**

## **Clap for carers: applauding the NHS on Thursday evening.....**

People across the UK have taken part in a mass round of applause in support of the NHS workers battling the coronavirus pandemic.

In the Clap For Carers initiative people took to their doorsteps and balconies applauding, banging pans and letting off fireworks. Notable buildings around the country were also lit up in blue







Prince George, Princess Charlotte and Prince Louis also joined the nation in applauding Britain's NHS workers tonight, as they helped lead [a moving "Clap for Our Carers" moment](#).

The Cambridge family, who are at home in Norfolk, joined the nation in thanking the nurses, doctors, emergency services, and all those helping to battle the coronavirus pandemic. BBC News

Thought for the Week:

