



# FURZE PLATT

## SIXTH FORM

Welcome to our Sixth Form Newsletter. Here you will find a summary of the week, useful tips, career opportunities dates and celebrations of successes!

### UPCOMING DATES

**Mon 27th Oct – Fri 31st Oct:** October Half Term

**Mon 3rd November:** return to school / Year 12 Politics Human Rights trip (Cumberland Lodge)

**Mon 10th Nov – Fri 14th Nov:** Y13 PPEs

**Tues 25th November 6-8pm:** Careers & Higher Education Fair at school.

Dear Parents,

Calling all our alumni! We are looking to connect and work with our alumni in a more efficient way - including having a regular feature about you in our newsletter. We would also love to invite you to attend and take part in various events. If you studied at our school previously (doesn't matter when - can be one year ago or many moons ago!) we would love to hear from you. Please can you take a few minutes to fill out this form? <https://lnkd.in/eHaDNhjF>





# Year 12

Well done on completing a difficult first term in the Sixth Form – there is so much that you need to learn and get used to so you've all done brilliantly. It was a pleasure to be able to reward so many of you in assembly on Monday whether it be attendance, reward points, Achieve Badges or Attitude to Learning grades.

So how can you enjoy your holiday to its full potential? As I write this I am currently writing my own list of things to get done before the start of next term – it is important to be aware of what is outstanding so we can prepare to get the job done right.

Looking ahead to the next term, we'll be spending more time focusing on careers, work experience and nailing those study habits that you've started to develop this term. Over the next week you could:

- Start thinking about work experience: what contacts do you have, what might you like to do?
- Identify some things that you want to improve on next term – commit them to paper now and then enjoy your break knowing that you've set the goal.
- Do something different – its important to get a bit of variety and the next term is a long one too! Have fun!

Ultimately, have a fantastic break. Take the next week to do somethings you like and catch up on some sleep! Be ready to start as you mean to go on at the start of next half term.

I hope you enjoyed your Friday Funday Form Time this morning- here is 6CLB enjoying a challenge set by Miss Sterling!

6HWC- I hope you enjoyed your brekkie for your wins this term!





# Year 13

It was great celebrating your successes with you this morning. You're a great year group and have started the new year brilliantly. Keep that momentum going into the half-term – the efforts will pay off!

As a reminder:

- 6HWC – Y13 breakfast on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

- Free lunch for the following students:

1. Finlay Hayward – 350
2. Abi Leech-Baldwin – 345
3. Sophie McLachlan – 320
4. Finley McLaughlin – 314
5. Connor Fitzgibbon – 284
6. Harry James – 283
7. Ross Van Eeden – 282
8. Matilda Stockdale – 273
9. Isaac Bartram – 273
10. Daniel Higley – 271

- Excellence badges go to:

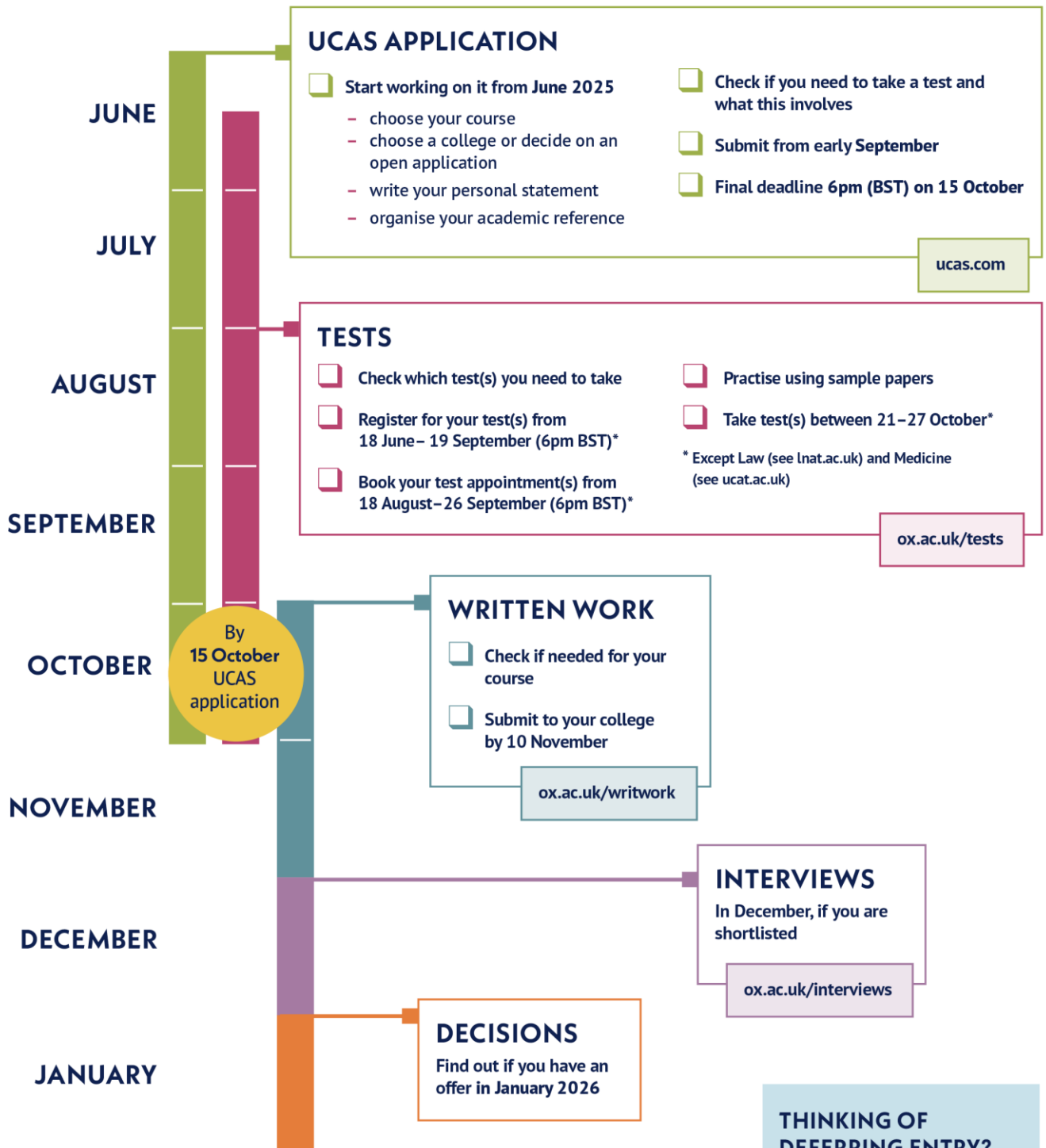
- Mustafa Amin
- Namfon Avellano
- Nicole Brancato
- Raph Eade
- Ed Foxtton
- Dan Gibbon
- Saurav Gummalla
- Imogen Hopkins
- Chiara Manzi
- Sara Nazir
- George Overall
- Roobi Rajput
- Elenia Reina
- Arnavi Sharma
- Nick Thaman
- Max Wibberley
- Amira Zaidi



# HOW YOU APPLY

## 2026 ENTRY

### Early Entry – The Oxford process



Cambridge Dates can be found here

<https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/apply/application-dates-deadlines>

### THINKING OF DEFERRING ENTRY?

This is not always possible so we recommend you check with your course department first.

# Tutor resource of the week – Pre reading- the BASMO method



**Another way of pre-reading is by using the BASMO method:**

**Browsing-** Skim the material to get a grasp of its structure and the key elements

**Annotating-** making notes in the margins of pages and underlining key portions with a highlighter will help you remember critical details as you read.

**Summarising-** after pre-reading the text, make a quick summary of its key points

Mapping- map the text to highlight the connections between various ideas and concepts. Are there any links within what is written?

**Outlining-** arrange the information you gathered from the text in the previous steps into an outline with main ideas and supportive information.

All study sessions can be found here: <https://www.furzeplatt.com/page/?title=Sixth+Form+Study+Support&pid=84>

# Tutor resource of the week – Managing time



- Use one of the following techniques to manage your upcoming deadlines and work.
  - Pomodoro
  - Eisenhower Matrix
  - Study timetable
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- Remember that this requires effort, but it helps you to be more effective.
  - The **best** students (and workers!) own the time that they have.

Week One	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Before school							
9.15-10.15	Blue	Green	Blue		Blue		
10.15-11.15							
Break 1							
11.45-12.45		Green		Blue	Yellow		
12.45-13.45		Yellow		Green			
Break 2							
14.15-15.15	Yellow		Black	Green			
16.00-17.00							
17.00-18.00							
19.30-20.30							
20.30-21.30							
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# Careers

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**BBC Apprenticeships are open**



The BBC has got several apprenticeships open at the moment at a range of levels and in a variety of roles/parts of the organisation

There are [Degree apprenticeships](#) (Level 6) in

- Broadcast & Media Systems Engineering
- Software Engineering
- Data Scientist
- Business Management

They also have [Advanced and Higher Level apprenticeships](#) (Level 3 and 4). Roles include:

- Business Analyst
- Broadcast & Media Systems Technical Operator
- Business Administrator
- Data Analyst
- Human Resources Support
- Multi-channel Marketing
- Post-production Technical Operator
- Procurement & Supply Chain Management
- Journalist

The deadline to apply is **Thursday 13th November** and [here](#) is some information about how to apply, the various stages and what to expect

In December, there will be another wave of vacancies in Production.



**GET IN!**  
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Virtual Insight into Law with A&O Shearman – Tues 4th November 5-6.30pm

# A&O SHEARMAN

## Why Attend?

At this event, you'll get a unique chance to dive deep into the world of A&O Shearman, one of the UK's elite law firms. Known for their innovation and expertise, A&O Shearman has been at the fore front of the legal industry for decades. They handle some of the most complex and high-profile cases globally, working with top-tier clients from every industry. This is your chance to hear directly from professionals who have shaped their careers at one of the most influential firms in the world.

## What You'll Learn:

- **Career Opportunities:** Discover what it's like to work at the firm, and gain an insight into the solicitor apprenticeship programme that can kickstart your legal career.
- **Workshops:** Commercial Awareness Legal Workshop with a quiz
- Hear about the distinct differences that set A&O Shearman apart from other global law firms
- **Exclusive Networking:** Gain access to legal experts and discover how you can stand out in the competitive world of law.

## Register now:

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AO\\_Shearman](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AO_Shearman)



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## Careers with bp – Tues 4th Nov

Are you a female student, or identify as female, and would like to find out about careers with bp?

Although the event is called Women in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics), bp offer lots of other roles. I actually used to work there when I was younger as an Events Organiser in their Events team!



Here is an idea of what will be covered in the virtual session:

- Explore the full range of bp's STEM apprenticeship pathways including Engineering, Science, Data, Software, Supply, Trading, Shipping & more
- Hear real stories from current female apprentices
- Get honest advice on how to stand out in your application
- Ask anything in the live Q&A

Register for the event [here](#)

Want to find out more about what bp do? Click [here](#) and here is a link to their [careers](#) page