

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 9th March – PSHE day

Thurs 12th March = no Form = go to Period 1 at 8.45am and early finish at 2.45pm

Fri 13th March = no Form = go to Period 1 at 9.15am

Mon 16th March = deadline to apply to Eton Summer School

Wed 18th March = Year 13 Photographs (period 5)

Springing into Spring

Easter isn't all that far away, the big coats have (mostly) been packed away and the Sixth Form even enjoyed some 'terrace time' this week, which was lovely to see.



We'll have Easter Eggs and Easter Bunny Runs before too long. Watch this space...



ATTENDANCE COMPETITION

The competition rules are simple, **just attend school and form!**

There will be a prize for the tutor group with the **best attendance** and the tutor group with the **most improved attendance**.

Prize will be donuts for the tutor group, if you cannot eat donuts for dietary or medical reasons, please let Ms Palocsai or Mr Ging know.

Now the most improved attendance winner is between CLB and MAW! Is there anyone that can overtake them in the coming weeks?

It is great to see that every tutor's attendance has improved> Well done everyone!

The current tutor percentages are as follows:

	13.02	27.02	6.03	13.3	20.3	27.3
6CLB	91.8%	91.7%	93.0%			
6GSB	92.2%	92.0%	92.8%			
6HAS	90.0%	89.8%	91.1%			
6HPH	91.9%	91.9%	92.9%			
6HWC	88.9%	89.0%	90.1%			
6JPW	94.9%	94.7%	95.6%			
6LAH	93.9%	93.5%	94.4%			
6LDK	93.3%	93.2%	94.4%			
6MAW	88.6%	89.0%	90.4%			
6RAA	86.2%	86.2%	87.5%			
6SO	90.2%	90.1%	91.1%			

Politics Trip

POLECONUK.ORG
A LEVEL, IB & HIGHER STUDENT CONFERENCES

On Monday, Sixth Form students attended the PoleCon UK event at the Methodist Central Hall, gaining practical insights into politics from speakers that spanned the political spectrum. Students go the opportunity to question figures such as Wes Streeting, Zack Polanski, Alastair Campbell, who Zac and Murphy managed to get a picture with, and Sir Jacob Rees-Mogg. This event is one that will support our students learning and preparation for their A Level exams as well as being an experience they won't soon forget.

Oscar was on point having stood up to ask questions and managed to fluster Sir Jacob Rees-Mogg with his question about liberal capitalism.

11.00 - 11.25 - Zack Polanski AM, Green Party
11.30 - 11.55 - Laila Cunningham MP, Reform
12.00 - 12.25 - Zarah Sultana MP, Your Party

12.25 - 12.40 - short break (15 mins)

12.40 - 13.00 - Nusrat Ghani MP, Conservative
(Chairman of Ways and Means and Senior Deputy Speaker)

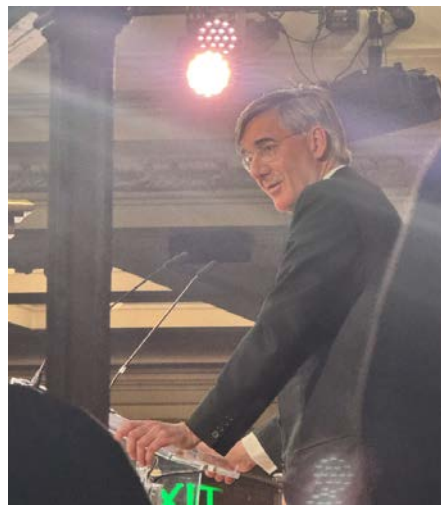
13.00 - 13.25 - short break

13.25 - 13.45 - Daisy Cooper MP, Liberal Democrats
13.45 - 14.05 - Alastair Campbell

14.05 - 14.50 - longer break (45) and signing from Alastair

14.50 - 15.00 - Ed Shackle, Public First
15.05 - 15.30 - Sir Jacob Rees-Mogg
15.30 - 16.05 - Wes Streeting MP, Labour
16.05 - 16.25 - Lord Brady of Altrincham

16.25 - Conference finish



Springing into Spring



Nothing like having the sense of Spring, on our doorstep.

Can we all give a huge shout out and thanks to the amazing Gardening Club, parents association and Fred in year 13 for helping bring some brightness into sixth form.

With the daffodils and tulips blooming it is a great reminder that longer days and sunshine is not far away.



Lessons from Auschwitz



Thank you to Fabien and Oscar for their brilliant and thought-provoking presentation about their experience in Auschwitz-Birkenau.



It was incredibly powerful to listen to the reflections of the students and to remember that the events of the Holocaust must not be thought of in terms of numbers but in terms of people and their stories.



I am always impressed with students speaking in public and appreciate how challenging this can be. To do this while balancing the weight of such a powerful topic deserves high praise indeed.

Thank you, Oscar and Fabien, for your reflections and for the valuable reminder of how we all need to care for one another.

Year 12

Would like to say a huge shout out to Anna Greenland for being the first person to secure their work experience placement in year 12!

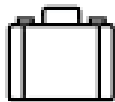
More students are adding placements to unifrog which is great to see.

A gentle reminder that the deadline to add placements to unifrog is the 27th March. This will give myself and Mr Ging plenty time to do the admin tasks ready for work experience week.

If you have secured a place, you **MUST** add this as a placement on unifrog, if you are unsure how to do this please see me and I will show you how.

If you are struggling to find placement speak to us, do not suffer in silence because I can assure that the week we have planned will be less interesting than those who are at their placements.

WORK EXPERIENCE



On a more positive note, you as a year group have achieved 3726 praise points on class charts since half term.

Our target for the end of this term is to double that. Easily done because you are all awesome.

Have a great weekend!



Year 13

① Do First

First focus on important tasks to be done the same day.

② Schedule

Important, but not-so-urgent stuff should be scheduled.

③ Delegate

What's urgent, but less important, delegate to others.

④ Don't Do

What's neither urgent nor important, don't do at all.

Organisation

I've been speaking to a number of you about time management over the last few days and have shared the link here about a great little time management strategy called the Eisenhower Matrix. There's a link [here](#) that is well worth a read and may help you organise yourselves so you can optimise your output. Hope it's helpful!

Destinations

University students are focusing on their firm and insurance offers at the moment but if you are a non-university student, have you got your destination sorted for after Sixth Form?

We will be sending out forms to students to complete, letting us know what they've got sorted for after the summer.

Remember to come and talk to your tutor, Mrs Beale or me if we can give any helpful advice and guidance.

Mr Ging





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Raise & Give

The Raise and Give Society is proposing a 'Bring and Buy' charity clothing sale in Sixth Form. This would require a donation from students of a pre-loved item of clothing or an accessory (not shoes) to be sold amongst Sixth Formers in aid of charity. Donations would be anonymous and there would be a price point no more than £5 (typically £2.50 to £3.50)

Before we start planning it, we would like to know how many people would be keen to take part. If you haven't already, please respond via this [Form](#).



For the parents and guardians Year 12 Mock Interviews Mon 13th July



Thank you to those who have already offered – we are looking forward to having you on board!

Looking to give something back to the community? Want to help prepare young people for the world of work? Ready to give them a taste of what an interview is like?

We are looking for people to come and take part in our Sixth Form Mock Interview Day on **Mon 13th July between 9.30 and 3.15.**

You can do the whole day or just an hour or two. Whatever works best for you.

The idea is to interview up to 2 students per hour and give them advice on their interview skills and CV.

This is our 4th year of running this event and feedback from both students and the employers/interviewers is always so positive and constructive.

Interested in taking part? Please contact our Sixth Form Careers Advisor on: claire.beale@furzeplatt.net



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FUTURES FOR ALL

In person work experience opportunities

Your work experience week is week beg 29th June to 3rd July.
Here are some in person opportunities you can apply to.

Please bear in mind that not all of these are local and you would need to arrange transport there or accommodation BUT they are worth looking at in case you know someone who commutes that way and could take you or someone who lives near there who you could stay with. You never know!

Sound/TV/Music/Film

5 days

29th June – 3rd July

9.30am - 5pm

Location: London

Find out more and apply by 5th May [here](#)

Construction/Railway with HS2

5 days

29th June – 3rd July

9.30am - 5pm

Location: Chipping Warden

Find out more and apply by 13th April [here](#)

Or they also have a location in Westbury

Find out more and apply by 13th April [here](#)

Design/Technology with Lighting Company Zumtobel

5 days

29th June – 3rd July

Location: Spennymoor, County Durham

To find out more, click [here](#) and to apply, email Jennifer Littlejohn at

UKIE.HRBP@zumbelgroup.com



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Design/Technology with Lighting Company Atrium

5 days (flexible so please ask for 29th June – 3rd July)

Location: London

Find out more, click [here](#), and to apply, email Preena Devshi at preena.devshi@atrium.ltd.uk

Design/Technology with Future Designs

5 days (flexible so please ask for 29th June – 3rd July)

Location: London

Find out more, click [here](#), and to apply, email Ewa Sulu esulu@futuredesigns.co.uk

Engineering/Design/Technology with Michael Grubb Studio

5 days (flexible so please ask for 29th June – 3rd July)

Location: London and Bournemouth

Find out more, click [here](#) and to apply, email Teresa Heaven at th@michaelgrubbstudio.com





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Design/Technology with Nulty

5 days (flexible so please ask for 29th June – 3rd July)

Location: London

Find out more, click [here](#), and to apply, email Hina Bhudia at office@nultylighting.co.uk

Street Lighting & Electrical Vehicle Infrastructure with Southwark Council

2 days (flexible so please ask for week beg 29th June)

Location: Peckham, London

Email Perry Hazell at Perry.hazell@southwark.gov.uk

Wildlife friendly lighting with Ecological Lighting Solutions

Up to 5 days (flexible so please ask for week beg 29th June)

Location: **can be remote**, or Cornwall or Penryn

Find out more, click [here](#) and to apply, email Jennifer Killan at jennifer@ecologicalighting.co.uk



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Virtual work experience opportunities

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Your work experience week is week beg 29th June to 3rd July.
You can do remote online work experience for this.
Here are some opportunities you can apply to.

Airport Security & Operations and Border Control

2 days

2nd – 3rd July

Meaning you would either find another placement for 3 days OR come to school

Find out more and apply by 4th June [here](#)

World of Defence & Technology

3 days

29th June to 1st July

Meaning you would either find another placement for 2 days OR come to school

Find out more and apply by 1st June [here](#)

Journey into Law

3 days

30th June to 2nd July

Meaning you would either find another placement for 2 days OR come to school

Find out more and apply by 2nd June [here](#)



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Work experience TO DO IN YOUR FREE TIME

Here are some opportunities that fall during the holidays that you may wish to do to help gain experience which will help when applying for uni, jobs and apprenticeships. *These would not count towards your placement and would be extra*

Creative Arts & Design

With Framestore

Dates:

May half term: 25th to 29th May

OR Summer Hols: 27th July to 31st July

OR Oct half term: 26th to 30th October

Location: London

Find out more and apply [here](#) (no deadline to apply but I always recommend applying early to avoid disappointment)

Business Technology

Smart Futures with EY Foundation

Dates:

May Half Term: 26 May to 29 May

OR Summer hols: 27 July to 30 July 2026

Location: Reading

Find out more and apply by 6th March [here](#)

Get Into Teaching

Dates: 21st to 23rd July

Location: remote

Find out more and by 30th June [apply](#)

Springpod

Springpod has a large variety of virtual work experiences that you can do at your own pace and in your own time. Check them out here: <https://www.springpod.com/>



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Remote work experience in Marketing with VML

Dates: 8-9th April

Location: remote

Find out more and apply by 11th March [here](#)

In-person work experience in Science with Anthony Nolan

Dates: 7th to 10th April

Location: London

Find out more and apply by 16th March [here](#)

Remote work experience in Media/Podcasting with Talk2Dan

Dates: 1st-2nd April

Location: remote

Find out more and apply by 10th March [here](#)

Remote work experience in Energy and start-ups

Dates: 31st March – 1st April

Location: remote

Find out more and apply by 12th March [here](#)

One day in-person work experience in Science with Bayer

Dates: 27th May

Location: Reading

Find out more and apply by 26th March [here](#)

