

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

Wed 6th May = our Pre-Loved/Re-Loved Clothes Sale to raise money for Thames Hospice
8th May = Year 13 Leaver's Day
12th May = UCAS opens for the 2027 cycle

The Raise & Give students, along with Mrs Jennings and Mrs Beale, will be hosting a Pre-Loved Clothing Sale fundraising event for Thames Hospice.

How it will work:

- We collect donated pre-loved items of clothing or accessories which are in good condition and suitable for Sixth Formers (e.g. smart clothes for uniform, casual clothes, party outfits, fancy dress, bags, hats, belts, jewellery, but no shoes)
- We sell them on Wed 6th May to students in the Sixth Form at Break 1, Break 2 and in REC
- All proceeds will go to Thames Hospice
- Any remaining un-sold items will go to the Thames Hospice charity shops

The event promotes community and sustainability.

How can you help?

- If you have any items of clothing or accessories that you are willing to part with, please bring them to the Sixth Form office (Mrs Wilson's office)
- If you have any spare hangers around, please bring them to the Sixth Form office (Mrs Wilson's office)
- If you are willing to lend us a clothes rack for the day, please let us know!

Many thanks for any help you can provide.



All proceeds to go to
Thames Hospice

Thames hospice

PRE-LOVED

TO RE-LOVED
SALE

Donate an item
of clothing to
the Sixth Form
Pre-Loved Sale

To be held in
Sixth Form
both **BREAKS**
& **REC**
WEDNESDAY
6th MAY

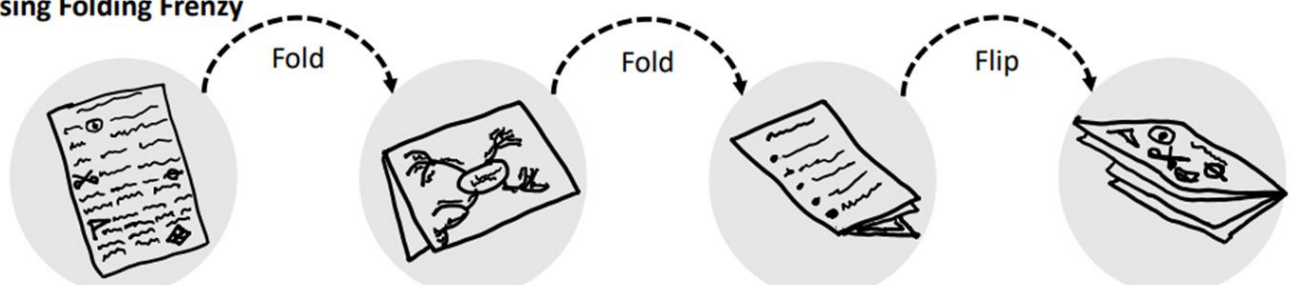
**DONATIONS TO THE SIXTH FORM OFFICE
CLEAN, IN GOOD CONDITION AND ON A
HANGER, NO SHOES PLEASE**

Year 13

We spent some time this week looking at how not to forget stuff... repetition, repetition, repetition! Please make use of the foldables technique to maintain your recall skills and make sure you are revising your Year 12 content as thoroughly as your recent Year 13 material.



Using Folding Frenzy



Notes

Students write a page of notes on a piece of blank paper on a specifically chosen topic. Focussing on;

1. key vocabulary
2. summarising content
3. using symbols

Graphic Organiser

Students then create a graphic organiser representing the core terminology of the notes.

Flashcard

Students write down 5/6 keywords that summarise the topic.

Symbols

Students use the symbols from their original notes.

If you are still yet to reply to your UCAS offers, please keep an eye on the fact that we are less than a month away from the May deadline – don't get caught out in not replying. See me if you need help.

Reply dates

These are based on when we get the last decision in from your unis or colleges. **Check your application to see your personal deadline.**

2026 entry applications

- If you receive your last decision on or before **31 March 2026**, your reply date is **6 May 2026** (except if you're using Extra to find a place).
- If you receive your last decision on or before **13 May 2026**, your reply date is **3 June 2026** (except if you're using Extra to find a place).
- If you receive your last decision on or before **15 July 2026**, your reply date is **22 July 2026** (including Extra choices).

YOU GOT THIS, YEAR 13

House of Lords WEX opportunity

Applications open for Lords Social Mobility Work Experience Programme

The House of Lords is running a social mobility work experience programme for Year 12 students.

The House of Lords Social Mobility Work Experience Programme will offer students the opportunity to go beyond the headlines and experience Parliament from the inside. Over one exciting week, participants will explore how the House of Lords operates.

How to apply

For full details and to submit your application, visit the Futures for All website <https://finder.futuresforall.org/opportunity-detail/6F87378B-EBBA-4F4A-04AD-08DE8A5A1670>

The deadline to apply is Wednesday 22 April 2026.

For Year 12 students only - Ages 16 - 17. Please only apply if you live in London and attend a state school.

Step inside one of the most historic institutions in the UK—and discover where your future could begin.

The House of Lords Social Mobility Work Experience Programme is your chance to go beyond the headlines and experience Parliament from the inside. Over one exciting week, you'll explore how the House of Lords operates.

This isn't just observation—you'll get involved.

What you'll do:

- Work alongside professionals in key departments.
- Take part in hands-on tasks and real workplace activities
- Shadow staff and see how different roles come together behind the scenes
- Join interactive workshops designed to build your skills and confidence

What you'll gain:

- A clear understanding of careers within Parliament
- Practical workplace experience you can talk about in applications
- Confidence, connections, and inspiration for your future

Year 12

This week's key theme has been maximising your potential, and what better way to do that than through repetition, repetition, repetition.

With PPE's fast approaching make sure you are utilising the study skills sessions you have gone over in tutor to support your revision. Get into those good habits now so you've got them secured this time next year.



If you have not already, please ensure you have read Mr Ging's email about timings for the keycards.

A gentle remind to ensure your lanyard is always on display and visible.

To end on a positive, you have clearly been awesome, as a year group you have achieved 1190 praise points this week on classcharts. That is amazing, let's see if we can beat that next week and hit the 1250 mark!

Top 3 students are
Abulaleem
Miguel
James K





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Our Year 12 Mock Interviews – 13th July

Dear All (*students going on the Costa Ricca trip – you can ignore this*)

I am in the process of arranging Mock Interviews with external professionals on Mon 13th July. In fact, thank you to a few of the parents who are kindly volunteering.

This is our 4th year of running this event and it is an amazing opportunity for you to have a practice at an interview.

When possible, I will match you to interviewers who do the career you want to go into and therefore it would help me if you filled out this form to indicate what you are thinking of doing.

Some students do get nervous about this, which is natural, but everyone performs really well on the day, which gives them a real boost, and many students really enjoy the experience.

Please email me or come and talk to me if you have any questions.

[Year 12 Mock Interviews Mon 13th July – Fill in form](#)



As always, I am here if anyone wants to meet for a 1:1 careers appointment. Just speak to me in person or email me on claire.beale@furzeplatt.net



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Apprenticeships with Warner Bros
Virtual Insight Session
Tues 16th June
6.30 - 7.30pm



Thinking of a career in media, business, or the creative industries – you don't want to miss this!

Join Warner Bros. Discovery for an exclusive look into what it's really like to begin your career through the WBD Apprentice Programme.

Whether you're exploring your next step after school or simply curious about apprenticeships in a global media and entertainment company, this session will give you the insights you need.

During the webinar, you'll:

- Learn about WBD's Apprentice Programme and the skills you can gain in a world-leading business
- Get a clear breakdown of the application process and tips on standing out
- Hear from current WBD apprentices who will share their honest experiences, challenges, and career journeys so far
- Discover upcoming apprenticeship opportunities across the business

This is a fantastic chance to get behind-the-scenes knowledge, ask questions live, and understand how you can kick-start your career at WBD.

Find out more about [Warner Bros](#), the famous producer of films, TV shows and games.

Book your free place [here](#)





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University of Brighton – Free online summer schools



University of Brighton

Why do a summer school?

- Discover if that subject is the right one for you
- Have something to write about in your UCAS application
- Learn new skills
- It's free!

The University of Brighton is offering free online summer schools from 20th to 23rd July in these subjects:

- > Architecture and product design
- > Art and design
- > Biological sciences and pharmacy
- > Business, law, and marketing
- > Computing
- > Criminology, psychology and sociology
- > Education and teaching
- > Engineering and construction
- > Geography and environment
- > Health professions
- > History, politics and English
- > Media, film, and journalism
- > Sport.



Find out more and apply [here](#) by 17th July (all Year 12s are welcome to apply)



I had the chance to deeply explore a project that I found both engaging and fulfilling related to a course I enjoyed. Overall, this experience was highly educational and personally rewarding.

Angelika, Psychology, Criminology & Sociology online summer school, 2024



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University of Brighton – Free Residentials



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Why do a residential?

- Discovery if that university is the right one for you
- Discover if that subject is the right one for you
- Discover how you feel staying away at home
- Have something to write about in your UCAS application
- Learn new skills
- Make new friends
- It's free!

The University of Brighton is offering free 1-week residential summer schools in

- Art and Media
- Engineering
- Health professions
- Humanities
- Science
- Social Science
- Sport

Please note that as spaces are limited, students who meet the widening criteria will be prioritised, which are listed below.

Find out more and apply [here](#) by 17th May:

Our widening participation criteria includes:

- > You live in a postcode area with an [Index of Multiple Deprivation Quintile 1](#)
- > are in care or have been in care before
- > have lost contact with their family. Often referred to as estranged, but not in the care of the local authority
- > have a diagnosed disability (physical or learning)
- > are a young carer
- > are currently, or have ever, lived in supported accommodation
- > receive the 16–19 bursary, or received free school meals or pupil premium at secondary school
- > are a refugee or asylum seeker



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Careers in Nursing & Midwifery

Thurs 30th April

5-7pm

In-person event at Stoke Mandeville Hospital



Buckinghamshire Healthcare
NHS Trust

Thinking of a career in nursing or midwifery?

Or thinking of a profession such as doctor or paramedic which means you'll be working closely with these colleagues?

Hear from local NHS professionals who will share real-life experiences, explore different career pathways and find out which role is right for you

PLUS although nursing and midwifery have traditionally been seen as female roles, you will get the chance to hear from men who have chosen these careers and who will highlight why these can equally be a great choice for men.

You'll also get tips on university applications from our two partner universities.

Find out more and book your free place [here](#) for you and whoever is accompanying you (friend, parent, guardian)

