

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.



RAISE & GIVE STUDENTS PRESENT

PRE-LOVED TO RE-LOVED

*Calling all those with
older teenage kids!*

A Pre-Loved Clothing Sale fundraising event
for **Thames Hospice**



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WE SELL THEM

We sell them on **Wed 6th May** during both breaks & REC to students in the Sixth Form.



ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THAMES HOSPICE.

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*Good for people.
Good for the planet.
Great for charity!*



The event promotes **sustainability**



Helps those who are **struggling financially**



Supports an **amazing charity**

HOW CAN YOU HELP? →

If you have any items of clothing or accessories that your teenagers are willing to part with, please contact Claire.beale@furzeplatt.net



THANK YOU FOR HELPING US MAKE A DIFFERENCE!



Thames
hospice.

Year 13

What's your study space?
Have you got a revision
station ready to go?
School or home?



If you've not thought about where you're studying, now might be a good time, according to one of the [University of York's tips for revision success](#).

In the last full week of school, remember to tailor your revision for what you need it to do. Recall and retention? Flashcard that!



Application of knowledge or demonstration of understanding?
Practice questions or papers is your thing! **Stay gritty, Year 13!**

Remember that UCAS deadlines for replies are coming up – 6th May if you've had an offer since before the 31st March. My door's always open if you need some advice.



Year 12

What, why, when and how?

What?

UCAS – Universities and Colleges Admissions Service

Why?

Saves time for schools and colleges
Makes the process fair

When?

15th Oct 2026
13th Jan 2027

How?

Single online application -
UCAS Hub

This week we had Rose from the University of Sussex in talking about the UCAS process.

I will share the PowerPoint with you for your reference. On it has some useful tools to help you with things to consider when writing your statements.

With UCAS opening in over two weeks this would be a good place to start your research.

As you some of you are getting closer to your actual exams and everyone with PPE week now is the time to lock in.

- Have you planned out your revision timetable?
- Have you started to create resources to aid revision?
- Are you speaking to your teachers when unsure of something?



As important as it is to lock in, it is just as important to look after you. Make sure to take those breaks and get that self-care in. Your challenge this weekend is to take yourself for a walk and surround yourself by nature, embracing a mindful moment.



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Roles at Knead – for Y13s

Knead Pizza Restaurant in Maidenhead is looking for a full-time chef and Assistant Manager

Find out more about [Knead](#) and if interested, pop in to see them, or apply on-line

[Chef](#)

[Assistant Manager](#)



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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Green Careers

The Energy Sector is growing and there are jobs available in so many different areas

Sector
Accounting & Finance
Administration
Construction
Customer Service
Digital
Engineering & Technical
Health, Safety, Environment & Quality
Hospitality
Human Resources / Recruitment
Information Technology (IT)
Legal
Manufacturing
Operations
Procurement
Project Management
Sales, Marketing & Communications
Science & Technology
Trades & Labour
Training & Development



Find out more about roles in the energy sector

<https://www.energyutilitiesjobs.co.uk/>

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Careers in Psychology

Thurs 2nd July

5-7pm

In-person event at Stoke Mandeville Hospital



Buckinghamshire Healthcare
NHS Trust

Discover careers in psychology: Thursday 2 July, 5–7pm, Stoke Mandeville Hospital

Interested in how people think and behave? Learn about both **clinical** and **non-clinical** psychology careers in the NHS. Speakers include:

- Dr Clare Daniel, Chief Clinical Psychologist, Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust
- The Oxford Institute of Clinical Psychology Training and Research, University of Oxford
- Buckinghamshire Talking Therapies
- Elaine Pope, Head of Engagement, Culture & Organisational Development, Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust
- Buckinghamshire New University - mental health nursing and forensic psychology

Find out more and book you free tickets [here](#)





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Careers in Medicine

Thurs 16th July

5-7pm

In-person event at Stoke Mandeville Hospital



Buckinghamshire Healthcare
NHS Trust

What's it really like to be a doctor – and how do you become one? Explore alternatives to medicine, get university application advice and discover exciting 'plan B' careers in healthcare.

Speakers and sessions include:

- Dr Matthew Size, Director of Medical Education and Consultant Anaesthetist
- Dr Sunjay Paul, Senior Lecturer and Selection Lead, The University of Buckingham
- Medical student representatives
- Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust Simulation and Skills Team
- Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) practice

Find out more and book your free tickets [here](#)



Orthoptist



Paramedic



Art Therapist



Dramatherapist



Music Therapist



Dietitian



Speech and language



Podiatrist



Diagnostic Radiographer



Therapeutic Radiographer



Occupational Therapist



Osteopath



Operating Department Practitioner



Prosthetist



Orthotist



Physiotherapist



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Careers in Medicine Spotlight on: Optometry



Calling all our STEM students who could be interested in a career in **Optometry**, here is the chance to learn more about this career path and how Specsavers can give you £10,000 towards your university costs.

Optometrists test people's vision, identify eye health problems, prescribe glasses and fit contact lenses. They do a vital job and sometimes spot things before patients are even aware they have any symptoms – for example, they might spot pressure on the optic nerve which could signal the presence of a tumour.

Find out more about what an [optometrist](#)

And discover more about the Bright Stars scholarship with Specsavers [here](#)

[Here](#) is also a list of the universities which offer degrees in Optometry in the UK.

Entry requirements often ask for 2 STEM subjects from Biology, Chemistry, Maths, and/or Physics. Some universities offer a Foundation year for those who need it.

Bright Stars University Scholarship





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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](#)

