

BIRTHDAYS! Oliver (17), Josh (18), Hannah (18), Tristan (18)



IMPORTANT

GCSE Certificates.

Year 12 – Please make sure you go to the exams office and collect your GCSE certificates as soon as possible.

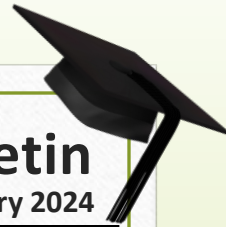
Year 13 – If you still have not collected your GCSE certificates, please also do this as soon as possible.

Year 12 Work Shadowing

Please can you make sure you speak with Mrs Neville in regard to your Work Shadowing – you are all able to take **up to 3 days** during this academic year, whether this be in person or virtually (opportunities are advertised in these bulletins). It can be during term time or during school holidays. Please make sure it is relevant to your future pathway, if you need help please ask. Everyone is expected to do something.

Sixth Form Bulletin

January 2024



Message from Mrs Moore:

As we enter the New Year, we make resolutions to be a better version of ourselves than we were last year. This can be daunting as it is so easy to 'fail'. This got me thinking about a guest speaker we had last term, who is where he is now because he said yes to challenges and experiences which pushed him outside of his comfort zone. Too often we find ourselves in a rut, not knowing which step to take next because it makes us uncomfortable to consider the what ifs, but sometimes it the most uncomfortable moments which shape who we are. So, in 2024 as you move onto new challenges, I ask you to consider the power of saying yes before you say no.

Important Notices

- Please ensure you are wearing your lanyards at **ALL TIMES** on site. Return borrowed lanyards **ASAP**.
- Mobile phones and headphones are only permitted in Sixth Form areas. Staff will have to enforce the school behaviour policy if they are seen elsewhere.
- **Please sign out WHENEVER you leave the site. Sign back in if you return.**
- Ensure you **ALWAYS** close the North Gate behind you.
- **Please be reminded that the Sixth Form dress code does NOT include joggers or crop tops.**
- There is **NO** eating in study 6 except at break and lunchtimes.



Channel Talent would like to invite you to their Spring term programme of free interactive university online events. Look out for more in the coming months!

HE Guidance:

- **1st February 2024 @ 15:45 - 16:30** Super Curricular: Creating Impressive Academic Profiles - My Super Curricular & University of Bath (KS4 & KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **6th February 2024 @ 15:35 - 16:35** Mathematics - University Module Insights & The Learning Experience – Nottingham & UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **22nd February 2024 @ 16:30 - 17:15** HE Guidance: Student Finance, Scholarships & Budgeting - UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

English Literature & Language, Drama & Theatre, Education:

- **28th February 2024 @ 16:30 - 17:30** Creative Writing: Skills & Insight - Creative Writing Workshop with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **29th February 2024 @ 16:00 - 17:00** English Literature: University Book Club – The Picture of Dorian Gray by Oscar Wilde with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Mathematics, Physics, Computer Science:

- **6th February 2024 @ 15:35 - 16:35** Mathematics - University Module Insights & The Learning Experience – Nottingham & UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **27th February 2024 @ 11:00 - 12:00** insight4me Physics: Quantum Physics with Nottingham & Surrey (KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **27th February 2024 @ 13:00 - 13:45** Computer Science: Algorithms, Ethics & Legislation with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Psychology, Biology, Medicine, Nursing, Sport, Sociology:

- **29th February 2024 @ 14:10 - 15:00** Psychology/Biology: Exploring Memory with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Extended Project Qualification:

- **7th February 2024 @ 14:00 - 14:45** Extended Project Qualification: Academic Writing - Southampton (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Law, Politics, Geography:

- **5th February 2024 @ 16:15 - 17:15** Global Conflict – Interdisciplinary University Perspectives & Debate – UEA & IHEID (KS4 & KS5) [Find out more »](#)
- **28th February 2024 @ 13:00 - 13:45** Politics/IR: Can We Control Nuclear Weapons? – Tutorial – Aberystwyth (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Chemistry:

- **27th February 2024 @ 15:35 - 16:20** Chemistry: Inorganic Chemistry - Metals in Medicine with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

Business, Economics:

- **5th February 2024 @ 11:15 - 12:00** Economics: Aggregate Demand - UK Case Study with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)

History/Classical Civilisation:

- **28th February 2024 @ 14:15 - 15:00** History: The Making of a Superpower: USA, 1865–1975 - Tutorial – UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#)



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National Audit Office's (NAO) Apprenticeship Training Scheme
 applications open until –
Monday 18th March 2024 (23:59)



There are many exciting opportunities coming up at Speakers for Schools in 2024 through our Discovery Workshops, Insight Days and Work Experience placements – please check out the link below:
[Work Experience Opportunities | Speakers for Schools](#)



The **Italian Studies Section** at **University of Cambridge** invites students to attend the **MML** (Modern and Medieval Languages) and **HML** (History and Modern Languages) **Italian Degree Masterclass** for A-Level students.

The event will take place on **Wednesday 13 March 2024** in **Pembroke College** at the University of Cambridge.

<https://italianmasterclass2024.eventbrite.com>



IBM Apprenticeships – Accepting Applications Soon!

New year means new opportunities at IBM! We will soon be opening applications for many of our apprenticeship schemes. We will be hiring for both degree and regular apprenticeships and will be accepting applications during **National Apprenticeship Week** (6th – 12th of February 2023).

- Opening **Monday 5th of February 2024** - Level 4 Junior Management Consultant, DevOps and Test
 - Opening **Thursday 8th of February 2024** (open for one day only) – Level 6 Digital and Technology Solutions Degree
- Register your interest**



For over 2000 lecture videos, on topics across the Arts & Sciences, visit:
www.gresham.ac.uk – also please check out your Teams pages for further information.



Join us for live webinars from 5th – 8th February.

Upcoming sessions will cover:

- **Computer Science**
- **Electronic and Electrical Engineering**
- **Materials Science and Engineering**
- **Physics**

https://www.swansea.ac.uk/study/webinar-series/masterclass-series-registration/?utm_source=sprint&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=fseug24&utm_id=fseug24&utm_content=masterclass



University of Essex

We have lots of exciting new events planned for both you and your students to engage with in 2024:

- [National Careers Week](#) 4-9 March 2024, find out more [below](#).
- [British Science Week](#) 8-17 March 2024, find out more [below](#).
- [Exploring Economics, Politics and International Relations](#) 26 March 2024 - An opportunity for students to explore Economics, Politics and International Relations at undergraduate level.
- [The Shakespeare Project](#) 26 March 2024 - A Shakespeare themed event to compliment the curriculum and give Year 12 and 13 students the opportunity to explore our Department of Literature, Film and Theatre Studies.
- [Philosophy and History in Wivenhoe Park](#) 27 March 2024 - A day designed to showcase both the historical and philosophical topics students can study with us at Essex.
- [Maths Winsten Day](#) 27 March 2024 - A free day of Maths activities aimed at Sixth Form and College students, held in honour of former lecturer at Essex, Christopher Winsten.
- [Life Sciences Discovery Day](#) 27 March 2024 - A chance for Year 12,13 and mature students to spend practical time in a lab to experience Life Sciences at Essex.
- [Social Sciences Conference](#) 28 March 2024 - An opportunity for students to attend taster sessions from the Department of Sociology, Psychology and Psychosocial and Psychoanalytic studies.
- [Experience Essex Law School](#) 24 April 2024 - A day which aims to give students the experience of what it would be like to study at Essex Law School.
- [Annual Teachers and Advisers Conference](#) 27 June 2024 - Teachers, advisers, counsellors and colleagues from schools and colleges across the UK are invited onto our Colchester Campus to explore the university attend sessions for Continuing Professional Development and receive updates on the HE sector.
- [Summer Insight Days](#) 3-4 July 2024 - Our Summer Insight Days allow prospective students the option to sample two subject areas and meet our enthusiastic staff members.



Degree Apprenticeships



Virtual Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship (PCDA) Information Session - 31 January 6pm to 7pm

Are you considering a career in policing? Join our PCDA information session and learn more about working whilst completing a degree.

- The recruitment and application process for the PCDA
- A PCDA student perspective
- Police representation from our partner forces, who will answer your questions during a Q&A.

[Register for events and view more information about National Apprenticeship Week on our website](#)

Virtual Degree Apprenticeship Information Session - 8 February 10:30am to 11:30am

As part of the National Apprenticeship week, Year 12 and 13 students and staff can learn what degree apprenticeships are, what subjects ARU offer and tips on finding and applying for vacancies.

If you're registering as teacher with a class, or have any questions, please email **Emily** at schoolsandcolleges@aru.ac.uk. Registration links are on the button below.



UNIVERSITY OF PORTSMOUTH

Up and coming Open Days – Saturday 2nd, 23rd March and 20th April 2024

If you have applied to Portsmouth and missed an Open Day, you are highly encouraged to attend one of the above.

<https://www.port.ac.uk/study/open-days/guided-campus-tours>