



Dear Sixth Form and Parents/Carers,

As May half term is fast approaching, we thought it was important to share some key information and dates with you about events that will be happening for both Year 12 and Year 13 after half term.

Dates for the diary!

Year 13

Friday 28th May will be the last day of assessments for A level subjects and for most students their last day at CHSG.

Year 13 will then be working from home on online courses and WEX opportunities from **Tuesday 8th to Thursday 10th June**. All resources will continue to be shared by Miss Bevan on SMHW. Students are able to come in during these 3 days but will need to sign in with Miss Connolly in S block. Some students will want to meet with staff to arrange further reading to help prepare them for their university courses.

On **Friday 11th June**, it will be the **Year 13 Leavers Ceremony**. We would like to have this event to say goodbye to the students, many of which have been with us for 7 years. As they are all in the same bubble, this is able to happen safely. The Leavers Ceremony will replace the Year 13 Prize Giving event, historically in the autumn term.

Any **BTEC students** will still need to attend lessons after half term to complete work. Please can you remind your daughter to come in and complete BTEC work will need to be marked and submitted by the 18th June.

Year 12

Year 12 exams will take place **week beginning 14th June**. Please can we direct you to the sharePoint: Sixth form study support where you can find revision resources to help your child. The pre-public examinations are an important part of Year 12 as these will give an early prediction for their post 18 applications and in addition, allow teachers to see how we can best support your daughter/son. There is **no** study leave for students during these examinations. If students are not attending examinations, they are expected to attend **all** normal lessons. Staff are aware of when students have examinations and will plan accordingly.

All of our Year 12 students are continuing to make informed decisions about their post 18 pathways. They are currently drafting their personal statements and will need to hand in their second draft before half term.

#teamchsg

Kind regards,

Mrs Norman, Miss Bevan and Miss Cherry

LIPA

Get Ready Get Ready is a one day online event open to any Year 12 student considering applying to university for 2022 entry to study a performing arts course.

The event starts at 10.00am and finishes at 4.00pm and includes practical skill-building workshops in your chosen area from:

- Film making
- Management
- Theatre Design
- Theatre Technology
- Music Production
- Music Performance
- Dance
- Acting

It will also offer guidance sessions on how to apply to university and what funding is available. For more information and to book visit <https://lipa.ac.uk/Pages/Events.aspx?evid=201>

Applications are open for the **London School of Economics' Year 12 Politics Conference and Management Masterclass.**

These online events will give you a taster of university-level teaching and an insight into what it's like to study at LSE. Visit the following links for more information on the two events and instructions for how to book.

Politics Conference: <https://www.lse.ac.uk/study-at-lse/Undergraduate/widening-participation/Sixth-form-college/politicsconference-year-12>

Management Masterclass: <https://www.lse.ac.uk/study-at-lse/Undergraduate/widening-participation/Sixth-formcollege/management-masterclass>

UK University Search

UK University Search have just launched StudentStream, which brings together video content featuring advice, help and expert knowledge from universities and colleges across the UK.

Simply use the search tool at the top right of the homepage to find videos that are suitable for you or select the different categories to help inform, motivate or inspire you.

For more information visit: <https://www.studentstream.co.uk/>

UK University & Apprenticeship Search Virtual Fair on Wednesday 26th May (12:00-18:00). This free event features a multitude of universities, colleges, and apprenticeship providers from around the UK, along with 10 interactive webinars and **virtual campus tours**. It is aimed at years 12 and 13 as well as parents.

Students, parents and carers simply need to register online at: <https://ukunisearchsouth.vfairs.com>

University Open Days

There are a lot of open days coming up so do look at the calendar link below to make sure you book your place for the universities you would like to research. <https://www.opendays.com/calendar/>

[Crash Course \(thecrashcourse.com\)](https://thecrashcourse.com)

Click on the above link and show that you are building up an amazing directory of super-curricular opportunities to boost your post 18 applications.

Personal statements

The personal statement is their opportunity to show an Admissions Tutor that they are an *interesting person* who is *interested in* the course they are responsible for. It is their one chance to stand out and shine. There are lots of great ways to write an excellent Personal Statement and we will guide them through this. Now is the perfect time to think about what they want to study, what makes it interesting and start collecting evidence to prove their interest in their chosen course.

To get started, they should be reading articles from newspapers, relevant magazines and online, for example:

- [BBC news](#)
- [Science Daily](#)
- [Law Gazette](#)

We are encouraging all students to sign up for university taster courses, demonstration lectures, master classes and Summer Schools. Even if they are online, they are still excellent evidence of their interest in the course (we are also sending out links via SMHW for Y12) They can also watch online talks - [TEDtalks](#) - and find [YouTube lectures](#) or even [university courses](#) in their subject area – the internet is their friend!

Please can we direct you to the sharePoint: Sixth form study support where you can find many resources to help your child in writing their personal statement.

Career and Apprenticeship opportunities

Search for Apprenticeships

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

<https://careerfinder.ucas.com/jobs/apprenticeship/>

Speakers for Schools: Virtual Work Experience

For a full list of placements –

sign in here to search and apply: <https://www.s4snextgen.org/>

Springpod Virtual Work Experience Opportunities

Springpod's June virtual work experience programmes are now accepting applications for their next cohort. This is also a great chance for any students who haven't yet done any virtual work experience to apply.

As many of you will know, these programmes are entirely remote, can be completed at times that suit you and offer a certificate that is great for CVs, cover letters and interviews upon completion.

They will run between 1 June to 11 June 2021 and the application deadline is midnight on 24 May 2021.

Here's a list of some of the more technical and business orientated programmes on offer.

-Business Management -Finance -Law -Politics -Marketing
-Psychology - Engineering -Dentistry -Technology

You can view all of the June programmes here:

https://www.springpod.co.uk/virtual-work-experience-programmes?utm_source=campus&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mayprogrammesprom1_21_04_21

Don't forget you do need to create an account to apply.

The University of Law Virtual Work Experience is taking place from **26 to 28 July 2021** and is open to students in both Year 12 and 13.

You should be interested in Business or Law, but you do not need to be currently studying these subjects.

As part of the scheme, you will get the opportunity to:

- Gain insight into what working for a law firm or business is like
- Develop transferable skills
- Complete mock tasks that replicate real work activity
- Experience lectures delivered by professionals
- Expand your employability skills
- Network with students, business advisors and lawyers

To secure a place on the scheme, you must **complete a short application form and submit it no later than 5pm on Friday 18 June 2021**.

For more information and to apply visit:

<https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU044fg6AX80Gr>



Dress Code

From September, we are introducing a new dress code for the Sixth Form. We feel that this is really important for a number of reasons.

- To promote learning
- To help raise standards
- To encourage a sense of community and equality

This is an item on our school council agenda and the students have had a chance to respond to this and give us their thoughts and feedback. We will then share the finalised dress code. We appreciate that this is a big change for year 12 and wanted to give them sufficient time to prepare for this. Mrs Norman did an assembly about the dress code this week with the students.

Sixth Form Dress Code 2021

- Students must be smartly dressed at all times, as you would be if working in a smart professional environment. Sixth Form students are role models for the rest of CHSG and as such need to be smartly presented at all times. A smart business style is therefore expected.
- Clothing must be smart professional attire and not casual wear.
- All students **must** wear their ID badges at all time.
- The school values the diversity of cultures, religions and disabilities of its students and will take a sensitive approach when this affects dress requirements, however, faces must remain uncovered in school.



#CaptainTom100

A year on from the day that the late Captain Sir Tom Moore started his world-famous 100 laps of his garden, we saw people across the UK creating their own version of his challenge. His daughter, Hannah, and his family had kindly invited the world to celebrate Captain Tom's life, along with his generosity of spirit, the hope and joy he brought to millions, and his sense of fun, by taking part in a new initiative over what would have been his 101st birthday weekend.



In an effort to spread the message of hope and resilience, I took part in the "Captain Tom 100" challenge on Sunday 2nd May, making 100 cookies. Remembering Captain Tom's resilience definitely got me through this lengthy task!

Not only did I rekindle my love for baking, but I was able to raise funds for a charity of my choice, as well as spread Captain Tom's message of hope.

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Wellbeing and mental Health support

Place2be:

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/>

NHS

Mental health services are free on the NHS. Click here to find out more about the services available to you <https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/nhs-services/mental-health-services/how-to-access-mental-health-services/>

Kooth

Free, safe and anonymous online support for young people : <https://www.kooth.com/>

Off The Record

<https://www.talkofftherecord.org/sutton/> for a quicker turn round of mental health support.

Mind

<https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/>

Time to change

<https://www.time-to-change.org.uk/>

Youngminds

<https://youngminds.org.uk/>

