



Years 12 & 13 Newsletter: March 2023



We are now well into 2023 but the last few days of term before Christmas continued to be very busy in Sixth Form. We held a rewards breakfast, together with decorations, music and food to celebrate a very successful Autumn term. Forms competed to make their own themed stained glass windows to brighten up the Sixth Form area, with 13LHS as the victors! Students and families were extremely generous in donations made to the Bay Foodbank, who were very grateful for the large amount of food we delivered to them.

Year 13

We are very proud of our Year 13 students who have sent in their UCAS applications this year; we currently have students holding offers from Oxford and Durham universities, and in courses including Midwifery, Nursing, English, Film Production and Business, in addition to a range of others. We have some students who have impressed universities so much with their applications that they are in the enviable position of holding unconditional offers.

Student Finance is now open for students going to university in September. Please follow this <u>link</u> for all the information you need to apply. The deadline for applying is 19th May. All students in Year 13 have now had tutorial sessions on finding and applying for apprenticeships and how to write CVs and cover letters. Students should be checking vacancies on a weekly basis and tutors and I are available to support with applications and interviews. Anyone not applying to university has also been offered a Connexions appointment. We recently welcomed staff from TyneCoast to discuss HNDs and HNCs with a select number of students to provide information on alternative routes following Year 13.

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Year 12

Year 12 have continued their research on Post 18 options during tutorials and in January Newcastle University spoke to the year group about how to use Unifrog to research universities and courses. We will spend greater time focusing on this in tutorials next term. We were also lucky to secure a visit from a Senior Lecturer at the University of Cumbria in March, who delivered a session to a select few Year 12 and 11 students, interested in careers in teaching or education.

At the start of the term all Sixth Form students sat trial exams. Feedback from this has been overwhelmingly positive and students now have a good understanding of what they need to do next in order to secure their target grades. We were delighted with the turnout at our recent Parents' Evening and we thank you for your ongoing support with your child's education.

PREVIEW OF NEXT TERM REVIEW OF THIS TERM • Year 12 Higher Education Workshop Visit and talks from Leeds University 17th January staff to Year 12 and 13- 18th April Year 12 and 13 trial exam week- 23rd Student Finance application to 27th January deadline (to be completed at UCAS external deadline 25th January home)- 19th May Sixth Form Progress Evening- 2nd External exams begin in May Year 12 trial exams- 5th- 16th June March Elevate education workshops Year 12 Visit to York St Johns (tbc) continue Year 12 Work Experience w/c 10th Get into teaching talk- 9th March July Careers Speed Dating- 21st March STARS OF THE TERM IN LESSONS NEXT TERM To read more about what your child will be Year 12 studying in lessons next term, visit the Luke Warriner Curriculum Overview pages on our website and Gemma Rolland look at the Term Three column. Erin Banks Sadie Brash **Charlotte Payton** Year 13 Lily Bushby Katie Morse Millie Fawcett Mollie Richardson Dylan Walsh **EXTRA-CURRICULAR HOMEWORK BREAKFAST CLUB** Encourage your child to take All Sixth Form students will All students welcome 08:00part in a club. See the receive regular homework 08:30 every day. Bagels, timetable on our website. set by their subject teachers cereal, hot drinks and more.

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in all their courses.