# Sixth Form Bulletin



City of Norwich School Sixth Form An Ormiston Academy | *Excellence in all* 

# Friday 17th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers of 6th Form,

Ms Cook and I are in the process of meeting with the 172 Yr13 students who have already started their university applications through UCAS. The internal deadline of today always feels very early, but this is so that we can offer every student a 20 minute exit interview. This is with the 6<sup>th</sup> form leadership team to go through their applications and triangulate choices, grades and references. We have already sent off 38 applications and 32 have received offers already.

When we meet with Yr13 parents on the 5<sup>th</sup> December to look at exam preparation, we will also provide you with a UCAS update and answer any questions you have about UCAS and pathways next steps.

Parents of Yr12, you will see in this bulletin the Mid-semester timetable. This is the first of a series of semester exams they will sit with us which are designed to prepare them thoroughly for their Yr13 exams.

For both years, the assessment periods can be a stressful time. We have two brilliant pastoral managers and very supportive form tutors for students to be able to talk to if they need to.

In VESPA this week, student were learning of the change curve and how our emotions are affected when going through changes. We hope that by sharing this with students, they are able to better understand and manage these emotions in life.

The photos opposite are from the 6<sup>th</sup> form Drama workshop run by CNS alumnus Molly Cutter who is currently at drama school and spent a day helping the students practice their performances.

Have a super weekend, Kate Nichols Director of 6<sup>th</sup> Form Deputy Head Teacher City of Norwich School - An Ormiston Academy

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# Key Dates

Nov	<b>24</b> <sup>th</sup>	F	No school – Staff Development Day	
Dec	4 <sup>th</sup>	M-F	Yr12 Mid-Semester Exams (No reading week)	
Dec	5 <sup>th</sup>	Τυ	Yr13 Parents' Revision and Pathways Evening	
Dec	7 <sup>th</sup>	Th	Winter Concert	
Jan	12 <sup>th</sup>	F	Yr12 Mid-Semester Reports Sent Home	

#### Absence

If your child is absent, please ask them to notify their teachers and parents **MUST** contact Ms King <u>c.king@cns-school.org</u> (Yr12) and Ms Cooper <u>l.cooper@cns-school.org</u> (Yr13)

#### Bursary Forms

If you need any assistance with Bursary claims, please email <u>k.blake@cns-school.org#</u>

#### Go4Schools – Attendance, Homework, timetables



All students and parents should download the Go4Schools app onto their phones. All homework, timetables and attendance information can be found on here.

## CAREERS GUIDANCE

#### **Career Guidance Interviews**

We now have 2 new careers advisers working in school, Jane Emerson & Tracey Scarsbrook. They are in school 2 days each week.

Appointments can be booked by emailing Mrs Pentney <u>n.pentney@cns-school.org</u>

Appointments are usually scheduled at least 2 weeks in advance, we are already fully booked until half term, so please keep this in mind when requesting a meeting.

## Personal Statement online workshop for Year 13 - Wednesday 29th November

- ✓ Aimed at Year 13 students looking to apply to university, this workshop is aimed at helping you perfect your Personal Statement focusing on strategies to make your statement stylish, concise, and accurate with lots of examples to peruse from different subject areas.
- Click <u>HERE</u> to register if you haven't done so already and we'll send the invite out to you the day before.

6 <sup>th</sup> Form Council					
Agenda:					
item	discussion				
Exam Timetables	Please can we have exam calendars as early as possible to be planning our revision and mid-semester week. – Yes, the mid-semester timetable is in this bulletin. Yr13 mocks will be published in the next 3 weeks,				

# **CELEBRATING SUCCESS**

#### **ESU Debate Competition**

A big well done to Vian Muhammad, Edi Lea and Sara Ouchai for debating in the ESU Mace Competition on Wednesday evening. They competed against Norwich School, opposing the motion that court cases in Britain should be televised. They made it a highly enjoyable and successful evening. They really did CNS proud! Miss Shirazi



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# **STUDENT SUCCESS**



Congratulations to Ollie Pike who won silver in the men's 4x50m freestyle relay and the gold in the mens 4x50m medley relay at the East Region championships last weekend.

Amazing!

# IS YOUR CHILD MISSING OUT ON IMPORTANT SUPER CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES?

If they haven't signed up to Norfolk Higher Aspiration Scheme, then the answer is probably "YES".

The link for students to sign up to the scheme is <u>Student Registration Link</u> This will ensure you receive information regarding opportunities tailored to your studies, interests and aspirations.

# Yr12 Pathway Planning

Year 12, if you are not already regularly engaging with super-curricular activities (wider reading, listening, attending talks/lectures/masterclasses), this half term is the perfect time to start making this part of your weekly routine. This is one of the things that universities most value in a UCAS Application and it personalises and contextualises who you are as a person: what interests, excites and piques your curiosity.

Try a MOOC, or a new non-fiction book, or a film, or an online workshop through universities.

# Yr12 Semester Exams w/b 4<sup>th</sup> December

#### Location: Gym

This is NOT a reading week: Students will be expected in school / classes when they are not in an exam. New content will not be taught in lessons.

#### Assessment Model Guidance:

Date/Timeframe	Reading Week?	Format	Content	Guidance	Grading
w/b 4th Dec 23. Data on Go4Schools Thurs 11th Jan. Full reports to Y12 on 12th Jan.	No	Exam papers x 1 per subject Max 90 mins	All content covered so far.	Staff will use past AS / part full papers to compile papers. Students must revise full content since Sept.	A-Level Grade

#### Year 12 EXAM timetable:

	08:45 (arrive)	13:15 (arrive)	
	Exam starts: 09:00	Exam starts: 13:30	
MON 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Psychology	English Lit English Combined Product Design	
TUES 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Sociology Spanish - laptops rm 23 Physics History ( <mark>3 clashes</mark> )	Chemistry Economics Food & Nutrition <mark>3 History Clash students</mark>	
WED 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Biology Philosophy & Ethics French – laptops rm 21	Further Maths PE & Sports Science Law	
THURS 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Business Environmental Science German - laptops rm 23 Film Studies	Geography Computer Science Politics & Government	
FRI 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Mathematics Core Maths Theatre Studies		

✓ Any students with a clash will sit their clash paper on NEXT AVAILABLE EXAM SLOT.

✓ For afternoon exams – Students should have lunch at 12:45, and will need to leave P4 early.

- ✓ Access arrangements Room 24.
- ✓ If students miss an exam and do not have medical evidence, they be given a U grade.

#### Lost Property:

Lost Property should be taken to Mrs Blake or your year office. The lost item will be placed on the lost property shelf on the large grey desk in the study centre (valuable items will be kept in offices.)

Each week, we will publish the items and post pictures. Please go to the grey shelf to claim your lost item.

## **Tri-city Sports Tournament**

Calling all badminton players..... As part of a proposed Tri-City 6<sup>th</sup> Form sports tournament, we will be competing against Notre Dame and Sir Isaac Newton in a number of

## disciplines, the first being **Badminton**.

We need 3 boys and 3 girls to make up a team to play level and mixed doubles and win bragging rights 😉

# WE PLAY NOTRE DAME ON 7<sup>TH</sup> DEC

If you would like to play, please email Mrs B asap. k.blake@cns-school.org



# **STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES**

# Getting Savvy with your Personal Finances

# 2023-24 online with the HSBC Bank

Now more than ever it is critical that you wise up to how to budget, save money where you can, protect yourselves against fraud and begin to prepare the ground for leaving home. Sign up now for these excellent sessions delivered by HSBC:

- Week 2 Fraud and Your Money –6th December
- Week 3 Savvy Shopping 16<sup>th</sup> Jan
- Week 4 Kickstart Your Finances 13<sup>th</sup> Feb
- Week 5 Budgeting for Uni 12<sup>th</sup> March
- Week 6 Borrowing Money 30<sup>th</sup> April
- Week 7 Intro to Investing 14<sup>th</sup> May
- Week 8 Moving out of home 2<sup>nd</sup> July

Register your interest <u>HERE</u> if you haven't done so already and we'll ensure we send you links.



# Norfolk & Waveney Health & Social Care Y12 Academy Programme

Commencing January 2024 - great introduction to the sector with a video :-)

This little video gives you an insight and might be useful to share with students: <u>https://nwhaca.com/</u> The idea of the programme which is delivered over 5-6 months is to provide students with insights into the wide array of roles, opportunities and routes into the sector. Students will gain an awareness of each topic, gain transferable life skills, find out about available WEX and the apprenticeships available. Yr 12 Norfolk and Waveney Health and Social care Academy Student Application form. (2)



# Norfolk and Waveney Health and Social Care Academy



## Dear Student,

Registration for EDT Residential Insight into University 2024 courses is now open. Residential Insight into University courses are Industrial Cadets accredited summer schools which can help you decide which degree course might be right for you and also enhance your UCAS application. Courses run over 4 or 5 days where Yr12/S5-6 students get a taster of university life and an insight into a specific STEM subject. Please see below the list of courses available for 2024, with some dates still to be confirmed:

- Materials Science at the University of Oxford, 17<sup>th</sup> June 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024 4 nights residential
- Materials Science at the University of Cambridge, 30<sup>th</sup> June 4<sup>th</sup> July 4 nights residential
- Broad based Engineering at the University of Sheffield 4 nights residential
- Aerospace Engineering at the University of Liverpool 4 nights residential
- Maths at Lancaster University, 29th July 1st August 2024 3 nights residential
- Mechanical Engineering at UCL 3 nights residential
- Ocean & Earth Science at the University of Southampton, 21st July 25th July 2024 4 nights residential
- Additional courses coming soon!

It's just like studying at university! You will get the opportunity to experience university style lectures and work on activities and group projects with the support of academics and student mentors. Throughout the duration of the course, you will stay in halls of residence and will take part in social activities in the evenings.

For dates, cost, requirements, content of each course and the application form, please click here.

You can select up to three different courses you'd like to apply for. Please submit only one application and note we can only allocate one course place per student. You will need your personal and school details and you will be required to write a short personal statement to tell us why you would like to do the courses you are applying for, which subjects you are currently studying and your predicted grades (please check the course is suitable for you before applying). Applications are open for a limited time and will close on the 31<sup>st</sup> of January 2024.

Please make sure you check out our FAQs page if you have any questions or contact our student support team on studentrecruitment@etrust.org.uk

To hear what students had to say about their residential summer course last summer, please click here.

We look forward to receiving your application! Student Recruitment and Support Team EDT (Engineering Development Trust) Tel: 01707 906106| Email: <u>studentrecruitment@etrust.org.uk</u> Website: www.etrust.org.uk

# LSE Springboard



THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE



#### Applications for your Year 12 students to apply for LSE Springboard are closing soon!

If you work with high achieving students currently planning their next steps after school/college, <u>The London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)</u> is offering your pupils a fantastic opportunity to take part in the Springboard programme.

The programme gives students an in-depth look at university-level teaching and learning, where they will gain the support they need to apply to LSE and other high-tariff universities. Applications are closing next week, so this is the final chance for your students to apply.

The fully funded 10-month hybrid programme kicks off in January and includes:

- An online academic programme delivered by PhD tutors in partnership with The Brilliant Club
- Multiple campus visits to LSE, including an end of programme celebration
- Virtual information sessions on applying to university, student finance and budgeting and personal statements
- Guidance sessions on how to think about careers, revision skills and mental wellbeing

Discover the programme

#### Deadline: Sunday 26th November.

All students who complete the Springboard programme and go on to apply to LSE will be considered for contextual admissions. To check your students' eligibility and for more information about how to apply, all the details can be found on our <u>website</u>. Act now, as the deadline to apply is **Sunday, 26th November** at midnight.

All our activities are designed to provide an insight into undergraduate studies, student life and the types of support available at LSE.

The Springboard programme is specifically designed to reach students who live outside of the South East of England and is open to students who are currently underrepresented at LSE, as part of our ongoing

commitment to inclusivity and diversity. Full eligibility criteria can be found here.



Last chance to apply now