Sixth Form Bulletin



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

Friday 4th December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers of 6th Form,

Our festive elves have been very busy today and there is a lovely atmosphere in the Elkins Centre.

Ms Philpott and I met with Dr Tom Elkins and his wife this week. They have set up a donation for the 6th form that will allow leadership to flourish with our students. Tom Elkins served as Head Teacher for 22 years, and for the next 22 years, the family will make a substantial donation to the school that will be allocated to the student leaders in 6th form to make the improvements that they would like to see.

We highly value student voice and leadership at CNS and this will help give a greater voice and impact in our 6th form; we are very grateful to Tom and his family for this kindness.

Yr12s have their first semester exams this week, we wish them all the best with these first formal exams and remind them that it is all about balance. If they need to speak to someone if they are not coping, they have tutors, teachers and their year team all to help them.

If you are able to help support our food bank appeal this year, please do send in items list on the advert in this bulletin – Thank you!.

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

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Key Dates

Dec	4 th	M-F	Yr12 Mid-Semester Exams (No reading week)	
Dec	5 th	Tu	Yr13 Parents' Revision Evening	
Dec	7 th	Th	Winter Concert	
Jan	12^{th}	F	Yr12 Mid-Semester Reports Sent Home	
Jan	18^{th}	Th	Ex-Year 11 GCSE Award Evening (for current Yr12s)	

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.

Lost Property:

Lost Property should be taken to Mrs Blake. 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.



6th Form Football Tournament Success

Well done to the following students from the 6th Form football team who went undefeated at the sixth form 'smash up' at Open Academy: Sam L, Ismael A, Jaiden V, Fin C, Harry M, Harry W, Joseph S, Oli L and Nabil V. Muhammad M was extra support as he recovers from injury. We played four games, drew three of them and won 1. Defensively solid, all tight games and some superb goals from: Jaiden V, Ismael A and Fin C. Honourable mention to Sam L who was a rock in goal out of his natural position.

I am organising more fixtures, and we are always looking for more players so please email me <u>j.humphreys@cns-school.org</u> if you are in year 12 or 13 and would like to join.

Practice: Friday week 2 lunch – Sports Hall Potential upcoming fixtures: UTCN, Notre Dame

Yr12 Semester Exams w/b 4th 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 Wee	ng Format	Content	Guidance	Grading
w/b 4th Dec 23. Data on Go4Schools Thurs No 11th Jan. Full reports to Y12 on 12th Jan.	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 th Dec	Psychology	English Lit English Combined Product Design
TUES 5 th Dec	Sociology Spanish - laptops rm 23 Physics History (<mark>3 clashes</mark>)	Chemistry Economics Food & Nutrition <mark>3 History Clash students</mark>
WED 6 th Dec	Biology Philosophy & Ethics French – laptops rm 21	Further Maths PE & Sports Science Law
THURS 7 th Dec	Business Environmental Science German - laptops rm 23 Film Studies	Geography Computer Science Politics & Government
FRI 8 th 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.

Fair Education Youth Summit

Year 12 student Charis attended the Youth Summit in London. Run by the Fair Education Alliance, this event looked at addressing equal access to education and instigating change through youth social action. The Fair Education Alliance is a coalition of organisations with the aim of tackling educational inequality, including issues such as insufficient school funding and rising national poverty.



If you are interested in following Charis' excellent example of engaging in positive change for education you can find out more here: Fair Education Alliance

6th Form Council

Agenda:

Item	Discussion		
Form feedback	 Thank you for our exam timetables – Yr12 The Road barrier for cars doesn't lift until 3:20 – Can this be earlier? Ms Nichols to ask site team. Lanyards – we still can't get in the gate. – Same for staff, it is on the list to sort! Behaviour in main school – teachers are having to leave lessons to deal with the behaviours. New behaviour policy being shared next week. Mock exams – what will be on them. Will they be Paper 1? Paper 2 etc? – Mocks may contain all content since Sept 2022. Most are a hybrid of papers – teachers will inform students for clarity. Please could the catering team reduce the butter in sandwiches? It is very thick! – Fed back to catering team. Also if students want butter free – please see Cath 		
Christmas Elves to help Ms Cooper decorate the study centre and study hall are:	Angel Hilton, Sara Ouchai, Ben Quinton, Danicke Theron, James Lee, Tayla Uslu, Poppy Dawson, Nedas Kovaliovas, Libby Gunton, Sasha Shchur, Minnie Harrington, Iza Johnson.		

CHRISTMAS CHARITY – FOOD BANK



UCAS (Year 13 only):

<u>What you should be doing this week:</u> Keep an eye on your emails – Mrs Blake will be emailing about your exit interviews OR you may start getting offers.

If you have all offers back and you are certain of your choices, you can then choose you FIRM and INSURANCE and start making accommodation requests.

If you are not sure, or you don't have all offers back, do be patient. Final decisions for your firm and insurance do not need to be made until May 2024.

Once you have selected you firm and insurance, the other three are declined and are no longer an open offer to you. They go back into the pot for other students who may need clearing offers.

Eco Club

Please come and join us at Eco Club to do our bit in saving the world! We meet at Monday week 1, Lunchtime in room 41 (Mr Brown's Science Lab)

Master Classes

UCL Masterclasses

UCL Masterclasses 2024 Applications open You've got the power. Are you interested in studying Linguistics at university? UCL are running a masterclass on the subject. Linguistics is a subject that may appeal to students doing A level English or Psychology and can lead to a range of careers. If you want to sign up, click here: https://www.ucl.ac.uk/widening-participation/learners/year-12and-13/information-advice-and-guidance/masterclasses Need

help? **See Mr Rootham** (They're also running a range of other masterclasses too, click on the link to find out more).

Christmas Comes to 6th Form



STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Eversheds Sutherland Law Firm Work Experience Unlocked programme

Aviva work closely with several law firms to combat social mobility issues and one of them, Eversheds Sutherland, has asked us to share details of their Unlocked programme with you in case it is of interest to your year 12 students.

The Unlocked programme has been running since 2008, with the support of The Sutton Trust. The programme is virtual and aimed at Year 12 students across the UK who have academic potential and an interest in law, but who may believe that a legal career is out of their reach. Over three days, Year 12 students will engage in a range of different activities to help them think about the actions they need to take to get to where they want to be in their career, both in the short term and the long term.

Further details can be found on the attached poster and the link below, where applications can also be made.

https://www.evershedssutherland.com/global/en/where/europe/uk/overview/careers/unlocked/index.html

Please feel free to share both with any students that are interested and the closing date for their application is the 7th of January.

If you have any questions myself and <u>@Hannah Wilson</u> will do our best to assist.

Kind Regards,

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Eversheds Sutherland Unlocked programme

Are you in year 12 or your first year at College and wondering what direction to go in? Do you have an interest in Law but are unsure what a career in law would involve?

Our Unlocked Programme is the perfect answer. This innovative programme is aimed at students who have academic potential and an interest in law, but who may believe that a legal career is out of their reach. We're here to prove that it isn't.

If you attend a state school/sixth form or college and you are in your first year of A-Levels, with mainly GCSE 9 - $6/A^*$ - B grades, little or no family history of higher education and a genuine interest in law - and lots of enthusiasm then you are eligible to enrol on to our programme!

We are a global law firm passionate about opening up legal careers to the best and brightest young minds - especially students, like you, who may not share the typical background of most legal professionals.

Our 2024 programme will be run virtually over three days, you will engage in a range of different activities to help you think about the actions you need to take to get to where you want to be in your career, both in the short term and the long term.

Applications close on 7 January 2024.



The programme will:

- Dispel myths about what it's like to work in a global law firm.
- Give you the chance to interact with current apprentices, trainees, partners, clients and barristers.
- Explore the benefits of setting ambitious but achievable goals.
- Offer advice on different ways of entering a law firm.
- Support you with one-to-one coaching sessions.
- Help you develop non-academic strengths such as communication skills.



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Medical Work Experience

It can be difficult sometimes securing work experience for dentistry or medicine. In light of this, do consider the Virtual Work Experience, recognised by the Medical Schools and Dental Schools Council as a valuable alternative to traditional, in-person shadowing. The Free National NHS Virtual Work Experience programme is now open to all students aged 14 years and above.

If you are in Years 12 – 13 have a look at what is on offer here: https://medicmentor.org/university-hospitals-birmingham-trust-virtual-work-experience/

This month, we're diving into the fascinating world of Surgery, providing your students with the opportunity to witness key-hole surgery, oral surgery, and the unique privilege of shadowing Mr. Challocome, a urology surgeon at Guy's and Thomas' NHS Trust.

This virtual experience opens doors for students to gain valuable insights and opportunities that may be otherwise difficult to access. Working hand in hand with Birmingham Universities Hospitals Trust, our Virtual Work Experience has been a game. It's not just an alternative to in-person shadowing; it's a crucial step in preparing students for their upcoming physical placements.

We've crafted a 6-month medical and 4-month dental e-learning work experience programme that lets students set their own pace. From structured teaching to direct interaction with healthcare professionals, our programme ensures students don't just watch procedures but also understand the broader roles in the medical and dental fields.

What makes our programme unique is the chance for students to schedule 15-minute one-onone appointments with a doctor or medical student at no extra cost. This personal touch lets them dive deeper into their virtual experiences, ask questions, and really enhance their understanding.

Covering everything from ethics to procedures and broader team roles, our virtual work experience gives a crucial overview of their desired career paths and the skills that medical and dental schools are looking for, enhancing their UCAS applications.

Signing up is easy – students just need to fill out the free online application form https://airtable.com/appuQX2ouadvjQUSU/shrroljLczgdg9uLw

Dr Siva Chief Mentor Medic Mentor Enquiry Form: <u>https://airtable.com/shrM6UPT8Z2uxx7OL</u> Phone Number: 01530 417 299 (Available 10am - 6pm Monday - Friday) Website: <u>https://medicmentor.org</u>

Virtual Work Experience opportunities







Women making their mark in the Army

VIRTUAL INSIGHT DAY 23rd January, 11am - 12pm

Ages: 16-19 Application Deadline: 5th Jan

apply here:

LAW, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND SOCIAL WORK CONFERENCE



31 January 2024, 9.30am-3.00pm

Interested in making a difference?

Are you in Year 12 and curious about what a degree in the Social Sciences could look like?

Join us at the University of Suffolk for a brand-new conference encompassing:

Law
 Sociology
 Psychology
 Criminology
 Social work

The day will include exciting taster sessions in each subject (attendees can pick up to three from the above list) as well as a tour of our wonderful University campus and presentations about what higher education can do for you.



Book your place