

# Sixth Form Bulletin

## For Parents and Carers



Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers of 6<sup>th</sup> Form,

It was lovely to welcome so many families and students on site to our progress evening for Yr13 last night.

The conversations were honest and productive and I hope students came away feeling motivated and ready to go! I spoke to Yr13 in their assembly this morning about their reflections and taking agency. I encouraged them to be honest about where they are up to and then take on board the advice they will receive from their teachers.

Yr12 forms have been engaged in some healthy competition this last few weeks and the form time photos are just great! We are excited to see who wins!

Ms Kate Nichols  
Director of 6<sup>th</sup> Form  
Deputy Head Teacher  
City of Norwich School - An Ormiston Academy



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## The School Day

Reg	P1	P2	Break	P3	P4	Lunch	P5	P6
8:35am	9:00am	10:00am	11:00am	11:20am	12:20pm	1:20pm	2:05pm	3:05-4:05pm

## Absence

If your child is absent, please ask them to notify their teachers and if you could contact Ms King [c.king@cns-school.org](mailto:c.king@cns-school.org) (Yr12) and Ms Cooper [l.cooper@cns-school.org](mailto:l.cooper@cns-school.org) (Yr13) if you have to miss a lesson for either illness or planned trips, visits etc.

## Key Dates for the Year

Date			Daytime
Oct	18th	F	Deadline for Yr12 Baseline Assessments on Go4Schs (based on A-Level content)
Oct	22nd	T	Yr11 6th Form Assembly
Oct	23rd	W	Paris Trip out for 4 days
Oct	24th	Th	University College London Road Show - Yr12 and 13 - AUDITORIUM Y12/13 Theatre Trip
Nov	7th	Th	Yr12 Open Evening 6 -8:30 (6F volunteers needed)
Nov	26th	T	Yr 12 IEM (Music)
Dec	2nd	M	Yr12 Mid-Semester Exams - NO READING WEEK 6th form Organisation Week
Dec	3rd	T	Yr13 Revision Evening - Fisher 6-7pm
Dec	12th	Th	Christmas Showcase

## Go4Schools – Attendance, Homework, timetables



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

## Morning Programme 2024-25

Students are expected in school at 8:35am each day for the morning programme as shown below. For all other days, students are only expected in when their own lessons begin.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Yr12 Week 1	Tutor briefing		Form time - Routines	Form time - Pathways	Tutor briefing
Yr12 Week 2	Tutorials (invite)		Form time	Assembly	
Yr13 Week 1	Tutor briefing	Form time Routines			Tutor briefing Form time - pathways

Yr13 Week 2	Tutorials (invite)	Form time			Assembly
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## 6<sup>th</sup> Form Council

Meeting weekly – We meet every Weds breaktime in room 97.

Form tutors will have helped elect 2 representatives. If your child is keen to join, tell them just to come along.

***If students want to raise anything at council: They can add to the agenda here:*** [Council Form](#)

## Exam Access Arrangements



<https://forms.office.com/e/XagFrpC8DG>

Please complete if your child has received exam access arrangements in the past.

Many thanks.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Form Council: Chair: Nedas Kovaliovas

Meeting weekly – We meet every Weds breaktime in room 97.

Form tutors will help elect 2 representatives.

Please make sure a rep is going from your form during break Wednesdays and tutors will offer the chance for feedback in the next form time.

***Council would like to hear from as many students as possible. Please use our new forms through this QR code to contribute. It is anonymous and council will feedback through the bulletin:***

<https://forms.office.com/e/rqaa8tRnw2>



Feedback from Council:

- Lunchtimes – is there somewhere else we can sit at break and lunch?  
Yes – please feel free to use Rooms 96 and 97. Please look after the rooms and move the chairs back and clear rubbish!
- Prefects – when does this start?  
Please see Charis Gardiner (deputy head student) and Ms Nichols in room 97 on Monday (TODAY) breaktime. Please bring your calendars and timetables to sign up to events and duties.
- 6th Form Open Evening – Student volunteers  
We need as many Yr12 and 13s as possible to help with the running of our open evening on the 7th Nov. Please check diaries and we will send out a sign-up sheet next week.
- 6th Form Hoodies  
Council requested we had a 6th form hoody that students could purchase each year. This would not be a leavers' hoody but a simple 6th form design. There will be an orange and grey option (6th form colours) plus one other option (keeps costs down). Council have been asked to bring colour suggestions to this week's meeting where we will vote.

- Enrichment Sign Up – when will we hear back?

If you signed up for an activity, you should now have heard back via email with the staff or student leaders copied in. If you feel you have missed this, see Ms Nichols.

## ★★★FINALIST: Student Support of Year – EDP Education Awards 2024 ★★★

Last month our very own Mrs Blake was shortlisted as one of the three finalists for the EDP Award: Student Support of the Year 2024. Last week we attended the awards ceremony at the Forum and heard of many fabulous stories of people and schools who go above and beyond, including Mrs B. It was lovely to be part of a public celebration of how Mrs B has supported thousands of students in 6<sup>th</sup> form over the last 18 years. The nomination contained testimonies from current and past students as well as staff and parents that Mrs B has supported over the years.

One past student said: *“I was introduced to Mrs Blake when I was a struggling teenager at CNS. I remember walking into her office, absolutely certain that I would not engage, and vowing to stay silent. However, no less than ten minutes in, I had not only spoken to her but blurted out things which had been weighing heavily on my mind for years. Mrs Blake was relaxed, fun and silly, whilst also being deeply caring and unwaveringly kind. I soon found that she actively listened better than anyone I’d known and was reliable and honest. I remember feeling so, so lucky to have Mrs Blake as a person I could go to during my time at CNS & I genuinely do believe that she contributed to not only the A\* grades I ended up getting but far, far more importantly to the stronger and more confident adult I am now.”*

We are very proud to have her in our team and believe the award is so well deserved! Well done Mrs B!



# Mrs B's weekly brainteaser

First person to email me with the answer wins a sweet treat!

Easy one to start with 😊

What is this well known phrase?



# The Elkins Centre

At council last week, some Yr13s raised that they would like the Elkins Centre to return to its rows format. This allows a nice study area for individuals to work.

We took a vote at council:

19 voted for the tables and chairs to remain as they are in squares

9 voted for the tables to be put into rows

The trend seemed to be that Yr13s liked the rows and Yr12s liked the squares.

So, we thought we would ask the whole 6<sup>th</sup> form: Rows or Squares?

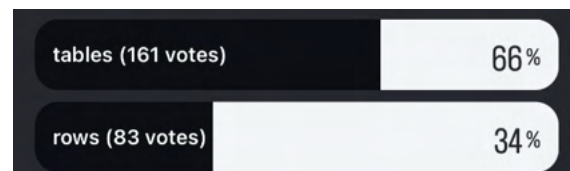
Results are in.....



Hwit used to look in rows ^

The results are in!!!!!!

Instagram:



Forms:

- Rows 58
- Squares 73



So there we are – we will be keeping the squares in the Elkins Centre for this year.

# Careers Appointments

If you would like to meet with our Careers Advisor, please email Mrs Pentney using: [n.pentney@cns-school.org](mailto:n.pentney@cns-school.org) or speak to Mrs Blake or your year team.

## 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.



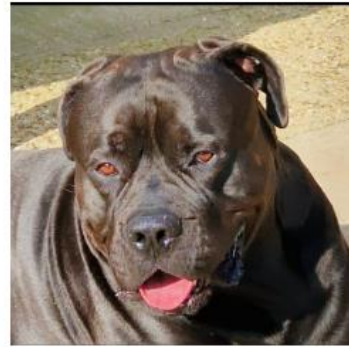
## Form time leaderboard

### Year 12 form photo results

1<sup>st</sup> 12NK, 2<sup>nd</sup> 12HVB and 3<sup>rd</sup> 12RCH earning points for their form this week



The runners up...



12TJW: Where was your submission? I know Mr. Westwood was disappointed, come on folks!

Three forms had a full house (10points each) at assembly this week so that could shake things up with two weeks to go before the draw! Watch out for next week's competition. Suggestions for future competitions welcomed.

### DRIVING ON SITE

We have recently had to speak with a number of students driving down the drive and into the field at quite a dangerous speed with music blasting! This is unacceptable and will result in parking privileges being withdrawn.

For the safety of all students and staff – please drive slowly and sensibly.

6<sup>th</sup> form students are also asked to park on the back field please and NOT in the front carpark or back skinner carpark. Thank you!



## Year 13 Pathways Timeline ^ > v < ^ > v < ^ > v

End of Semester Exams Week (Reading Week)	W/C 16 <sup>th</sup> September
UCAS Early Entry Deadline	15 <sup>th</sup> October
Oxbridge Admissions Tests - (Last Year Wednesday 18th October)	Starting 21 <sup>st</sup> October
Internal Deadline for UCAS Applications	22 <sup>nd</sup> November
Y13 Revision Evening	Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> December
Exit Interview Deadline	13 <sup>th</sup> Jan
Mocks	w/b 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan
Oxbridge offers	14 <sup>th</sup> Jan
Equal Consideration Deadline	29 <sup>th</sup> Jan
Mock results onto G4S	13 <sup>th</sup> February

## UCAS hub account linking

The CNS buzzword for UCAS is **CNS2025**.

## Student Opportunities

### The Music Production Club

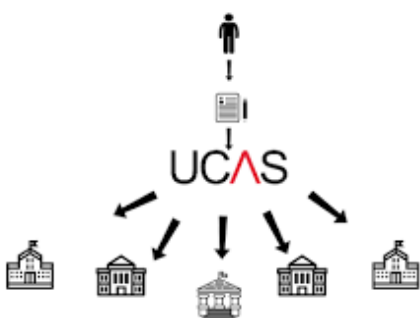
The Music Production club on Friday lunchtime was a hit, managing to fill almost two computer rooms. For this reason, I need some help!

Responsibilities would include helping students to navigate BandLab for Education production software, and general computer issues.



If you would like to support the club please contact [S.Cushion@cns-school.org](mailto:S.Cushion@cns-school.org)

## HAS Personal Statement Writing Workshops for year 13



A one hour online workshop to help you start, edit, and complete your personal statement. Running 5 - 6pm Tuesday 8 October, Monday 21 October, Tuesday 12 November, Tuesday 26 November 5 - 6pm, and Monday 9 December 3.30 - 4.30pm. [Sign up here.](#)



## Mock interview season

HAS offers mock interviews, both live and online, to anyone who will have an interview as part of their university application process. This is an opportunity for you to experience a mock interview with a subject specialist which we aim to make as realistic an experience as possible. After the interview you'll receive constructive feedback to help you prepare for the real thing. [Register here](#) by Monday 21 October.



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# Sign up or miss out

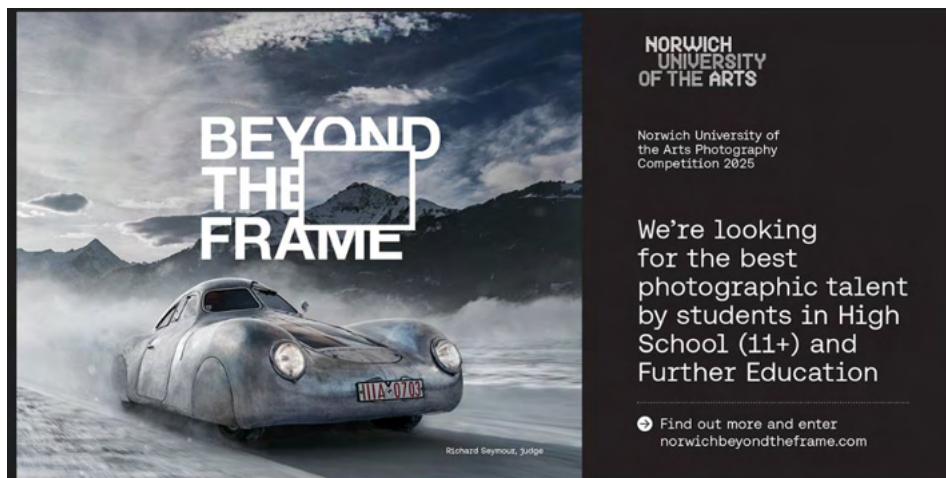
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- Industry Spotlight Talks

## WORK EXPERIENCE

Discover! Creative Careers

## PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION



### Deadline

26 February 2025, 4 pm.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### LATEST OPPORTUNITIES FOR SCHOOLS IN THE EAST



Join One Dance UK for this incredible 3-day virtual work experience, that dives into the diverse careers in dance with guest speakers, Q&A and practical workshops.

**Deadline:** 5th November  
**Dates:** 19th - 21st November  
**Ages:** 14-19

[Find out more](#)



Leading software developers Kainos are giving students in Nottingham the chance to gain hands-on experience in web development and explore a range of exciting careers in the IT sector.

**Deadline:** 25th October  
**Date:** 22nd November  
**Ages:** 14-19

[Find out more](#)



Are your students passionate about movies? Discover! Creative Careers are hosting a 3-day work experience opportunity to explore behind the scenes jobs within the film industry.

**Deadline:** 21st October  
**Dates:** 4th - 6th November  
**Ages:** 14-19

[Find out more](#)

## Orthoptics and Prosthetics Event - Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October online

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Are you, or is someone you know, interested in design, engineering, science and technology? Have you ever considered a healthcare career that would incorporate all these elements? Would you like to find out more about the fascinating fields of Prosthetics and Orthotics?

Join us for an online webinar on Tuesday 15th October from 5-6pm to learn about different roles and training. Please register your interest via the QR code on the poster or through this link:  
<https://forms.office.com/e/UYWUaxn1Va>



Invitation – Calling All Students!  
We are delighted to invite you to our Marsh Norwich Careers Day.

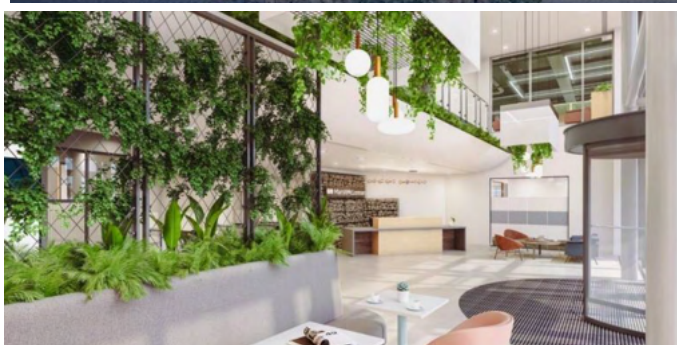
Please register by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November!

When: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2024.

Where: Willow House, Peachman Way,  
Broadland Business Park, Norwich NR7 0WF.



Come along for a chat and discover the exciting career options at Marsh. We will be providing information on our Apprenticeship and Graduates Schemes (both 18 years+) and there will be opportunities to speak with our recent Apprentices and Graduates.



We will also be running tours of our newly refurbished smart-office, including our Marsh Café, plenty of social and collaboration areas and our on-site gym!

We will be opening up the building at various times throughout the day. Please register your interest by letting us know which timeslot you would like to attend below:

For Students:

If you'd like to attend our 9.30am to 11.30am slot, please message us [here](#).

If you'd like to attend our 11.30am to 1.30pm slot, please message us [here](#).

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We kindly ask that you register no later than Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

We look forward to welcoming you to Marsh.

Marsh Norwich

## Educational event in Norwich for young people who like film

**Writing Film Reviews with Shelby Cooke.** The workshop will take place at **SOUNDYARD** in Norwich. The date is: **16 October, 17.00-19.00** (refreshments will be provided). It is for 16-25 year olds. Tickets are £5 – and there are bursaries available to cover the cost. Tickets here – and poster attached and below: [Writing Reviews with Shelby Cooke](#)

If helpful to know and/or think about who may enjoy the session...

- the session aims to help young people to learn how to assess and articulate their thoughts on films, to improve their writing and critical analysis skills.
- more broadly though, the workshop offers perhaps a first-entry point for young people to think about a career in film and media.
- All they need is a passion for film!

**B&B FILM ACADEMY**

**WRITING REVIEWS**

**AGED 16-25?**  
Join Shelby Cooke to find your voice in critical writing.

**5pm - 16 October**  
SOUNDYARD, NORWICH NR3 1JD  
\$5 (Bursaries available)

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# Geological Society of Norfolk: Lecture Programme for the 2024 -2025 Season

Our lectures are open to all. The level is not too technical and should be of interest to anyone wishing to learn more about geology and Earth Science. We particularly welcome younger visitors.

Lectures are generally held at 7.30 pm on the third Thursdays of the winter and spring months, in Room 0.01 on the ground floor of the New Science Building at the University of East Anglia. Two exceptions this year are the lecture on Tuesday February 20th 2025 which will form part of the Norwich Science Festival, and the lecture in April which will take place a week earlier than usual to avoid Easter. The programme for the coming season is as follows.

**Thursday October 17th 2024 : Dr Richard Herd, (University of East Anglia). - Paradise Lost - The eruption of a Caribbean volcano**

**Thursday November 21st 2024 : Tim Holt-Wilson, (Geological Society of Norfolk). - Boxstones - In Search of Miocene Suffolk.**

**Tuesday February 18th 2025: Dr Colin Summerhayes, (Scott Polar Research Institute). - Climate Change, Geology, and the Future**

**Thursday March 20th 2025: Dr Richard Bevins, (Aberystwyth University). - The sources of the Stonehenge bluestones - applying modern analytical techniques**

**Thursday April 10th 2025: Dr Roy Livermore, (Open University) - Whatever Happened to Continental Drift? (And why 'plate tectonics' is such a bad name)**



## Applications are now open!

Norfolk & Norwich Festival is delighted to announce Bursaries for Young Creatives, a youth leadership initiative for 18-25 year olds in East Anglia.

Bursaries for Young Creatives will support eight young people with £2,500 each to further their cultural and community leadership abilities.

Run across nine months, the programme will enable participants to develop their creative skills and contribute to the creativity journeys of other young people in East Anglia.

Encouraging East Anglia's young Creative Leaders by supporting the activities devised **by** young people, **led** by young people, **for** young people.

### Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible to apply for a bursary you must be:

- Aged 18-25 on 1 January 2025
- Living in Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridgeshire, or Peterborough
- Committed to carrying out work in Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridgeshire, or Peterborough
- A member of Norfolk & Norwich Festival's Youth Network, FLOCK. (Sign-up now for

FREE [here](#))

[Bursary info pack](#)

[Application Form](#)

[Equal Opportunities Form](#)

Application Deadline: 12.00 noon on Thursday 31 October 2024

Miss Cook happy to help with applications [e.cook@cns-school.org](mailto:e.cook@cns-school.org)