

Sixth Form Bulletin

For Parents and Carers



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

Friday 27th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers of 6th Form,

This week's message from Mrs Blake to our students is a great reminder for all of us that stepping out of our comfort zones can be a springboard to growth.

“Hopefully by now, you will be getting into a bit of a routine and starting to feel more settled, but for those of you who are still feeling a tad anxious, stressed or perhaps lacking a bit of self-belief, just remember the Lobster!

As the lobster grows, it experiences pressure and discomfort, confined by its own shell, so it goes under a rock, sheds its shell, and produces a new one, big enough to allow it to feel comfy again and reach its full potential.

The thing to take away from this little slice of Mother Nature's infinite wisdom, is that the stimulus for the lobster to be able to grow.... is to feel uncomfortable first.

So, if doubt creeps in, remember, times of stress can also signal times of development, and if we manage difficulty properly, we are sure to grow and be stronger for it in the long run.

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Ms Kate Nichols
Director of 6th Form
Assistant Head Teacher

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Please follow us on Instagram: [@cns_6f](https://www.instagram.com/cns_6f)

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 (Yr12) and Ms Cooper 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
Sept	30th	M	Yr12 Baseline Assessment Week (<i>completed in class - internal use ONLY</i>) 6th Form Organisation Week
Oct	3rd	Th	Yr6 into 7 Open Evening - 6F volunteers needed
Oct	9th	W	Yr13 Semester & UCAS Grades due on Go4Sch & Update FGs
Oct	10th	Th	Yr13 Semester and UCAS Grade Reports Home Yr13 Progress Evening - KJN
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
Jan	13th	M	Yr13 Art Mock Exam
Jan	14th	T	Yr13 Art Mock Exam
Jan	16th	Th	Yr12 Mid-Semester Grades due Go4Sch & Update FGs
Jan	17th	F	Yr12 Mid Semester Reports Go Home on Go4 schools
Jan	20th	M	Yr13 Mock Exams - READING WEEK
Feb	12th	W	Yr13 Mock Results due onto Go4Sch & Update FGs
Feb	13th	Th	Yr13 Mock Results & FGs Reports Home
Feb	14th	F	End of Half Term
Feb	24th	M	Staff Development Day - no students in school
Mar	3rd	M	Yr12 End of Semester Exams - READING WEEK
Mar	6th	Th	Yr13 Targeted Progress Evening
Mar	10th	M	6th form Organisation Week
Mar	15th	S	Super Science Saturday - 6th form YSA students
Mar	25th	T	Yr12 End of Semester & FGs due on Go4Sch

Mar	26th	W	Yr12 End of Semester 1 & FGs Report
Mar	27th	T	Yr12 Progress Evening
Apr	21st	M	Easter Monday
Apr	23rd	W	Yr13 Exam & Results Info Evening – 6-7pm
Apr	24th	Th	Gold DofE
Apr	25th	F	School photos - Yr11 and Yr13
May	5th	M	Bank Hol
May	9th	F	Yr13 Study Leave. Leavers' Assem P3
May	12th	M	Summer External Exams Commence
May	23rd	F	Break up for Half Term
June	2nd	M	Yr12 Mid-Semester 2 Exams - NO READING WEEK 6th Form Organisation Week
June	3rd	T	Yr12 UCAS Parent Information Evening, Auditorium – 6-7pm
June	5th	Th	UCAS References Open on UNIFROG
June	20th	F	Yr12 Mid-Semester 2 Grades due on Go4Sc & Update FGs
June	24th	T	Yr12 Mid-Semester report home
June	25th	W	Exam Contingency Day
June	26th	Th	Yr12 Induction Day
July	3rd	Th	Yr12 Targeted Progress Evening - FLs and DFLs, ONLINE
July	10th	Th	UCAS References due in
July	18th	F	End of Term

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

Tutors will invite students to Monday morning tutorials via email. This is a chance to meet your tutor in smaller groups so that they can support your needs and get to know you better for references. The first focus is for new students to CNS.

YR12 parents survey

Now that your child is settling into Yr12 please take a few minutes to feed back your experience of how CNS has/is supporting them, or how we could improve.

<https://forms.office.com/e/44VZK0a978>



Folders and Books

Students are expected to buy their own books and folders (this can come from bursary)

It is also recommended that students get their own text books,

In the 4th Form organisation weeks this year, books and folders will be checked to make sure students are keeping these organised.

6th Form Organisation Week

This week is our first Organisation Week. You will see members of the Sixth Form team in your lessons, looking at your work and your organisation of learning. If you are concerned about your work being checked, spend some time getting things in order in advance using your study periods or some time at home.

We will be looking for:

- You following subject guidance for organisation of work
- Evidence of practice
- Evidence of note taking
- Evidence of responding to feedback and filling gaps in knowledge
- Evidence of self-marking
- Any directed learning that has taken place

If things aren't looking like they're on track, this is your time to reflect and sort it out. Year 13s – you should already be on top of this as you've just had your end of semesters. Year 12s – heading into your baselines, this is a perfect opportunity to make sure you're laying strong foundations for the rest of your A-Level studies.

Please also keep an eye out for any emails from the team – we will be selecting random students to look at their books and folders. Please hand them in promptly if you are asked.

6th Form Council

Meeting weekly – We meet every Weds breacktime 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](#)

ENRICHMENT 2024-25

Year 12 – what an offer you have this year with 33 different super and co-curricular activities. It is compulsory you sign up to one.

You must have signed up by Friday 27th Sept. If you have not signed up by then, we will send Mrs Blake after you!

SIGN UP HERE: <https://forms.office.com/e/mzb1YMLv6A>

Club/Activity	Staff Lead	6F Student lead	Week	Day	Time	Location
6F Council	Ms Nichols	Nedas K Sara O	Both	Weds	Break	97
6F Prefects	Mr Etheridge	Charis Gardiner	For school events and duties			
Arts Council	Student led	Minnie H, Erin H-S, Angel H	Both	Monday	Lunch	96
EPQ	Mr Westwood	n/a	Timetabled T.Westwood@cns-school.org			
Duke of Edinburgh	Mr Lee & Mr Sutton	n/a	Both w/c Mon 30 Sept	Monday W1: Yr12 W2: Yr13	Lunch	107
YSA: Youth STEMM Award	Miss Spinks	n/a	Mainly independent, some pre-arranged meetings d.spinks@cns-school.org			
Yr7 Tutoring	Ms Nichols and Ms Anderson	n/a	PAUSED - Waiting for funding go-ahead			
Subject Ambassadors	Faculty Leaders	n/a	Talk to your subject teachers			
Environmental Eco Club	Mr Brown					
Music ensembles (inc. choir and orchestra)	Mrs Reddington	Kumi Stevens	See music enrichment calendar			
LGBTQ+ Safespace	Mr Innes	Ben Quinton Nik Soong				
EXIA Magazine	Ms Macklin-Betteridge	Bethan Dunlop	Both	Friday	Lunch	81
Charity Events Organisers	Miss King		For special events: Macmillan, Pride, Leeway			
Oxbridge	Mr Westwood	n/a	Timetabled T.Westwood@cns-school.org			
Medics	Mr Etheridge	n/a	<i>Starting in January. A form will be shared to sign up.</i>			
Expect Respect	Need New	Need New				
Lab Rats – KS3 science club	Miss Spinks	NEEDED	Both	Mon	After school	105
Football Team - Boys	Mr Humphreys	Capt: ?	2	Friday	Lunch	Sports Hall
Football Team - Girls	Holly Walker	Capt: Liv C				
Rugby - Girls	Mr O'Brien	Capt: Mae D	Both	Thur	After sch	Field
Dance	Ms Cook	Mary T				
Basketball	Need New	Capt: ?				
Yoga	Ms Knight/ Ms Whitehead	n/a	BOTH	Monday	Lunch	Room 95
Badminton	Mrs Blake	n/a	BOTH	Tuesday	Lunch	Sports Hall

Skating	Mrs Blake	Bella W	BOTH	Monday	Lunch	Sports Hall
Debating Society	Mrs Laycock/ Ms Shirazi/ Ms Black	TBC	Week 1	Thursday	Lunch	Room 13
CAFE (Current Affairs For Everyone)	Mr Barry/Mr Christopher	n/a	Both	Friday	Lunch	Room 23
Cultural Celebration	Ms Haines	Janine Coronel				
Prayer	Ms Hassan	n/a	ALL	Every day	varies	Prayer Room
Film Club KS4 & KS5	Mr Rootham		Both	Wednesday	Lunch	Room 43
Film making club	Mr Rootham / Mr Staves	Angel Hilton	Both	Tuesday	Lunch	Room 52
French Current Affairs Club	Mrs McCallum	n/a	Both	Friday	Lunch	Room 6
Spanish Speaking Club	TBC					
German speaking group	Mrs Gibson	Jemima H-H & Hannah D-R	Both	Thursday	Lunch	Room 7

Paid work in main school canteen

We are looking for some 6th form help at lunchtimes in the main canteen.

The work involves helping to serve in the main canteen during the 40-minute lunchbreak as required. You would be paid for one hour and receive a meal at the end of your shift.

If you are interested or would like to learn more then please speak to our Catering

Manager: C.Friday@cns-school.org and email HR for an application form: HR@cns-school.org

Exam Access Arrangements



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

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

Many thanks.

Student Voice

Suggestion Box

There is a suggestion / feedback box in the study centre. Please feel free to add suggestions whenever you have any good ideas or you just fancy sharing anything with us. We do like a good joke too!

- MEATBALL WRAP PLEASE – Will pass to kitchen.

- Please put confetti onto all (G4S's) once homework is completed #celebrations – **completing your work is reward enough, think of those grades!**
- Allow our shoulders! – **to do what?**

FUNDRAISER : Halloween themed bake sale on Friday 25th of October

To raise money for the Year 13 Leavers Party next year.

The prices would vary from 5p to £1. Please contact us if you want to help:

(laura.lee@cns-school.org and sophia.miller@cns-school.org)

6th 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>

6th Form Council Feedback Form



Sixth Form Spaces

Please use your spaces respectfully – too much litter is being left behind and we will ban groups or individuals responsible.

Remember: the Study Hall is silent study **at all times**. The Elkins Study Centre is for **quiet / group** study, and the Café is a social space. If the Study Hall is full, you can make use of the LRC.

PRINTING!

Tech have been working on the printing solution for 6th form and it is ready to go.

Y12 and 13 students will get an email to their CNS email account from CNS_PaperCut.

The email will give you your own individual 5 digit pin that you can then use to release print jobs from the photocopiers. Store this PIN somewhere sensible, like your notes app, so you can get to it quickly.



Your allowance within papercut will be for a total of 1000 pages, this will be reset each year.

To add the printers:

1. Click print
2. Go to select the printer. At the bottom of the list, click 'Add Printer'
3. On the screen that opens, click 'Add Device'
4. Wait for a button to appear at the top that says 'Search for Devices'
5. Select "Work or School" in the drop down that appears.
6. Click on the button to add 'CNS-FollowMe'
7. Wait for it to install. Go back to the app you want to print from.
8. Exit the printing page, go back to the printing page and you will be able to select the Follow Me printers.
9. You can then release the printing from the printers, using your PIN.

VESPA Lessons

VESPA lessons will be timetabled once a fortnight for all Yr12 lessons. This helps students focus on Vision, Effort, Systems, Progress and Attitude to help them better cope with the step-up to A-levels.

VESPA lesson begins on Monday 16th Sept (to allow students to narrow to their three A-levels)

Macmillan Coffee Morning Friday 27th September

Approx £100 raised so far – well done all.



Careers Appointments

If you would like to meet with our Careers Advisor, please email Mrs Pentney using: 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.



YEAR 13 PERSONAL STATEMENTS

As a reminder, your **first drafts** of Personal Statements are due (via e-mail, or hard copy), to your **Form Tutors by Friday 20th September**. If you fail to meet this deadline, it will become increasingly difficult for your Tutors to provide feedback and support you in the re-drafting process. You have the whole of reading week to be completing these.

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

Year 13 Pathways Timeframes:

End of Semester Exams Week (Reading Week)	W/C 16 th September
First draft of Personal Statements due to Tutors ON UNIFROG	20th September
Yr13 Oxbridge/Medics/Vet UCAS data	3 rd October
Deadline for Oxbridge Admissions Tests Entry	4 th October

Early Submission internal deadline	4 th October
Early Submission Exit Interviews	7 th -11 th October
Y13 EoS & UCAS Grades (update FGs) due	9 th October
Y13 Progress Evening	10 th October
Y13 Semester and UCAS Reports go home	10 th October
UCAS Early Entry Deadline	15th October
Oxbridge Admissions Tests - (Last Year Wednesday 18th October)	Starting 21 st October
Internal Deadline for UCAS Applications	22 nd November
Y13 Revision Evening	Tues 3 rd December
Exit Interview Deadline	13 th Jan
Mocks	w/b 13 th Jan
Oxbridge offers	14th Jan
Equal Consideration Deadline	29th Jan
Mock results onto G4S	13 th February

UCAS hub account linking

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

Student Opportunities

Careers Appointments

If you would like to meet with our Careers Advisor, please email Mrs Pentney at n.pentney@cns-school.org or speak to Mrs Blake.

UCAS HUB LIVE

Coming up live in the UCAS Hub...

Wherever you're at with your plans, we've teamed up with careers, higher education, and application specialists to help you take your next steps. Plus we'll be talking to current uni students and apprentices who will be bringing you some serious insight on student life, the things they wish they knew, and how to choose the right path for you.

So, whether you're looking for practical tips on how to start your application or write a winning personal statement, or simply looking for some inspiration, we're here with the experts to help.



Hub live sessions: [Hub live sessions](#) | [Undergraduate](#) | [UCAS](#)

UCL (University College London) Roadshow

YEAR 12

Date: 24th October

Who: All Yr12 – compulsory

Lessons: P1-3 off timetable

Where: Fisher Auditorium

What: Introduction to HE and super-curricular engagement - Insight into what super-curricular activities are and how they can help you with A-Level studies and prepare you for university.

Thinking Like a University Student workshop - A taster of university learning and an understanding of the importance of critical thinking!

YEAR 13

Date: 24th October

Who: All Yr13 – sign up only

Lessons: P2-3 10:30-11:45 (Normal lessons continue)

Where: Fisher Auditorium

What: Yr13 can sign up if they want more support with personal statements

SIGN UP HERE: <https://forms.office.com/e/ik9zn8Ap3T>

Film Making Club

At CNS, we have a student led film making club. The club consists of some really friendly students from across the school all of whom enjoy making films. However, the club needs new student leader(s) to help run the club. The club meets on Tuesday lunchtime, but filming takes place after school. You don't have to be doing A Level film to get involved - you just need an interest in film making. If you're interested in helping out or want to find out more, please speak with Mr Rootham (rm 52) or Mr Staves (rm 43).

j.rootham@cns-school.org or h.staves@cns-school.org

Studying A Level English?

AQA are advertising for Student Advisors - these are students studying AQA courses that give feedback to the exam board about the courses. If you would like to influence the future of A Level qualifications, follow this link: https://www.aqa.org.uk/join-us/become-a-student-advisor?_cldee=eB9inbs4lfQp7jruoLL-3lPGVV_9HL5oINpjHCYH2hA5ultgV13lMCoh7DtsDvW2&recipientid=contact-c28c6dae0e39e4119144d89d67639ef0-0c1929f832204d8e8f58099eb9856b32&esid=a8174a37-b96e-ef11-a670-000d3a2b53b6

Thanks! Mr Rootham



EXiA
CITY OF NORWICH SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Needs You

We're looking for writers, photographers and artists to join our team for 2024-25. This is an exciting opportunity to contribute to our multi-award winning magazine (best magazine 2 years running!) and be part of a supportive, creative community. Sign up here:

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

We'll be opening applications for the roles of editor, creative director and KS3 co-ordinator next week- register interest on the form :)

Any questions? Speak to/ email Ms Macklin, Miss Lewis, Bethan or Minnie



Unifrog Fair:

Upcoming events: If you'd like to plan ahead, you can now download Unifrog's [24/25 events calendar](#). These will be added to the Unifrog platform throughout the year so you and your students can sign up easily via 'upcoming events'.

What's coming up for students:

- [Unifrog University Fair](#), 16th Oct (4–6:30pm) - KS4 and KS5 students have the chance to meet 40 universities in two hours and get their questions answered about admissions, courses, and student life. Teachers, parents, and caregivers are all welcome to sign up too!
- [Vwex with the Insitute of Mechanical Engineering](#), 16th Sept (4.30-5.15pm) - students can still access a range of vwex courses from our Vwex week in July via the [Courses tool](#). Vwex week for 2025 will be from June 30th - July 4th 2025.

M+A Partners 2025 Graduates and School Leaver Applications

We are delighted to announce that applications for our 2025 Graduate and School Leaver Programmes are open!

We have fantastic opportunities in Accounts, Audit and Tax across our 3 offices, for those interested in the world of accountancy and finance and want to grow a career within a supportive, progressive firm whose vision is to be the firm of choice, through our team fulfilling their potential and delivering exceptional client service.

If your students are motivated, ambitious and enthusiastic with a willingness to learn we would love to hear from them! They can apply either by sending their CV and cover letter to recruitment@mapartners.co.uk or via the [application form](#) on our website.

Our entry requirements for School Leavers are:

- Have a 4/C grade or above in English and Maths GCSE.
- Have at least 5 GCSE grades 9-4 or A*-C.
- Have at least 3 A Level grade pass results or equivalent.

The applications close on **14th October**

Marsh Norwich Careers Day - Friday 15th November 2024



Invitation
– Calling

All Students!

We are delighted to invite you to our Marsh Norwich Careers Day.

Please register by Friday 1st November!

Friday 15th November 2024.
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](#).

If you'd like to attend our 1.30pm to 3.30pm slot, please message us [here](#).

For Parents:

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](#).

If you'd like to attend our 1.30pm to 3.30pm slot, please message us [here](#).

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HOW TO WIN ON LINKEDIN



Join [Hannah](#), a social and content marketing expert, for an inspiring session on how students can use LinkedIn to kickstart their career. Don't miss this opportunity to guide them towards success!

Monday 30th September | 10:00am - 10:45am |
Age 11-19

[Sign-up now](#)