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See p.3 for further details.

STUDENT FINANCE

The government website should be open at the end of March. In addition, the following links may be useful:

- <u>Video from the</u>
 <u>University of Exeter</u>
- A guide to student finance from Liverpool Hope

ENGINEERING CAREERS

Considering a future in Engineering? Sign up for our Engineering talk on **Tuesday 19th March** at 8.25–8.45am (room to be confirmed).

You can sign up here.

ILC CLOSURE

Please be aware that the ILC will be closed again for the whole day next **Tues-day 19th March**, for the last of the current round of vaccinations.





WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Please <u>click here</u>
to view the
Assessment calendar, which includes
key dates for the
year ahead.



CALENDAR

18-22 March 2024

DAY	YEAR 12		YEAR 13		OTHER EVENTS	
MONDAY	Assembly – Preparation for Personal Development Day and welcome from Mr O'Flynn		The Sixth and Mentoring		Cambridge Conference at Haydock Park Trip Click here for details	
TUESDAY	The Sixth and Mentoring		Assembly – Mr Mullin / Arrange- ments for Personal Development Day		Engineering Careers Talk (see p.1) Year 12 EPQ Meeting S201 – 1.15pm	
WEDNESDAY	Pers	Personal Development Day (see p.3)				
THURSDAY	Women's History Month recording		Women's History Month recording		'Odd socks day' (see p.6)	
FRIDAY	Futures – Work experience		Futures – Applications progress		BTEC Hospitality Trip to Leeds	

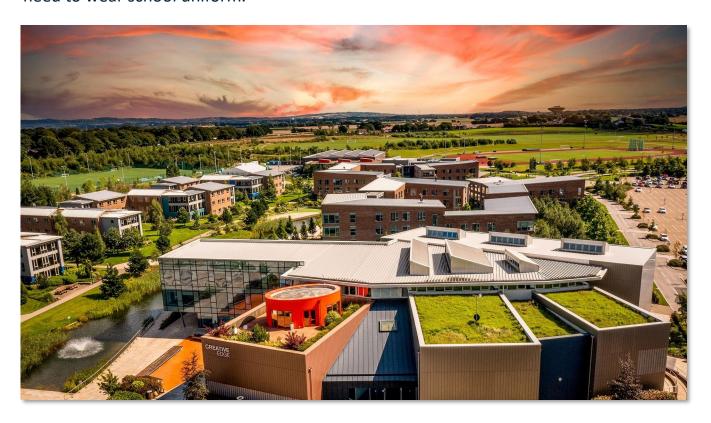
PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

Personal development Day

During our Personal Development Day on **Wednesday 20th March**, students will focus on the following:

Year 12

Year 12 will be visiting Edge Hill University, leaving at 8.25am. Please note that packed lunches will be provided. Don't forget to bring any snacks and medication. You do not need to wear school uniform.



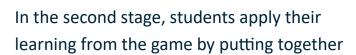
Year 13

Year 13 will be having a series of revision activities and sessions to prepare them for leaving home. As well as the revision session, there will be two externally-led talks, one on budgeting and another on mental health. The day will finish at 1.15pm.

NEWS

Year 12 highly commended in civil engineering award

The CityZen Award is a two-stage competition from the Institution of Civil Engineers that aims to promote engineering problemsolving. In the first part, students play the online CityZen game, which involves overcoming a series of civil-engineering-inspired challenges. Students must consider budgetary restrictions and community needs.



a video proposal to suggest a civil engineering solution for a problem in their local area. Almost 1500 young people from throughout the UK took part in the competition.

Year 12 Lara McDonald's proposal was to remediate a brownfield site in Warrington (did you know Warrington is the most contaminated town in the UK?). The proposal discovered that by cleaning up this old industrial site, developers would have the space to build new and affordable housing in the area.

The judges were so impressed with Lara's proposal that they added a special 'highly commended' category to the list of CityZen winners.

Lara and Miss Farmer were invited to attend a VIP lunch with the ICE's President Anusha Shah and have a tour of the organisation's prestigious headquarters at One Great George Street in Westminster.

You can view Lara's project on bioremediation of a contaminated brownfield site by <u>clicking here</u>.



NEWS



Miss Dixon will be starting her maternity leave from **Monday 18th March** onwards. Mr O'Flynn will be taking over as Head of Year 12. We wish Miss Dixon the very best of luck and look forward to meeting her new arrival. Thank you very much for looking after Year 12 so well.

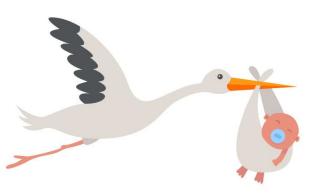




Feedback from the Year 12 boys who took part in the workshops last week was again really positive. These sessions encouraged the boys to reflect on their listening skills and who to go to if they need support.

We followed this up with a session in Form time this week to support boys with knowing where to go to ask for help and how to ask for it.





BIRTHDAYS



D. Abe

A. Freaney

D. Case

M. Johnson

E. Chamberlain

M. Pollard

A. Diver

A. Shah

REMINDERS

DONT FORGET TO:

BRITISH SCIENCE BAKE OFF

This challenge is to design and bake a cake/ cookies/ cupcakes related to the theme of 'time'. Email Miss Farmer (tfarmer@ lymmhigh.org.uk) with a picture of you and your bake by Monday 18th March to be judged. There are Hall points for all entries and Prizes for the best ones.

CAREERS ADVICE

Our Careers Advisor is in school each Tuesday. We will shortly be contacting Year 12 students to arrange appointments.

TEFL

The Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) course will run from Monday 22rd July to Tuesday 23rd July. The cost of this course is £175. To sign up, please consent and pay on ParentPay. Click here for more information.

YR12 FUTURES SUPPORT

We will run a series of talks over the coming months that will help guide students' university decisions, attendance is expected. If you intend to apply for an apprenticeship, please arrange a careers appointment and discuss your applications with your Form tutors.

WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY

We will once again be supporting World Down Syndrome Day on Thursday

21st March by staff and students wearing odd socks. Gingerbread sock biscuits will also be on sale at break and lunchtime for £1 each.





FUTURES OPPORTUNITIES

APPLYING TO APPRENTICESHIPS



- Please <u>click here</u> to see this week's list of current apprenticeships in the Warrington area.
 - For further details and to apply for any of these vacancies go to the <u>National Apprenticeship Website</u>.
- <u>Click here</u> for the 2022 Top 100 Apprenticeship Providers.
- Further opportunities in Cheshire and Warrington can be viewed <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>.
- Don't forget to use <u>Unifrog</u> to search for Apprenticeship opportunities too!





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Engineering and STEM Work Experience

Wednesday 3rd April, 9-3.30pm (by Zoom)

Are you interested in pursuing a career in engineering, science, or anything to do with STEM? Would you like to gain some rare and invaluable work experience with multiple global FTSE companies? If so, this is the perfect opportunity for you.

This virtual work experience day is with Spectris and its other owned science and engineering-based companies Malvern Panalytical, HBK and Servomex. Collectively these companies operate in over 30 countries, employ over 7500 people globally, and have generated a revenue of over £1 billion as of 2024. Each of the companies Spectris owns specialises in a very specific areas of science and engineering and during this work experience day you will get the opportunity to take part in workshops and network with each of these companies.

Participating in an event such as this will not only allow students to learn more about industry, it will give you a unique opportunity to gain valuable experience that will add value to your CV and LinkedIn profile. This will show employers (including Spectris) that you are proactive and looking to develop your skillset before entering the workplace. In addition, after the event, attendees will receive a certificate that you can use on your CVs and job applications.

To register, click here.







KPMG Virtual Work Experience Day

Thursday 4th April, 10-4pm (by Zoom)

This is a chance to gain work-experience with a world-renowned professional services firm. It is a fantastic opportunity to gain valuable insights into the world of work and build your professional network, not to mention a great addition to your CV. You will also get a professional reference for your CVs as well as a certificate of compilation at the end of the day.



KPMG is one of the largest companies in the world of business and accounting. With over 227,000 employees across 146 countries, its work spans five major areas of Finance and Personal Services. It audits some of the UK's biggest companies and their people in Consulting, Deal Advisory, Tax, Law and Technology.

During the Work Experience Day, students will have the opportunity to learn key employability skills, such as how to communicate your message and build your personal brand. You will also have the chance to meet KPMG colleagues to hear about their career journeys and even complete a business pitch challenge.

The KPMG Student recruitment team will also explain the different career paths into their firm and how you can gain a leg up into their prestigious company.

To register, <u>click here</u>.



Our <u>careers website</u> includes a <u>calendar of events</u>, <u>labour market</u> information and a link to Unifrog.

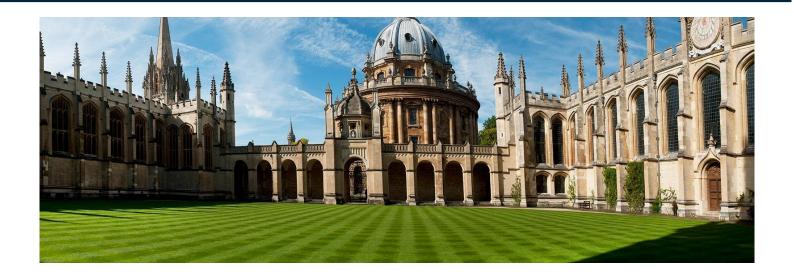


Upcoming Events

- National Apprenticeship & Education Events North West
 Tuesday 19th March, 9.30–3pm
- Advanced Engineering apprenticeship with Unilever Closing date for applications: 1st April 2024
- Engineering and STEM Work Experience

 Wednesday 3rd April, 9–3.30pm (by Zoom)
- KPMG Virtual Work Experience Day
 Thursday 4th April, 10–4pm (by Zoom)
- Access Talent Apprenticeship event
 8–9th April, New Century Hall Campus, Manchester, 9.30–4pm
- AMS Accountancy Apprentice roles
 Closing date for applications: Sunday 7th April (Starting date: September 2024)
- Year 12 PwC Virtual Insight Programme 29–31st July 2024

APPLYING TO UNIVERSITY



To view the latest online University events, click here.

These are listed in chronological order and include Open Days (in-person and virtual), online chats and webinars. Students can browse these events and engage with higher education from the comfort of their mobile, tablet or computer.

UC/\S

- Swansea University Masterclass
 subject-specific webinars
 Spring 2024
 For further information, and to watch
 the videos, <u>click here</u>.
- Year 12 UCL Masterclasses
 Tuesday and Thursday (4–5pm),
 January to April (online)

- Veterinary Science residential course 8–10th April
 Deadline to apply: 31st March
 For further information, and to apply, please click here.
- Year 12 STEM Residentials
 Summer 2024
 For more information, click here.

For details of these events and more, <u>click here</u> to access our dedicated UCAS webpage, and click the button 'What's on this month'.

APPLYING TO UNIVERSITY



Key dates for your diaries

- Wednesday 20th March
 Year 12 visit to Edge Hill University
 Click here to read the letter sent home.
- Wednesday 1st May, 1.30–2.30pm
 Year 12 Finding the right course and the right University
 Newcastle University
- Wednesday 8th May, 1.30–2.30pm
 Year 12 Personal statements
 Lancaster University
- Wednesday 15th May, 1.30–2.30pm
 Personal statements, choosing and applying, study in Scotland, moving to Scotland, sport at Stirling
 Stirling University
- Wednesday 27th March, 1.30–2.30pm Year 12 Applying to Russell Group and Competitive Universities University of Sheffield









