

Success in the Sixth Form isn't about last-minute effort, but about consistent habits. Stay organised with your notes and resources, manage your time wisely, and invest steady effort each day—the routines you build now will shape the results you achieve later.

SIXTH FORM FILE CHECKS

Year 12 and 13 will bring in their folders and files to be looked over by their Form Tutor on Friday 19th September. This will allow Form Tutors to help check organisation and feedback suggestions on how to organise their work for success. For support speak with your teacher/Tutor.

DEBATE CLUB

Debate Club starts this Wednesday (1.30–2.30pm in N103). Students signed up to this at Friday's Enrichment Fair; however, if you would like to join and have not signed up, please email Miss J Dixon. Students need to bring their own device with a screen, working audio and headphones.

YEAR 12 AND 13 IAGS Thursday 18th September

At the start of each academic year, we like to share information, advice and guidance with our parents/carers so you are all aware of our expectations and the support we will provide to your child in school. We would therefore like to invite all parents/carers to a short meeting on **Thursday 18th September** at 6pm for Year 12, and 7pm for Year 13 in the Main Hall. Please note this evening will be information for parents and carers only; we would therefore request that parents/carers attend without their child, as we have limited capacity in the Main Hall. Please be reassured that your child will have received all the necessary information at the start of the term.

UCAS DEADLINES AND REMINDERS

Please see p.23 to check you understand the Sixth Form processes and can plan your UCAS applications accordingly.



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

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



CALENDAR 15–19 September 2025

DAY	YEAR 12	YEAR 13	OTHER EVENTS
MONDAY	Monday Reset – The Sixth	Monday Reset – <i>The Sixth</i>	Informal Talk N105 Career in Law (see p.4) Parent Iceland trip meeting, Main Hall, 5–6pm (see p.5)
TUESDAY	Assembly	Study Skills – Getting Organised and Pro- ducing a Revision Timetable	Careers Advisor
WEDNESDAY	Study Skills – Getting organised and avoiding procrastination	Assembly	Debate Club 1.30–2.30pm in N103 (see p.1)
THURSDAY	What makes a healthy relation-ship?	Issues and Debates Should Student Loan be Forgiven?	IAG – Main Hall 6pm – Year 12 7pm - Year 13 (See p.1)
FRIDAY	File checks	File checks	School Nurse, 10.45–11.15am

NEWS

Sixth Form Student Leadership team

Many congratulations to our new Student Leadership team:

Head Students: Seth Wall and Elizabeth Doherty

Deputy Students: Zita Walsh and Emilia Franks



- Transition Leaders:
 Issy Boucher and Milly Gallagher
- New-to-school Leader: Cleo Tickle-Starkey
- Charity Student Leaders:
 Sophie Schache and Mya Hughes
- Sports Student Leader:
 Ralph Smith
- Communications Student Leader: Isabella Tither
- Eco Student Leader: Seb Heselwood

- Diversity & Inclusion Student Leader: Issy Stout
- Enrichment Student Leaders:
 Jessamine Caldwell and
 Alba Gallego-Parry
- Community Engagement Leader: Nassir Koromia
- Equity and Belonging Leader:
 Mika McCarthy
- Wellbeing Student Leader: Leonie Barrow
- Mental Health Leader:
 Ellie Cawley

NEWS



Come along to an informal session with a guest magistrate on **Monday 15th September** at breaktime (10.45am in N105).

This is a fantastic opportunity to ask questions about the justice system, learn more about the role of magistrates in the courts, and gain valuable insights into careers in law.

Don't miss the chance to broaden your understanding and hear first-hand from someone with real experience in the legal world.



BIRTHDAYS

- D. Barraclough
- J. Bolton
- R. Chawla
- H. Dodd
- I. Johnson
- J. Osborne
- R. Sammy-Joe

REMINDERS

DONT FORGET TO:

ICELAND TRIP

The parent and carer information evening for this trip (23–26th October) takes place on **Monday 15th September** in the Main Hall between 5–6pm.

All students must have a valid GHIC / EHIC health card for the trip or should apply for the free card online by visiting the NHS website as soon as possible.

ILC AVAILABILITY

Until the October half term, the ILC will only be open on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. This means that Sixth Formers will not be able to work in the ILC on Mondays or Tuesdays (even if the ILC door is open).

KEY DATES & ASSESSMENT CALENDAR

This has been produced to ensure students and parents / carers are aware of all the key dates for the whole year. We recommend you print it and keep a copy at home / in your folders. Click here to access the calendar.

GEOGRAPHY SUPPORT

Year 13 NEA support sessions will run after school on Thursdays (3.15–4pm) in N105 until the start of December.

UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS

Sixth Formers are expected to present themselves smartly and professionally at all times.

- Blazers must be worn.
- Black jumpers may be worn underneath blazers, not instead of and they must not have logos
- Regulation Sixth Form blouse or shirt and tie.

For full details, see p.26 & 27 of the behaviour policy.

SPORTS CONSENT

Please can parents complete the form on this webpage if your child wishes to play extra-curricular sport this year. This needs to be completed at the start of every year in order to be selected.

It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes to support people living with cancer.

Join us on **Friday 26th September** for our Sixth Form Macmillan Coffee Morning.

Enjoy coffee and cake while raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support, a charity that helps people living with cancer and their families. Donations of cakes, cookies, or other baked goods are very welcome, with all proceeds going to Macmillan. More activities will be announced closer to the day.









At this virtual university fair on **Tuesday 14th October**, students can be inspired to begin their applications through live sessions with university representatives. Students can meet top UK universities including Durham, Newcastle, Aberdeen, Exeter, Oxford Brookes and Norwich University of the Arts.

Live sessions will include:

- Placement years at university
- How to ace your personal statement
- How to prepare for university
- Graduate careers
- Top tips for moving away from home

The fair is free for all students who can drop in for just one or two sessions, or stay for the full fair.

To find out more, and to sign up, click here.



University of Liverpool Open Days



The University of Liverpool's Open Days are starting this month and there are still spaces available for students to book.

- Saturday 20th September
- Saturday 11th October

Students and their supporters will be welcomed to the city campus to visit facilities and meet staff and students to help them decide whether Liverpool is right for them.

To book a place, click here.

Online Open Event

3-7th November 2025

This Autumn, Liverpool staff and current students will be answering questions live during online subject and student support sessions.

For further information, click here.



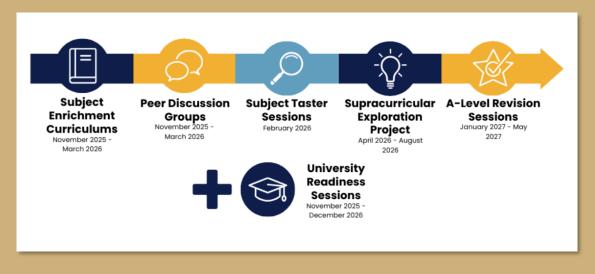
Cambridge Academic Attainment Programme

Deadline to apply: Tuesday 7th October

Applications are now open for the Lucy Cavendish College Cambridge's Academic Attainment Programme. This is a programme for around 1000 high-achieving UK state-school students in Year 12 who meet certain Widening Participation criteria. The focus of this programme is on raising attainment, by supporting students in their A' Level studies, so that they can reach their potential and make applications to competitive universities.

Students will get access to subject-specific enrichment classes led by experts, to allow them to develop and expand on their knowledge of the content of their A' Levels, and to help them to achieve the very best grades in their exams. They will also attend Peer Discussion Groups, to prepare them for the university environment by improving their oracy and their problemsolving skills. Students will also receive advice from the Admissions Team on every stage of the university application process across the 2 years, and they will complete a Supracurricular Exploration Project to encourage them to think more seriously about their degree choices. Students will also receive subject-specific revision guidance in the lead up to their exams, to ensure they are well-placed to receive the best possible grades.

For more information, and to apply, click here.





ONS DATA CHALLENGE 2025

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) Data Challenge 2025 initiative launches on **Tuesday 30th September** and is open to students aged 16–18. It can help students to:

- engage with real-world data
- develop their analytical skills
- explore how data can help solve problems at both local and national levels

The challenge is designed to inspire students by encouraging them to get hands-on experience with data from the ONS. Students will have the opportunity to collect their own data and work on projects that address important challenges for society. They will gain a greater understanding of how data can drive positive change by informing individual and collective decision making. They will also learn how we use data to create statistics that affect regional and national decisions.

To sign up for the challenge, <u>click here</u>.



AQA's Student Advisory Group needs your help

Deadline to apply: Monday 22nd September

AQA's Student Advisory Group is a team of passionate young people who help shape the future of education at AQA. From making assessments more accessible to improving diversity in our specifications, their voices make a real impact. Student Advisors gain valuable experience, build confidence, and develop skills that stand out on CVs and university applications. They can also use AQA as a reference for future opportunities.

Ideal candidates need to:

- have taken an AQA qualification since 2024
- be able to communicate confidently and work independently
- be passionate about education and its potential to drive change

Zainab Ali, the Student Chair, said:

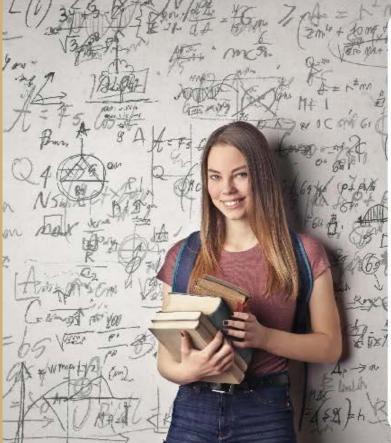
"The Student Advisory Group gives us a real seat at the table with one of the UK's biggest exam boards. We get to explore bold ideas, challenge thinking, and witness our inputs turn into real-time improvements for students nationwide. If you're eager to be part of shaping the future of education, this is a chance you don't want to miss!"

To apply, and find out more, click here.

Help us find the next generation of student changemakers







COMPOS is a FREE year long programme accepting anyone in Y10-Y12 who's interested in both physics and maths.

- Weekly online tutorials
- Mind-bending assignments
- Webinars

Don't miss out! This is a unique outreach project for UK state school students.

"I learn stuff before we do it in school, I am smarter. It is 💍"



Find out more and register your interest here: https://compos.web.ox.ac.uk



PHYSICS

Key Apprenticeship Links

- <u>Current apprenticeships in the Warrington area</u>
- Higher & Degree Apprenticeship Vacancies October 2024
- Cheshire and West Apprenticeship
 Opportunities
- Search for an apprenticeship GOV.UK
- A Guide to Traineeships and Apprenticeships Lymm Sixth Form
- Not Going To Uni Search for Opportunities
- Liverpool John Moores University Apprenticeships Courses
- Manchester Metropolitan University Become A Degree Apprentice
- Apprenticeships | University of Salford
- Programmes Apprenticeships The University of Manchester
- Search apprenticeships | UCAS
- NHS Apprenticeships
- <u>Linkedin Degree Apprenticeships</u>

Need More Help?

Our Careers Advisor, Ms Draper, is available for one-on-one support. Contact Mr Brown at Sixth Form Student Services to book an appointment (nbrown@lymmhigh.org.uk).

Register for New Degree Apprenticeship Alerts:

- Indeed
- Total Jobs
- Rate My Apprenticeship
- Prospects



Your Future, Your Choice, Move On Warrington Careers Fair



Warrington Youth Zone (WA2 7NG)
Wednesday 1st October 2025 - 16:00 - 19:00

Free and open to all in the local area, especially those in Year 9 – 13 including parents/ carers.

With over 50 stands, meet with; employers, colleges, universities, training providers and voluntary organisations from varying sectors, including digital, healthcare, finance and the services.

Whether you are deciding on subjects to study or careers to pursue, this is a great step to help you to explore your options.

- Learn about apprenticeships, T-Levels and A Level progression routes
- Find out more about going to university and interact with local universities
- Seek out part-time jobs, volunteering placements or work experience opportunities

Register now to confirm your place.



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CAREERS

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



In Cheshire and Warrington, the industry sectors that are growing include life science, digital & technology, logistics & distribution, energy, zero carbon and clean growth. Find out more here.

Key sectors with significant levels of employment are: chemicals, manufacturing & engineering, finance & business services, and health & social care.

Upcoming Events

- Lloyds Banking insight event

 Tuesday 16th September, 5–6pm
- Get into Law virtual event
 Monday 22nd September, 5–7pm
 (Zoom)
- Get into Business & Accounting
 Careers
 Tuesday 23rd September, 5–7pm
 (online)
- Warrington Careers Fair
 Wednesday 1st October
- Crowe UK Early Careers Insight
 Evening
 Wednesday 1st October,
 Manchester

- Virtual Early Careers Employability
 Workshop
 Thursday 2nd October, 4.30pm
- HSBC Work Experience
 Opportunity
 Thursday 2nd October, 5pm (Zoom)
 - Cavendish Nuclear work
 experience
 Warrington, 27–30th October
 Application deadline: Friday 3rd
 October

For details of all these events and more, click here.





The Ultimate Career Taster

We're excited to let you know that our weekend programmes are now open for registration!

Taking place this November, our one-day masterclasses give students a practical, inside look of working in their chosen field. Students can choose from 15 different industries and spend the day discovering what it's really like to work in that field and, crucially, how to break in.



Take part in interactive career simulations



Meet and learn from experienced professionals



Receive expert career coaching



Gain a certificate and talking points to boost university applications



Taking place at UCL in London, our in-person programmes allow students to fully immerse themselves in the day in the life of a professional in London.



Our online programmes are delivered live by our industry experts. Nothing is pre-recorded and all our content is carefully curated to be interactive and engaging.



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Lloyds Banking insight event

Tuesday 16th September, 5-6pm

This event is for anyone who might be looking for apprenticeships, work experience or graduate programmes in the world of banking and finance.

Lloyds Banking Group is one of the world's biggest financial services companies with over 30 million digital customers. Find out how they help Britain prosper, what makes their culture inclusive, and how their well-known brands are driving real change.

At this event, you will participate in workshops, network with their people, and hear about all of the key application deadlines for this year's opportunities. You'll hear straight from senior leaders about their journey, as well as recent apprentices and graduates and the advice they wish they'd had when starting out. In addition, all who attend this virtual event will be the first to hear about and apply for over eight in-person events at their offices all across the UK. These events take place on Saturdays, so they don't impact time out of school or university.

To register, and secure your place, <u>click here</u>.







Virtual Early Careers Employability Workshop

Thursday 2nd October, 4.30pm

This interactive session from Buro Happold is designed to support students in developing key employability skills and exploring exciting career pathways, particularly in STEM.

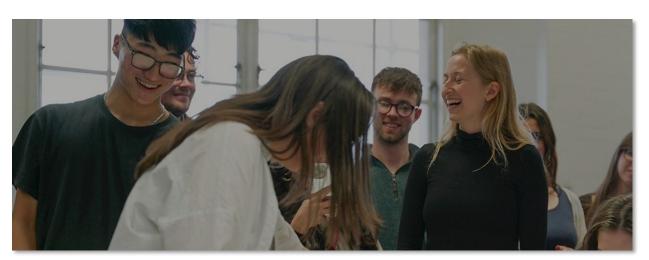
Buro Happold is a world-renowned, international engineering consultancy with a strong focus on creating sustainable, inclusive, and innovative solutions to complex built environment challenges. With projects spanning the globe – from iconic cultural landmarks to cutting-edge infrastructure – it is passionate about inspiring the next generation of engineers and problem-solvers.

The proposed workshop schedule includes:

- Welcome and Introduction
- What are Employability skills and why are they important?
- CV and Interview Preparation workshop
- Careers in STEM (hear from one of our current Graduates and Apprentices with the story of their school journey and career to date)
- Q&A and Closing Remarks

This is a fantastic opportunity for students to gain insights into the world of work, learn about careers in Engineering, enhance their career readiness, and engage with professionals in a supportive, inclusive environment.

To find out more and register, <u>click here</u>.







Get into Law virtual event

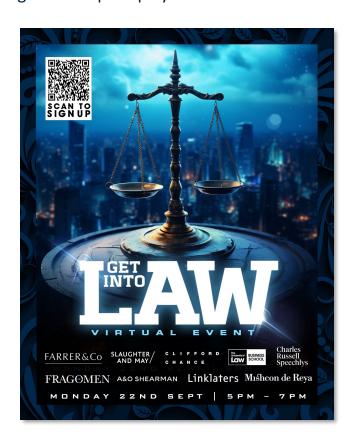
Monday 22nd September, 5–7pm (Zoom)

This is a chance to engage with representatives from some of the most prestigious law firms in the UK, as well as legal education providers, including Farrer & Co, Freshfields, Slaughter and May, Clifford Chance, Linklaters, University of Law, Fragomen and A&O Shearman.

- Workshop rooms on Zoom, where you can rotate around rooms to chat with different employers and dive deeper into different areas of law
- Insights into solicitor apprenticeships, training programmes and work experience schemes
- First-hand experiences from current legal apprentices and trainees
- Advice on applications, securing work experience, and making yourself stand out
- Interactive sessions with Early Careers teams and senior lawyers from top firms

This event is a must-attend for anyone considering a legal career. Whether you are set on becoming a solicitor, interested in alternative routes, or simply exploring your options, this session will provide valuable insights to help shape your future.

To register, and secure your place, click here.









HSBC Work Experience Opportunity

Thursday 2nd October, 5pm (Zoom)

This virtual work experience opportunity with HSBC takes place outside of school hours, making it easily accessible for students.

HSBC and The Nature Trust UK – Nature Projects That Make a Difference

- A 45-minute virtual briefing with the HSBC team
- Complete the career challenge at your own pace
- Certification awarded on completion

In this fictional scenario, HSBC is working with The Nature Trust UK on a charitable programme to support nature-based climate action across the UK. Your challenge: act as a climate consultant and pitch a nature project that supports net zero targets in one of five cities (London, Sheffield, Birmingham, Chester or Leeds). Use real-world data to build a case, balance environmental impact with local needs, and present a

solution that HSBC could fund. Your data-driven decisions could shape the future of green finance.



Watch the briefing session video



Students work on the challenge in their own time

What this career challenge will involve:

- Understand the Problem: Why is nature-based climate action important? How can green projects help fight climate change?
- Working with Data: Developing your problem solving and data literacy skills to make an informed decision to present your idea to HSBC.
- Finding Patterns & Trends: Which cities are facing the most urgent challenges?
- Present your Ideas & Recommendations: Create a presentation to include the city or cities you have selected for funding and explain how your idea could make a real difference.



Certification of virtual work experience

To find out more, and register, click here.



Recorded industry assessment

GIVE SOMETHING BACK

Do you, or members of your family, have shoes that you no longer wear? If so, please consider donating them to the children at our Kenyan partner school: St. Trizah.





Which shoe sizes?

Any shoes that would fit children between the ages of 3-14



What kind of shoes can I donate?

Any! As long as they are still wearable!

Hall points for every pair!

Where do I take them?

You can leave them either:

- At reception
- In A210 with Miss Tunstall
- With your form tutor



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

- University of Liverpool Open Days
 Saturday 20th September
 Saturday 11th October
- Entry to Med School
 Monday 29th September, 4.30–6pm
 Click here to book.
- Medical Ethics
 Wednesday 1st October, 4.30–6pm
 Click here to book.

- Unifrog University Fair
 Tuesday 14th October
 To sign up, <u>click here</u>.
- University of Manchester
 mA*ths online programme
 October 2025 to February 2026
- Chester University Open Days
 Saturday 18th October 2025
 Saturday 15th November 2025
 Saturday 6th December 2025

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



UCAS deadlines and reminders (I)

This information sheet is to make sure you are clear on UCAS deadlines and procedures, so that your application is sent off without delay.

Sixth Form UCAS Deadlines

- Early Entry (Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary, Oxbridge): **25th September 2025**
- All Other Applications: 4th November 2025

Meeting the Sixth Form Deadlines

Your application will be submitted to school once you've clicked 'PAID AND SENT'.

- This does **not** send your application straight to UCAS.
- It first goes to Mrs Hughes, who checks it carefully.
- After that, it is also checked by Mr Mullin (Head of Year) and Mrs Neesam (Head of Sixth Form).
- The **checking process takes up to 2 weeks**, before Mrs Hughes sends your application to UCAS.

This Internal deadline is important so there's time to spot any mistakes and make sure everything is ready to go.

Need help? Got a question?

Speak to a member of the Sixth Form team or email Mrs Hughes

(lhughes@lymmhigh.org.uk).





UCAS deadlines and reminders (II)

References

Before you submit, please make sure you've spoken to your referee about what courses you're applying for. This helps them write the best possible reference to support your application. You should already have done this, but if you haven't, your reference will not be written and ready for Mrs Hughes to send your application to UCAS.

Predicted grades

Your predicted grades are entered on to your UCAS application by Mrs Hughes after you have submitted your application to school – these will be communicated to you prior to when your application needs to be completed – more information about these will be given in assembly and to parent/carers via letter in due course.

Key things to remember

- We have over 200 applications to process, and each one takes up to 2 weeks to check.
- Your application will only be checked after you have 'PAID AND SENT' it to Sixth Form.
- Applications are checked in the order they are submitted so the earlier you submit, the earlier yours will be processed.
- Avoid these <u>Common Mistakes</u>, or this will delay your application.
- If errors are found, your application will be sent back to you to correct.
- Please do not submit your application to Sixth Form until you have completed all sections fully.

