Sixth Form is a challenging yet exciting time, and staying motivated is key to making the most of it. Remember, every small effort you put in now adds up to big results, whether it's acing your assessments next week or building skills for your future. Stay focused on your goals, and keep pushing forward, even when things get tough!

IAG EVENTS

Thank you to those parents who joined us at the IAG meetings on **Thursday 18th September**. The links to the presentations are below:

- Year 12
- Year 13

ENRICHMENT FAIR

Last week's fair was a great success. Please use UniFrog to log the enrichment activities you are doing. Click on 'Activities' and follow the instructions online. Your Tutors will use this information in your mentor meetings and you will use these notes when applying for University and jobs. If you would still like to sign up to a particular club or activity, please email Miss J Dixon.

NHS CAREERS

We have a visitor on Monday 22nd September, (1.15-2.20pm) in N206 talking about careers in the NHS. This is open to both Year 12 and 13 students.

LIFE PROGRAMME

Life Programme this week focuses on study skills and motivation. Year 13 are encouraged to reflect on how to eliminate unnecessary tasks, automate key revision processes and speed up the learning process using tools to their advantage. Year 12 will look at the 'myth of the genius' and how hard work and having a vision creates opportunities for success over the long term.

Dofe Parent Evening

There will be an Information Evening at school on **Tuesday 7th October** in the Main Hall (5.30–6.30pm) for Year 9, 10 and 12 parents that are new to the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme.



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK



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



CALENDAR 22–26 September 2025

DAY	YEAR 12		YEAR 13	OTHER EVENTS
MONDAY	Monday Reset – The Sixth		Monday Reset – <i>The Sixth</i>	NHS careers talk, 1.15–2.20pm, N206 (see p.1)
TUESDAY	Assembly		Debates and Issues	Careers Advisor
WEDNESDAY	Life Programme – Motivation (see p.1)		Life Programme— Putting in the hours (see p.1)	Debate Club, 1.30–2.30pm, N103
THURSDAY	Enrichment logging on Unifrog	F	Assembly – Predicted grades	
FRIDAY	Check-in and catch-up		Form	Macmillan Coffee Morning. European Day of Languages.

NEWS



Hall Together Raffle

Today we are launching our online raffle for parents, carers and anyone aged over 18. The raffle is being held to support the transformation of our Main Hall, and the funds generated will go towards upgrading the theatre lights and sound system. Every ticket purchased helps us move closer to our goal of enhancing the educational experience for all of our students.

Online tickets can be bought for £2 each by scanning the QR code below.



The raffle will close at noon on **Friday 12th December** 2025. Winners will be announced the same day.

For full details, please <u>click here</u> to read the letter sent home.

BIRTHDAYS

- R. Chawla
- A. Hunt
- P. Moss
- K. Naruka
- T. Underhill

REMINDERS

DONT FORGET TO:

GEOGRAPHY ICELAND TRIP

Students must get details of their EHIC / GHIC to Mrs
Rigby by **Tuesday 30th September** and must email their Icelandic research article to Mr Elwood for inclusion in the trip booklet asap. <u>Click here</u> for the Parental Information slides.

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).





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.

Please bring cash to buy cakes!!





Get into medicine and dentistry conferences

These are ideal for Year 12 students who are curious about a career as a doctor/dentist, or those set on pursuing medicine or dentistry:

• Free Live Virtual Get Into Medicine Conference:

Saturday 20th September, 9–1.30pm Sunday 21st September, 9–1.30pm Sunday 28th September, 9–1.30pm To register, click here.



• Free Live Virtual Get Into Dentistry Conference:

Saturday 27th September, 9–1.30pm To register, <u>click here</u>.

These events offer a complete guide through the medical and dentistry application journey.



Students will gain key insights into the UCAS application process, connect with doctors, dentists, medical and dental students, whilst gaining a clearer view of a future in healthcare. Essential topics will include:

- Application Timeline
- How to Tactically Choose Medical or Dental Schools
- Personal Statements
- Medical/Dental School Interviews
- CAT Entrance Exam to Medical School
- Medical Leadership and Awards Programmes
- Accessing Work Experience and scholarships

Students will be awarded a certificate of attendance, which can be listed in their UCAS applications, evidencing their preparation into a course in medicine. Students must have a working camera and microphone for the session. Additionally, a parent or guardian should be present during these conferences to provide valuable insights and guidance, ensuring they can effectively support their progress.

ONS DATA CHALLENGE 2025

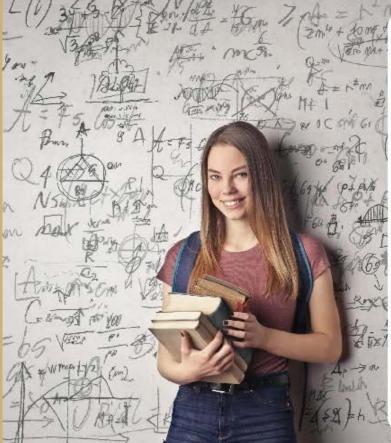
The Office for National Statistics (ONS) Data Challenge 2025 initiative launches on **Tuesday 30th September** and is open to students aged 16–18. It can help students to:

- 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, click here.





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

Russell Group Webinar Fairs

Tuesday 30th September to Thursday 2nd October

Taking place over 3 days, five 90-minute sessions will feature four or five expert panellists who will offer clear, impartial guidance for students looking at taking the next step in their educational journey. In each session the Q&A function will be managed by other member universities from the Russell Group who will be able to answer specific questions and provide further information.

The schedule is as follows:

Tuesday 30th September

An introduction to the Russell Group and why choose to study there?, 12–1.30pm
Student life at University, 4.30–6pm

Wednesday 1st October

Considering clinical and health professions, 4.30-6pm

• Thursday 2nd October, 12–1.30pm

Researching university options

Personal Statements and applying to a Russell Group university,

Once students have registered, they will be able to select the webinars they would like to join by clicking on Zoom links. Please also register if you would like to be emailed access to the recordings.

4.30-6pm

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



CyberFirst Bursary

Deadline for applications: Monday 17th November

The National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) have 300 places available for its CyberFirst Bursary. You could get up to £24,000 – whatever you're studying! – with an 8-week placement over the summer. The work experience is with some of the top industry companies, such as Microsoft, AWS, BAE Systems, IBM and KPMG.

Working with GCHQ, the NCSC, as well as over 150 industry members and other government departments, you'll gain unrivalled insight into the constantly evolving world of cyber security and tech, taking on some seriously unique, real-world research tasks and projects (including cyber-attacks, espionage, terrorism and organised crime). It's a challenging, varied and meaningful development opportunity that you simply won't find anywhere else while gaining your degree of choice.

The programme could potentially lead to exciting roles within government and industry. Particularly in intelligence and national security organisations or their industry partners, where you'll help to shape and further advance our technical capability, including our ability to tackle national security threats.

To apply, and find out more, click here.





YOUR NEXT STEPS BEYOND SCHOOL

InvestIN are running a series of free webinars to help you think about your next steps after school. Each session gives practical advice on different pathways and what you can be doing now to strengthen future applications.

The events are suitable for all students in Years 11-13, whether you are just starting to explore your options or are preparing applications.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

If you cannot join live, you can still register to receive the recording.

MAKING IT TO MEDICAL SCHOOL TUESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER · 6-7 PM UK TIME

Gain expert insight from UCLH Dr Obaid Sayed on how to approach medical school applications and show admission tutors you're ready for the challenges of medical school.



ALTERNATIVE PATHWAYS TO UNIVERSITY WEDNESDAY 1ST OCTOBER • 6-7 PM UK TIME

University isn't the only route - explore how degree apprenticeships and other pathways can lead to successful careers.



UNDERSTANDING UCAS THURSDAY 2ND OCTOBER · 6-7 PM UK TIME

Learn how to build a UCAS application that stands out, and discover the steps you can take now to showcase your interests and experiences.



SIGN UP

Key Apprenticeship Links

- Current apprenticeships in the Warrington area
- 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
- <u>Programmes Apprenticeships The University of Manchester</u>
- 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



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



ARE YOU AGED 14+ AND LOOKING FOR VALUABLE EXPERIENCES THAT WILL MAKE YOUR CV STAND OUT?



WE ARE LOOKING FOR ENTHUSIASTIC YOUNG PEOPLE IN SCHOOL. COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY TO VOLUNTEER WITH US

THIS IS A FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY IF YOU'RE CONSIDERING A FUTURE CAREER IN:

- TEACHING
- HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE
 - MEDICINE
 - SOCIAL WORK
- YOUTH & COMMUNITY WORK
- OR JUST TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

WHAT YOU WILL DO:

- SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS IN SESSIONS.
- ASSIST WITH LIFE SKILLS AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES.
- PROVIDE SMALL GROUP SUPPORT
- CREATE ACCESSIBLE RESOURCES
- PROMOTE COMMUNICATION AND CONFIDENCE
- HELP BUILD COMMUNITY CONNECTION

ACTIVITIES WE RUN:

- FOOTBALL, DANCE, YOGA AND DRAMA
- SOCIAL EVENTS.
- SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLUBS AND RESIDENTIALS
- COOKING AND FOOD SKILLS
- TOODLER PLAY SESSIONS
- CREATIVE ARTS AND DIGITAL SKILLS.
- LIFE SKILL WORKSHOPS AND MORE!

WHAT YOU WILL GAIN:

- GAIN FIRST HAND EXPERIENCE
- DEVELOP TRANSFERABLE SKILLS.
- MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT
- BOOST YOUR UNI/JOB APPLICATIONS



LOCATIONS:

MOST SESSIONS ARE DELIVERED AT THE DOWN SYNDROME CHESHIRE HUB DENTON DRIVE, NORTHWICH, CW97LU

DANCE IN CHESTER AND WARRINGTON

FOOTBALL IN KNUTSFORD

TIMES:

EVENTS ALLWEEK
DAYTIME, EVENINGS AND WEEKENDS

EMAIL: ADMIN@DSCHESHIRE.ORG.UK FOR MORE INFORMATION



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



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 $\underline{\text{here}}$.

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

Upcoming Events

- Get into Law virtual event
 Monday 22nd September, 5–7pm
 (Zoom)
- Careers
 Tuesday 23rd September, 5–7pm
 (online)

Get into Business & Accounting

- STEM virtual careers event
 Wednesday 24th September,
 5–6.30pm
- Investment banking virtual event

 Tuesday 30th September, 5–6.30pm

 (Zoom)
- Warrington Careers Fair
 Wednesday 1st October
- Crowe UK Early Careers 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
- Virgin Media virtual work experience week
 27–30th October

For details of all these events and more, <u>click here</u>.





STEM virtual careers event

Wednesday 24th September, 5-6.30pm

This virtual exclusive event involves six of the world's leading STEM companies, designed to give you insights into the industry, work experience and apprenticeship programmes. Workshops will be run in breakout rooms, giving you the chance to network and build up your professional network with leaders from across the industry.

Companies attending:

- Spectris PLC
- National Grid
- NESO
- BDO
- Wates
- RAF

Participating in an event such as this will not only allow you to learn more about the industry, but it will also give you a unique opportunity to gain valuable experience that will be beneficial for adding value to your CV and LinkedIn profile. This will show employers that you are proactive and looking



to develop your skillset before entering the workplace, which can help you to be recognised as an ambitious and motivated individual as well as allowing you to stand out from other students.

To sign up, click here.



- > Are you curious to learn what Virgin Media O2 is all about?
- > Are you passionate about STEM?

Virtual Work Experience Week

27th - 30th October 2025



Apply now!

Click or scan the QR code to apply with code **VMO2C3**

Our four-day programme will immerse you in the world of telecoms, help boost your potential and enhance your knowledge of Virgin Media O2 and our offerings.

You'll hear from business leaders what it's like to work in a dynamic industry, learn the latest from the world of broadband, TV, fixed line and mobile and gain insight into our purpose 'See What You Can Do!'

Explore our graduate, industrial placement and apprenticeship opportunities whilst working on a dynamic project that will help you earn your Bronze Industrial Cadets accreditation.

Hear first-hand testimony and tips from graduates, interns, apprentices and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) ambassadors! Delve into the importance of hands-on problem-solving and critical thinking skills, company and sector research.

Take control of your future and make a difference in the world around you.







Investment banking virtual event with UBS

Tuesday 30th September, 5–6.30pm (Zoom)

This insightful evening is designed to give you a closer look into careers in Banking and Finance. You'll gain valuable insights that will boost your university applications, future job searches, and understanding of the finance industry.

UBS is a global leader in wealth management, investment banking, and asset management, serving clients across more than 50 countries. With managed assets of US\$5.71 trillion and a revenue of US\$39.36 billion in 2023, UBS is a powerhouse in the financial sector, helping individuals, institutions, and corporations grow and protect their wealth.

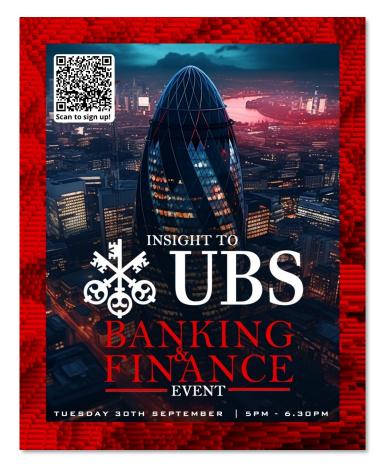
 Explore UBS's Student Career Opportunities: Discover the exciting range of roles available at UBS in areas like Asset Management, Global Wealth Management, Investment Banking, and more.

• Exclusive Insights: Learn what UBS looks for in future talent and how to stand out in your applications for internships, apprenticeships and graduate pro-

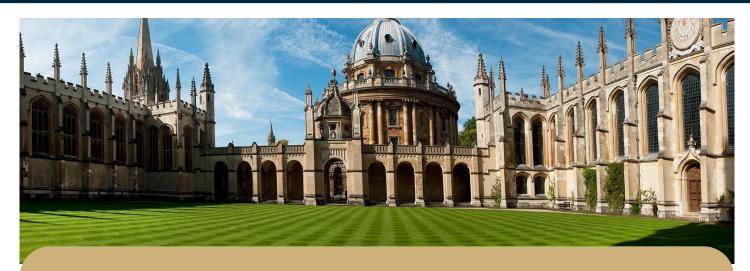
grammes.

Hear from Industry Experts: Meet professionals from various UBS departments who will share their career journeys, insights into the finance industry, and advice on how to succeed in one of the world's most prestigious financial institutions.

To register, click here.



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.

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- 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.
- Russell Group Webinar Fairs
 Tuesday 30th September to
 Thursday 2nd October
- Medical Ethics
 Wednesday 1st October, 4.30–6pm
 Click here to book.

- Unifrog University Fair
 Tuesday 14th October
 To sign up, click here.
- 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'.