

THE SIXTH

23–27 February 2026

THIS WEEK...
LOCK IN
SEASON

Sixth Form, this is your moment to step up.

For Year 13, this is your Mock Week. This isn't just another set of exams, it's the rehearsal for the real thing. This is the time to sharpen your focus, raise standards, and prove to yourself what you're capable of. Distractions can wait. Every revision session, every early night, every focused paper is a vote for the future you're building. Lock in now, so when the real exams come, you are not hoping you're ready: you know you are.

YEAR 12 PARENTS' EVENING

Year 12 Parents' Evening will take place on **Thursday 12th March**. This will be held in school and students must attend with their parent / carer. This is an essential and important opportunity to discuss progress, set clear expectations and plan effectively for the crucial year ahead. [Click here](#) to read the letter sent home.

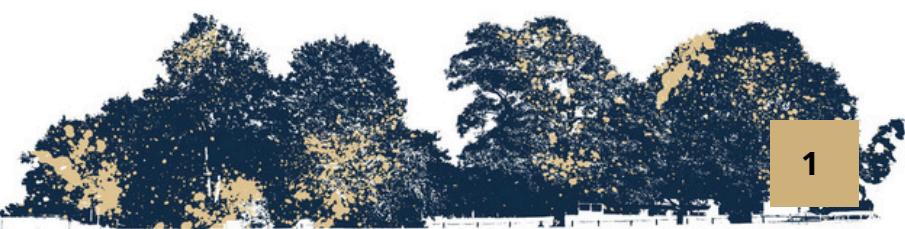
YEAR 12 WORK EXPERIENCE

All Year 12 students must have the initial details of their work placement logged on Unifrog [here](#) by no later than **Friday 13th February**. To read the Work Experience letter sent to parents and carers, please [click here](#).

YEAR 13 MOCKS

Good luck to all Year 13 students for the Mock Exams.

See pages 8 and 9 for a reminder of study leave rules, expectations and etiquette. [Click here](#) for a reminder of the letter sent to Year 13 parents and carers.



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK



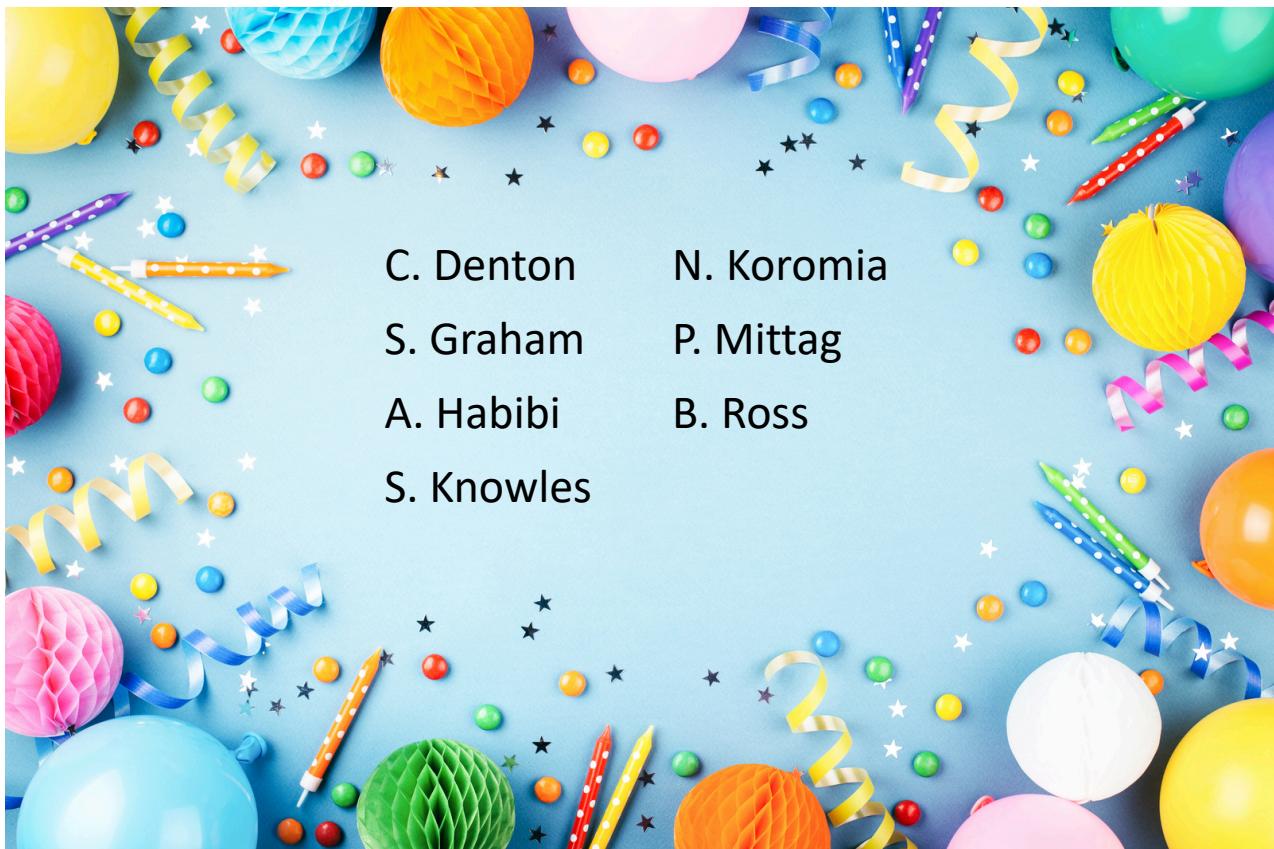
Please [click here](#) to view the Assessment calendar, which includes key dates for the year ahead.

CALENDAR

23–27 February 2026

DAY	YEAR 12	YEAR 13	OTHER EVENTS
MONDAY	Monday reset – <i>The Sixth</i>	MOCKS	
TUESDAY	Life Programme (see p.4)	MOCKS	Careers Advisor
WEDNESDAY	Assembly	MOCKS	
THURSDAY	Study Skills – Brain Dump practice session	MOCKS	
FRIDAY	Futures Friday – Work experience catch up	MOCKS	School Nurse, 10.45–11.15am

BIRTHDAYS



C. Denton	N. Koromia
S. Graham	P. Mittag
A. Habibi	B. Ross
S. Knowles	



LIFE PROGRAMME



Our next Extended Life Programme session is on **Tuesday 24th February**.

Parliament and Voting Rights Post-16



Year 12 students will have the opportunity to attend an engaging talk delivered by British Parliamentary Education, focusing on voting rights and the importance of democratic participation. The session will highlight how voting gives individuals a voice in shaping the future of their communities and country, empowering young people to influence decisions that affect education, healthcare, the economy and social justice. The talk will also encourage students to become informed, active citizens as they approach voting age, helping them understand their rights, responsibilities, and the impact their choices can have on society.

The timings of the day will change very slightly as follows

Registration	8.25–9.10am
Period 1	9.10–10.05am
Period 2	10.05–11.00am
Break	11.00–11.30am
Period 3	11.30–12.25pm
Period 4	12.25–1.20pm
Lunch	1.20–2.15pm
Period 5	2.15–3.10pm

INTERHALL PICKLEBALL

9th - 13th MARCH 2026

SPORTS HALL

For KS4 AND KS5

SIGN UP BY EMAILING 19JGRIFFIN

Every
Lunchtime



LYMM
HIGH SPORTS

DOUBLES COMPETITION

REMINDERS

DONT FORGET TO:

YEAR 13 UCAS

A reminder that the equal opportunities deadline has now passed. Students previously received an assembly about how to make decisions on course offers. [Click here](#) to see guidance on the UCAS website about how to make decisions. Students can track their offers in their UCAS hub. [Click here](#) to read information about how 'track' works.

KEY DATES

A reminder to check the [Key Dates and Assessment Calendar](#) for important dates throughout the academic year.

STUDENT FINANCE

An online Information, Advice and Guidance evening on this subject will be held for parents and carers on **Tuesday 24th March** at 7pm. A link will be sent nearer the time.

SIXTH FORM DRIVERS

If you wish to use the Sixth Form car park, your car must be registered with school [here](#). Please always drive carefully, keeping to the 5mph speed limit. Be especially mindful of pedestrians at the zebra crossing and ensure you park considerately so the space can be used safely by everyone.

UNIFROG PARENT ACCOUNTS

All Sixth Form parents and carers have now had parental accounts activated on Unifrog. [Click here](#) to read the letter sent on Class Charts this week. [Click here](#) to see how Unifrog can support your child's career decisions.

SAVE THE DATE

The Year 13 Prom will be held on **Thursday 9th July** at Statham Lodge Hotel. More details will follow after the February half-term break.



SIXTH FORM PHONE SWAP



Swap your
phone

For a
whiteboard

at the Sixth Form desk
for 1 hour / full free
period (minimum).

Get a Freddo or Lollipop
with your phone when
you switch back!

WIN-WIN!

- Remove the distraction
of your phone
- Revise / brainstorm



EXAMS

YEAR 13



The Year 13 Mock exams will take place during the week commencing **23rd February**.
The timetable is below.

	Morning	Afternoon
Monday 23rd February	Music Tech Paper 1 History Paper 1 Physics	German Writing Business Dance
Tuesday 24th February	English Literature Theatre Further Maths Paper 1 Biology Paper 1	History Paper 2 Chemistry Paper 1 Music Tech Paper 2 Geography Paper 1
Wednesday 25th February	English Language Chemistry Paper 2 German Listening/Reading/Translating French Listening/Reading/Writing	PE Economics R.S Paper 1
Thursday 26th February	Media Biology Paper 2 Further Maths paper 2	Spanish Listening/Reading/Writing Psychology Maths Paper 1
Friday 27th February	Geography Paper 2 French Writing R.S Paper 2	Maths Paper 2 Sociology Spanish Writing

Exam Etiquette

To ensure exams run smoothly, students must arrive 15 minutes before the scheduled start time:

- Morning exams: Arrive at 8.30am for an 8.45am start
- Afternoon exams: Arrive at 12.45pm for a 1.00pm start

Mobile phones must be switched off completely (not on 'Do Not Disturb') and stored as instructed. Students must also ensure they bring all required equipment to each exam.

EXAMS

YEAR 13



Study Leave

Study leave will begin on **Monday 23rd February** and end on **Friday 27th February**.

During this time, most lessons will not run, and there will be no Form Time or Supervised Study Periods in the Upper Hex.

Coursework Subjects – Alternative Arrangements

Students studying the following subjects should note the different arrangements during study leave week:

BTEC Sport	CTEC ICT	Art
Photography	BTEC Fashion	3D Design
	BTEC Business	BTEC Health and Social Care

- Lessons will continue as normal throughout the study leave period.
- Students must attend their timetabled lessons unless they clash with an exam.
- If a student has an exam in the afternoon, they are permitted to miss timetabled lessons in the morning in order to prepare and revise.
- Where a morning lesson is missed due to an afternoon exam, students must check with their subject teacher in advance and follow instructions regarding catch-up work, homework or independent study.

Academic Support Plan Students – Alternative Arrangements

Students who are currently on Academic Support Plans will not be on study leave and must attend Sixth Form throughout this period. These students:

- Must attend school every day from 8.25am to 3.10pm.
- Must sign in and out at the Sixth Form desk each period.
- Will study in their allocated study rooms with a member of staff.
- Do not need to attend Form Time or other lessons (as these will not be running)unless they study one of the coursework subjects listed above.

We would like to thank Parents / carers in advance for their support in ensuring that students follow the arrangements that apply to them during the study leave period.

FUTURES OPPORTUNITIES

Virtual University Fair

Wednesday 18th March, 4–6.30pm

Over the course of 2 hours, students can attend mini-lectures on a range of subjects and meet 32 universities from across the UK including Kings College London, Manchester Metropolitan, and the University of Aberdeen.

The fair is free to all students.

The subject discovery fair gives students a taste of what it's really like to study at university through mini-lectures on trending topics across a wide range of subjects. Students can learn about:

- **Cybersecurity and AI:** How ChatGPT works with the University of Westminster
- **Environmental and earth sciences:** Global sustainable development with the University of Warwick
- **Business:** Brands and what they mean to consumers with the University of Essex
- And much more, with sessions on other popular subjects including Criminology and Psychology, Medical Sciences and Creative Arts.

To browse the full schedule, [click here](#).

Parents and caregivers are welcome to join too – there's a session for them about supporting university research and decision-making, and they're free to join any other part of the fair.

To sign up, [click here](#).

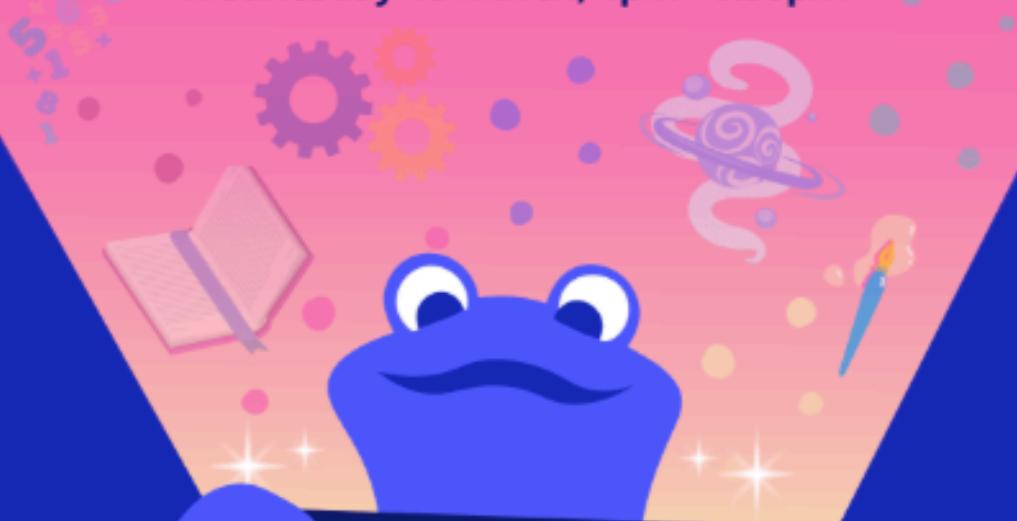


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SUBJECT DISCOVERY FAIR

From finance to nursing, law to creative arts, and engineering to teaching, get all your questions answered by the experts!

Wednesday 18 March, 4pm - 6:30pm



scan to
sign up



FUTURES OPPORTUNITIES

Maths & Psychology Revision Day in Leeds

Thursday 19th February, 10–1pm Maths and 2–5pm Psychology

This February half-term, Young Professionals and Peppo are putting on an A' Level Revision Day for students studying maths or psychology to help them prepare for the upcoming exam season. This is a free event and will be held at the Eversheds Sutherland offices in Leeds. There will also be a livestream, so if students cannot make it in person, they can join remotely.

The high-impact exam booster day is designed to give students practical tools, expert insight, and the motivation you need to succeed.

- **Exam predictions** - In-depth insight from educational experts into what is most likely to come up in your exams.
- **Key topics** - A focused review of complex and high-value topics, including example exam questions.
- **Enhanced exam technique** - Learn how exams are marked and how to maximise your performance.
- **Effective revision strategies** - Practical advice on how to use your revision time effectively.
- **Takeaway materials** - Helpful resources to test your understanding and guide your revision in the weeks ahead.

Tutors will help you understand core topics, exam mark schemes and much more. The sessions will be interactive, with questions and rewards for getting involved (even if you answer incorrectly!).

To apply, [click here](#).



IMPERIAL

Outreach
SUMMER SCHOOLS

Year 12 Sutton Trust Summer School



14 - 17 JULY OR 21 - 24 JULY 2026

Would you like to explore the exciting possibility of studying for a STEM degree at Imperial College London?

This four-day, residential programme is a great opportunity to spend time immersed in the academic department of your choice, allowing you to explore the subject you're passionate about while gaining practical skills relevant to your future studies.

Participants will also have access to ongoing support and resources from Imperial and the Sutton Trust.

Key information

- You must be attending a non fee-paying school.
- Further eligibility criteria apply - please see our website.

Imperial College London



**Apply by 12.00
midday 5 March**



020 7594 2720

<https://bit.ly/Y12suttontrust>

CAREERS

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.



Our [careers website](#) includes a [calendar of events](#), [labour market information](#) and a link to [Unifrog](#).

Upcoming Events

- **Explore the STEM world of defence & technology**
16–18th February 2026, 10–3pm (Teams)
- **Virtual STEM work experience with NESO**
Tuesday 17th February, 10–2.30pm (Zoom)
- **Curious about a career in policing?**
Wednesday 18th February, 1.30–2.30pm (Teams)
- **Apprenticeships in the Investment Management Industry**
Wednesday 18th February, 6–7pm (Zoom)
- **Tech-driven retail careers**
Thursday 19th February, 10–12.30pm (virtual)
- **Clifford Chance work experience**
Thursday 19th February, 10–3pm
- **Work experience at the House of Lords**
Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th March, 10–3pm
Application deadline: Tuesday 17th February
- **Careers in Veterinary Science**
Monday 23rd March to Wednesday 25th March, 9.30–2.30pm (remote).
Deadline to apply: Monday 23rd February

For details of all these events and more, [click here](#).

Work experience at the House of Lords

Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th March, 10–3pm

Application deadline: Tuesday 17th February

Curious about how Parliament works behind the scenes? Want to explore careers that shape democracy, policy and public life? This House of Lords virtual work experience programme offers a unique chance to step inside one of the UK's most historic institutions and meet the people who make it run.

- The programme kicks off with an interactive introduction to the House of Lords – what it does, why it matters, and how it plays a vital role in supporting democracy in the UK.
- You will then take part in a procedural seminar that explains how debates, legislation and decision-making really work.
- Meet colleagues from across the House of Lords Administration and explore the wide range of roles beyond politics.
- Join a Q&A session with staff from different service areas and ask questions about their careers, pathways and experiences working in Parliament.
- Learn about international connections through an introduction to Inter-Parliamentary Relations and discover how the UK Parliament collaborates globally.
- Find out about routes into Parliament, including recruitment pathways, skills employers look for, and how to prepare for future opportunities.

To apply, and find out more, [click here](#).



CAREERS



Virtual STEM work experience with NESO

Tuesday 17th February, 10–2.30pm (Zoom)

Are you interested in an exciting career in engineering and energy systems? At this virtual STEM work experience with National Energy System Operator (NESO), students can discover opportunities in the engineering and energy sector and learn how to help shape the future of sustainable energy.

NESO is part of the UK Government, is publicly owned and has a core responsibility for the entire distribution of the UK's electricity and gas supply. They have some fantastic student programmes on offer this year and this work experience day (during the half-term break) will give students a unique insight to the work they do.

- Learn About Engineering Roles: Gain insight into the innovative work of the National Energy System Operator to balance supply and demand across the UK's energy grid.
- Explore Career Pathways: Discover opportunities and meet current and former apprentices/graduates working towards a sustainable future.
- Meet engineers working at the forefront of the energy transition, tackling real-world challenges to create a greener and more sustainable future.
- Participate in a live Q&A session to get tailored advice about the skills, qualifications, and experiences needed to succeed in this field.

To register, [click here](#).



CAREERS



Careers in Investment Management

Wednesday 18th February, 6–7pm (Zoom)

This is an exclusive webinar with Fidelity International, offering a clear and honest insight into careers within the investment management industry. The session is designed to help students and parents/carers feel informed, confident, and supported when making important early-career decisions.

- Learn about Fidelity International's apprenticeship programmes, including how they work, the qualifications gained and long-term career pathways.
- Hear directly from Fidelity's Head of Early Careers about what they look for in applicants.
- Listen to current apprentices share their experiences, day-to-day responsibilities and honest advice.
- Understand the application process, key stages and what to expect at each step.

Parents and carers are encouraged to attend, as the session will also provide reassurance and practical guidance on how best to support students as they make early career choices.

To register to attend, [click here](#).



CAREERS

Careers in Veterinary Science

Monday 23rd March to Wednesday 25th March, 9.30–2.30pm.

Full 3-day attendance expected (remote)

Deadline to apply: Monday 23rd February

Join this exclusive experience hosted by fully qualified and experienced Vets and practitioners from the University of Liverpool's School of Veterinary Science.

They will take you through a journey of understanding about careers in this profession. From what it takes to qualify, the skills you need, what and how you learn, and highlight the varied specialisms and roles that you could achieve and build your career upon.

Whether you are interested in exploring a career as a Veterinary Nurse, a Researcher or have a passion to specialise in roles with exotic animals, farm animals or small animals this experience will give you exclusive access to top professionals in this field.

- Work place insights: Hear from a range of professionals about their own career journey, what does their day to day work look like and what hints and tips they have for you in your quest to become a veterinary nurse or vet.
- Student life: How to get into university to be a vet, what does the vet course involve, and what is student life like?
- Join in the experience: Across the 3 days you can engage with the team, ask questions, join activities, tasks and you will work on a virtual group project to build on your own knowledge and experience too.

To find out more, [click here](#).



Podcast work experience for creatives

1–2nd April, 10–2pm (virtual)

Deadline to apply: Tuesday 10th March

Ever wondered what it is like working for a media agency that keeps evolving with time? Wondered what it is like building a brand from scratch and the processes behind it all to keep it running? This virtual insight day will consist of students looking into Behind the Scenes with Talk 2 Dan – the media agency bridging the gap between employers and young creatives.

DAY 1 OF VIRTUAL INSIGHT DAY

- Exploring Talk 2 Dan On the Go Podcast: the setup of the show to scheduling content and more
- Walk and Talk 2 Dan: discussing hot spots to film and capture content that resonates with the target audience
- Discussing a Day In the Life of Talk 2 Dan: putting together a workspace, the programmes, how a brand prepares for the future, and working in groups on a project.

DAY 2 OF VIRTUAL INSIGHT DAY

- Looking into processes when connecting with audiences from CRMs [Mailchimp], creating campaigns
- Building a Team: what to consider and the financial side
- Looking into processes with social media: Tik Tok, Instagram etc and presenting your projects ideas.

To find out more, [click here](#).

The logo for Talk 2 Dan. The word "TALK" is in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The letter "2" is replaced by a white, stylized question mark outline. The word "DAN" is in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The entire logo is set against a solid yellow background.

Business and Law Spring Conference

The Guildhall in London, Friday 6th March

Business session: 9.30–1.30pm; law session: 2–6pm.

This free Business and Law Spring Conference for Year 12 students is an in-person event, which will bring together 25 of the world's leading law firms and professional services companies.

At the conference, there will be lots of workshops, plenty of networking, and the opportunity to hear from senior leaders and apprentices across the industry.

Year 12 is a key moment for you to start thinking about your next steps after school as well as looking ahead to the summer for work experience opportunities, this event will help you with all of this.

Business Conference:

- Employers Attending: Lloyds Banking Group, UBS, S&W, CIMA, BDO, KPMG, University of Law Business School, Grant Thornton, Black Rock, RSM, PA Consulting

Law Conference:

- Employers Attending: Browne Jacobson, Slaughter and May, A&O Sherman, Farrer & Co, Bird & Bird, Fragomen, Pinsent Masons, Cripps, Ashurst, Stephenson Harwood, Freeths, University of Law, Fox Williams

To apply, [click here](#).



Careers in sports coaching

9–10th March, 9.30–2.30pm (virtual)

Deadline to apply: Monday 23rd February

This placement gives young people the chance to develop real-world experience in sports coaching, event planning and youth leadership.

As part of BALLISTIC BALLERS CIC's mission to empower young people, especially those from ethnic minority backgrounds, and help them reclaim their narratives, this placement supports participants to build confidence, independence, and the essential skills needed to succeed on and off the pitch.

Over the duration of the placement, young people will gain hands-on experience supporting sports sessions, helping plan community events, and learning the fundamentals of how a sports coaching business works behind the scenes.

To find out more, [click here](#).



APPRENTICESHIPS

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](#)
- [Programmes - Apprenticeships - The University of Manchester](#)
- [Search apprenticeships | UCAS](#)
- [NHS Apprenticeships](#)
- [Linkedin - Degree Apprenticeships](#)

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](#)

UCAS



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.

- **University of Manchester mA*ths online programme**
January to May 2026
- **Unifrog Subject Discovery Fair**
Wednesday 18th March, 4–6.30pm
- **University of Chester social and political sciences taster day**
Wednesday 25th March, 9.30–2.30pm
- **STEM Summer Residential**
June and August 2026

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