

UCAS day plans

From Monday 15th June, we will be inviting students into school to attend specialist UCAS subject sessions. These sessions should help you prepare further for life after Sixth Form and think more about what you want to do and how best to get there. Students have been allocated across different days based on their responses to a survey that was sent out before half term.

Timings

Students will be expected to attend school from 1:45-3:45 for one afternoon in the two-week period from 15th - 26th June. You are only able to attend one of these days and should not be in school otherwise during this period.

Safety

Students should discuss with their parents/carers about taking appropriate measures to ensure safety when travelling to and from school particularly if it is necessary to use public transport. If students or their families are not comfortable with the safety arrangements or need to shield, students should not attend these days. All talks will where possible be recorded and posted on the Sixth Form PSHE team so they can be accessed by students who cannot attend. Students should observe social distancing at all times both while in school and travelling.

Content

While in school, students will take part in three workshops on Personal statement writing, student life and making decisions. The Personal statement sessions will be run by a subject specialist who will offer advice on how to tailor your applications. The student life session will feature a member of staff accompanied by a current University student or recent graduate talking about what life at University is like. The making decisions session will be run by a member of the Sixth Form team and will allow an opportunity for students to speak one-on-one about their plans and to ask any questions they have.

Apprenticeships

The day focused on apprenticeships will have a similar structure but will obviously have a slightly different focus. There will be instruction on personal statements alongside information about applying for apprenticeships as well.

Engineering and Physics

The one group for whom these sessions will be significantly different is for those interested in applying for Engineering or Physics related courses. Due to staff availability and the number of students interested in studying this topic, these sessions will be taking place online. There will be a talk from Mr Stromdale about personal statements on Monday 15th June followed by talks from two recent alumni on studying Engineering at University on Monday 22nd and Friday 25th June. There will also be an opportunity for students with specific queries or questions to come into school on Monday 22nd June and have a one-on-one discussion with Mr Stromdale or a member of the Sixth Form team. These will specifically be for students who are having particular issues and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. A booking form for these sessions will be shared after the session with Mr Stromdale on 15th June.

Groupings

You have been allocated into groups based on your responses to the questionnaires. There are limitations placed on us by covid-19 restrictions which means that group sizes are limited. **However,**

if you think there has been an obvious mistake with the group you have been placed in, please inform me as soon as possible. It may be possible to change but this is unlikely due to the strict constraints on group sizes. If you expressed an interest in apprenticeships, you have been placed in the apprenticeships group. Please be aware that you will be able to access content from other days online and won't miss out. There will also be personal statement guidance on the day as well. Students who did not complete the survey or who were unclear about their future plans have been placed in the general support group. Due to the number of students interested in Medicine or Economics, these days will run twice. You only need to attend one of these days as the content will be the same on both days. Students whose parents indicated they would not be happy for them to come into school have not been allocated to a group but will of course be able to access the content from all sessions online.

Non-attendance

If you are not planning on attending these sessions for health reasons or otherwise, please e-mail me so we know not to expect you. Having a clear idea of who is attending will also help us with our planning as well so please let us know if your plans change.

Date	General area	Specific group	Location
Monday 15 th	Engineering and Physics (online lecture)		Online
Tuesday 16 th	Apprenticeships	Econ - Apprenticeships	L7
		Eng – Apprenticeships 1	G1
		Eng – Apprenticeships 2	G2
Wednesday 17 th	General support	General Support 1	G1
		General Support 2	G2
Thursday 18 th	Medicine 1	Medicine 1	L7
		Medicine 2	G1
		Medicine 3	G2
Friday 19 th	Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Maths, Computing)	Sci - General	L7
		Sci - Maths	G1
		Sci – Comp Sci	G2
Monday 22 nd	Engineering and Physics (one-on-one sessions)		JKB
Tuesday 23 rd	Arts and Humanities (Law, History, Geography, Languages, Creative Subjects – Music, Art, Architecture, Journalism)	Arts – Law/History	L7
		Arts – Humanities	G1
		Arts – Creative	G2
Wednesday 24 th	Economics 1	Econ 1	L7
		Econ 2	G1
		Econ 3	G2
Thursday 25 th	Medicine 2	Med 4	G1
		Med 5	G2
Friday 26 th	Economics 2	Econ 4	G1
		Econ 5	G2

Additional sessions of interest (All online in the Guest Lectures team)

1:30 Thursday 18th June – Will McMahon – Studying Chemistry at University

1:30 Monday 22nd June – Philip Tower – Studying Engineering at University

1:30 Friday 25th June – Jack Lawrence – Applying for Engineering at Oxbridge