

WHAT'S
NEW?

Welcome

At the end of a busy term we reflect on the many events and achievements our Sixth Form have been a part of and look towards the summer term.

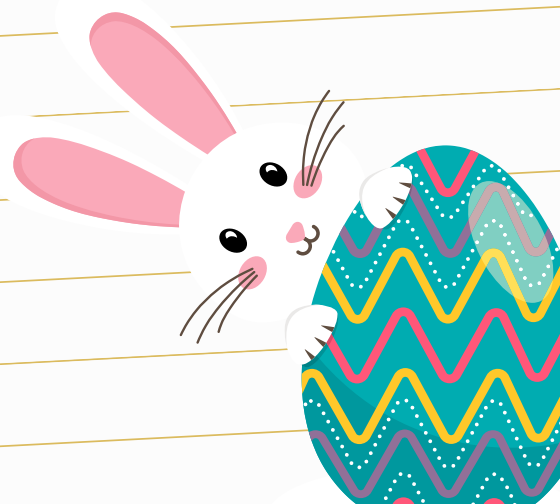
In this newsletter we are able to see how Year 12 are starting to think about their post-18 options through university talks and visits to the UCAS Exhibition and National Apprenticeship Fair.

We also share some advice for Year 13 students as they prepare for upcoming exams.

**Summer term begins
Monday 15th April**

Sixth Form upcoming dates:

- May Bank Holiday's - 6th May
- Summer Exam Season Starts - w/c 13th May
- UCAS 2025 Admissions Portal Opens - 14th May
- Y13 Leavers Celebration - 24th May
- Half term - 27th - 31st May
- Summer term 2 begins - 3rd June
- Year 12 PPE's
- Y12 Application Writing Day at Plymouth Uni - 25th June
- HE Parents Evening presented by Plymouth Uni - 27th June
- Sixth Form Summer Celebration- 28th June
- Y12 Work Experience Week - w/c 15th July



UCAS

Year 12 enjoyed a morning at the UCAS exhibition.

Students had the opportunity to find out more about universities, apprenticeships and post-18 options at the UCAS exhibition with over 100 delegates attending. Students will now spend time on the Enrichment Day, with their tutors and later in the summer term at Plymouth University to support their choices.



THE NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP SHOW

Sixth Form students have also had the opportunity to visit the National Apprenticeship Show hosted by Sandy Park, to discover opportunities for level 3 and degree apprenticeships both locally and nationally.



ENRICHMENT DAY

Year 12 students benefited from a range of activities on the day, including:

- University of South Wales, covering Personal statement planning, mind maps, extra curricular, summer schools and volunteering.
- NHS - careers within the NHS, focusing on Diagnostic and Radiography.
- Apprenticeship Pathways workshop.
- Next Steps South West, covering UCAS and post-18 options.
- Wheel of Strengths and Transferable skills session, careers focused.
- Introduction to the Extended Project Qualification



Some of our Year 12 students have attended the Devon Healthcare Hub, an outreach programme with the University of Exeter Medical School. Our students have attended interactive practical sessions, taking part in wet lab experiments, dissections, hands-on demonstrations with clinical examination kit and different types of quizzes and problem solving activities.



NEW HOUSE CAPTAINS

A massive thank you to our Year 13 House Captains who have been integral to launching the new House system. The students have supported their houses and younger students in many competitions.

After impressive interviews we are pleased to announce our new Year 12 House Captains who will initially work alongside our existing captains before taking over the role in the summer.

House Captains
Congratulations Year 12 and thank you Year 13!



Miss Moses
Miss Davis

Will Scott
Eliya Gale

Malika Bryant
Tori Fleet
Erin Newbury



Mr Lethardy
Miss Lines

Jasmine Butt
Luke Sheppard
Sam Shillabeer

Lennon Fisher
Izzy Thomas
Lottie Bishop



Mrs Bristow
Mr Livingston
Mrs Roach

Emma Rush
Adam Stephenson

Harry Payne
Zoe Ayling



Mr Goodwin
Mr Storry
Mrs Balfour

Rose Young
Amy Hughes

Lizzie Bishop
Jodie White



REVISION TIPS

Year 13 are preparing hard for their exams and Year 12 will soon be thinking about their PPEs.

During tutor time and Life Skills lessons we have been equipping pupils with some top tips and advice to ensure students are revising effectively, managing their time and looking after their well-being.

Below are some posters that summarise some of the advice students have been given.



GOOD REVISERS

by @Inner_Drive
www.innerdrive.co.uk

Eat breakfast



Sleep 8-10 hours a night



Have regular bed times



Get fresh air each day



Exercise regularly



Do past papers



Spread out their revision



Keep a diary to capture negative thoughts



Revise in a quiet environment



Drink water regularly



Put their phone away during revision



POOR REVISERS

Skip breakfast

Get little sleep

Have inconsistent bed times

Stay indoors all day

Do no exercise

Mostly revise highlighting "key" passages

Cram their revision

Dwell on worst case scenarios

Revise while listening to music or TV

Forget to stay hydrated

Revise with their mobile phone next to them



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APPLY NOW!

- Don't wait for a confirmed place at uni or college
- Apply with your preferred choice now and change it later
- Get your funding sorted early, so you can budget early

Applying for student finance

The window to apply for student finance has now opened. Please refer to the website below for advice and guidance.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2QDtlc2MnII>

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-student-finance/when>

UCAS

Making important university choices

For students who are now holding all their offers it's time to begin thinking about firm and insurance choices. Please talk through your choices with your tutor or a member of the sixth form team to help you. There is also a [handy guide here](#) provided by UCAS which can help with the process.

Apprenticeship Vacancies

Training Provider: South Devon College

For those exploring an **Apprenticeship pathway**, discover South Devon's wide range of apprenticeship opportunities where you will gain valuable real-world experience alongside your qualification. Follow this [link](#) to get started.



Year 12 students have the opportunity to organise work experience between the 15th and 19th July 2024.

Work experience is a great opportunity to learn about a job or an area of work. You'll use skills that you might not even know you have, and develop new skills that will help you work better with other people now and in the future. Finding your own work placement can be a good experience.

We already have students who have secured their placements, this is an invaluable link with the world of work, and will give students many things to write about in personal statements and apprenticeship/job applications.

Once students have found a placement they should log it on their Unifrog portal.



Have a lovely Easter break, we will look forward to seeing you all back in on Monday 15th April