

# **Sixth Form Student Bulletin**

**Week beginning Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017 (Week B)**



Dates for  
the Diary:

- **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March: There are a few mock exams but lessons are back to normal**
  - **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March: Year 12 and 13 Mock Results assembly**
  - **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March: Year 12 and 13 Parents' Consultation Evening**
  - **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March: Comic Relief Day 2017**
  - **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May: Leavers' BBQ**
  - **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May: Summer Exam Period begins**
  - **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017: Year 12 Work Experience week**
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## **Mock Exams**

Your attitude and behaviour were superb throughout the week and attendance and punctuality was excellent. The invigilators have been extremely complementary about your approach and mature attitude. We now await the results!

Your tutors will give you an exam evaluation form to fill in during period 3 on Tuesday. Please help us to help you by being honest and constructive, so that we can iron out any problems or concerns that may have arisen in readiness for the exams in the summer as well as continuing with any practice that you found helpful.

## **Results**

Your mock results will be given out in assembly on 7<sup>th</sup> March . If you do not pass a mock (gain an E grade) you are required to re-sit the exam on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. The system of re-sits is one that most universities use and helps to ensure you are not going to take an exam in the summer which you are very likely to fail. In the two weeks between the results and the re-sits, if you are involved, you will receive support with exam revision techniques as

well as help from your subject staff. This will ensure you are able to improve as long as ,of course,you put the work in. We used this system last year and in the vast majority of cases students involved improved massively and were then ready to revise and achieve in the summer.

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### **Work Experience Week 26<sup>th</sup> June to 30<sup>th</sup> June**

Please continue to organise your work experience and let Mrs Booth know as soon as you have the details. The companies do have to be risk assessed and approved before you start.

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### **Enrichment lessons start again this week**

Enrichment sessions will start again from the 1<sup>st</sup> March until the 26<sup>th</sup> April when they will stop to give you more time to revise for exams.

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# **Charity Matters**



**Friday  
24 March**

**Please start to have a think about what we can do around school to raise money for Red Nose Day. Mrs Booth has a copy of the official pack which might give you some ideas. We will hold a meeting on Tuesday at the end of period 3 to talk about your ideas**

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**Volunteers are needed to help support and organise games for the younger children at Kimberley Primary**

The Head teacher at Kimberley Primary has asked if we have any students who would be willing to give up a lunch time to organise activities for the 'littlies' who are feeling a bit lost in the playground.



If you have a keen interest in Primary education or any related career path this would be an excellent opportunity to gain some experience and leadership skills, you need to be available either Period 3 or 4 either side of our lunch break on one day as Kimberley Primary's lunch time is 12.00 – 1.00 pm.

If you are interested please see Mrs Booth or Miss Hughes as soon as possible

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**Please do not take holidays in term time.**

**Please do not book holidays before we break up on 26<sup>th</sup> July. This is very much a condition of you continuing on to A2 course**

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**Financial help in the Sixth Form**

If you have ever had free school meals, or if your parents get free prescriptions-please see me about claiming the school bursary. Also, if you have received free school meals in the past please apply for them again. You can get your lunch in the Sixth Form canteen

**Offers from University**

*Please don't reply to offers without full discussion with your parents, tutor and Mrs Livings-there is no rush and we advise that you wait until after the mocks.*

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### Security and signing in

**LANYARDS:** Over the mock period a number of you weren't displaying your lanyards. This is very much a condition of being in the 6<sup>th</sup> Form and not wearing a uniform. Tutors will be checking on Tuesday and you will need to go home and fetch it if you aren't wearing it. If you have lost your lanyard see Mrs Booth on Monday.

Thank you for taking the time to sign in and out of the common room, this information about when you are in school is extremely important.

**Happy Birthday this week to:**



**Cameron Farmer – 29<sup>th</sup> February**

**Sophie Wall – 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

**Christina Baker – 4<sup>th</sup> March**

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### Joke of the week :

*What would you get if you crossed a vampire and a teacher ?*

### School Nurse

The school nurse is available every Wednesday lunchtime, to offer confidential advice and support.

**Mobile phones** :Remember, if it's a lesson time, you shouldn't be on your phones. Please be discreet with your phones when not in lessons as the rest of

school aren't allowed them out, so if you walk down a corridor texting it sets a bad example.

You can use the common room garden to take a call.

**Joke Answer:**

***Lots of blood tests!***

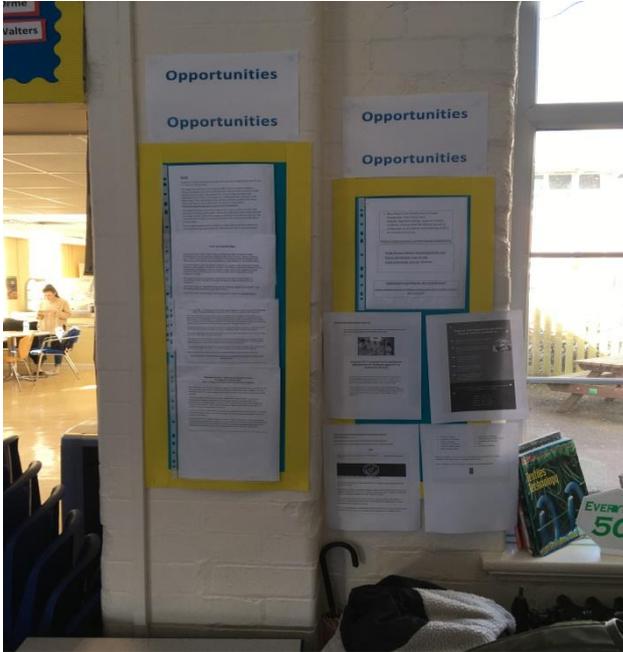
**Careers Interviews**

If you are at all unsure about what you are thinking of doing after the sixth form it might be a good idea to arrange an interview with our careers advisor – Mrs Taylor from Ideas4Careers (see Mrs Booth who can set you up with an appointment). Mrs Taylor is very knowledgeable about apprenticeships if this is something you are interested in pursuing. Alternatively, she is available for a general chat about the next stage after sixth form. Year12s are welcome to make appointments as well as Year 13s.

**Year 12s – Community Service**

- Miss Charlton always needs volunteers to help at the Tea and Toast Breakfast Club during the week, especially on Mondays and Thursdays, from 8:15am until 8:40.
  - Miss Walters is looking for sixth formers to run sessions around literacy. Please see Miss Walters in Room 21 for information. This experience can be used as part of your Silver Duke of Edinburgh.
  - Miss Charlton has asked if we have any swimmers in Year 12 who would like to help as part of their community service – please see Miss Charlton if you are interested.
  - Primary opportunity-see notice
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## Events and Opportunities



[Look on the 'Opportunities Wall' in the Common Room and see Mrs Booth for more details](#)

**Oxbridge Evening – Meet the Admissions Tutors  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2017  
7pm – 8.45pm (refreshments served from 6.30pm)**

Nottingham High School are offering a free Oxbridge Evening on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2017, from 7pm – 8.45pm.**

The evening takes the form of pre-event refreshments (from 6.30pm – 7pm) and a presentation followed by a Question and Answer session in the Player Hall. The presentation is pitched at Year 12 students, but it would also be suitable for bright and mature Year 11 pupils. There will be Admissions Tutors on hand from Cambridge and Oxford to answer any questions or queries.

Parents and staff are also welcome to attend and parking for cars and minibuses is available in the Main School Playground on Forest Road. (A map and directions booklet is attached for your information).

If you would like any of your students, parents or staff to be involved in the evening, we would be very grateful if you could let us know **by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March**, by faxing the attached form to 0115 924 9716 or emailing Mrs Wallis at [wallis.d@nottinghamhigh.co.uk](mailto:wallis.d@nottinghamhigh.co.uk). Due to restrictions on numbers, places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis

Year 12s please look at these free summer school opportunities.....

<http://www.ncl.ac.uk/schools/events/residential/bitesize-uni/#overview>

<http://www.bath.ac.uk/campaigns/experience-our-year-12-summer-schools/>

[Please also look at the Sutton Trust website for summer schools](#)

**Law :** Pure Potential works with leading global law firm Herbert Smith Freehills and each year they sponsor the Lord Toulson Essay Prize in Law which is awarded for an essay by a secondary school student that shows an outstanding understanding of, and ability in, the field of law.

It is intended to give students a chance to engage with important legal debates, and explore the kind of issues that they would be exposed to in a Cambridge law degree. Essays will be assessed on the ability to think critically about the question and the quality and originality of the argument made.

The prize is open to students worldwide who are in their final or penultimate year of school (in the UK that is Year 12 and Year 13 students).

The 2017 topic is "Should we repeal the Human Rights Act 1998?" and the submission deadline is 26 April 2017.

Find out more information, including how to enter by [clicking here](#).

## Apprenticeships

### Boots

Boots are running the award winning work inspiration programme from 3<sup>rd</sup> July – 7<sup>th</sup> July (17-19 year olds).

The weeks are held here at the support office and the students will get a chance to partake in all sorts of activities that will give them a greater insight into the world of work. They will get the chance to communicate with individuals on all levels, and develop their understanding of what life is like after school. They can indulge in lots of team activities, projects, first hand. Here is the link on our website if you would like to look further <https://www.boots.jobs/early-careers/work-inspiration/>.

The application forms have not yet gone live, as soon as they are live it will appear on the boots.jobs website (where the application takes place) and will also appear on our social media pages, so make sure you keep an eye out. The system works on a first come first serve basis, there will be around 80 places on each week.

- This is a great opportunity for students to learn a bit more about Boots as a company and maybe get an idea for what they may like to do in the future.
- **Nursing:** It is planned that the **University of Derby** will start to deliver the **Nursing Degree Apprenticeship** in September 2017, subject to gaining NMC approval.

The apprenticeship is an alternative route to gaining a nursing degree. What makes it an apprenticeship is the regular monitoring by the university, employer and apprentice about their progress and performance. An apprenticeship also includes an End Point Assessment. This is separate to any assessment done by the University. The format of this has not yet been agreed by the government, but we are expecting this to happen early in 2017.

The entry requirements are exactly the same as a nursing degree at Derby – 112 UCAS tariff points plus Five GCSEs at Grade C or above, including Maths, English and Science.

The degree apprenticeship can be full-time (3 years) or part-time (likely to be 4 years). There is no cost to the apprentice for course fees.

The apprentice will still need to undertake all of the normal placements as expected on the degree, therefore they will spend time away from their host environment. If completing the apprenticeship part time, they will spend time in their HCA role too.

The apprentice must be employed for the duration of their apprenticeship. They will be paid as part of their apprenticeship. The amount of salary per year has not been agreed.

[Find out more](#) about Higher and Degree Apprenticeships at the University of Derby.

<http://www.derby.ac.uk/health-and-social-care/courses/health-care-practice/nursing-degree-apprenticeship/>

- Moy Park is one of UK's Top 10 Food Companies, they have some Degree Apprenticeships open to A level students, closing date 9th March, based at Ashbourne or Grantham and training at NTU or Lincoln University.

<https://www.moypark.com/en/careers/apprenticeships>

- Rolls Royce Higher Apprenticeships are being advertised now on the [www.getingofar.gov.uk](http://www.getingofar.gov.uk) website
- **The Civil Service:** Here is a link to Fast Track Apprenticeship website which provides all the information about the scheme and how to apply.  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/civil-service-fast-track-apprenticeship>

**News items of the week:** *Are you following the Brexit process? Do you understand the power of the House of Lords.....if not look into it.....*

**Brexit: Heseltine vows to rebel in Lords bill debate**



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**Senior Tory Lord Heseltine has said he will rebel against the government when peers debate the bill giving Theresa May the authority to trigger Brexit.**

He said he would support an opposition amendment in the House of Lords demanding MPs get a meaningful vote on the deal reached with the EU.

Writing in the Mail on Sunday, he denied this would be a "confrontation".

But Home Secretary Amber Rudd told ITV's Peston on Sunday programme: "I hope he will reconsider."

Last week peers gave an unopposed second reading to the European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Bill, following a two-day debate involving more than 180 speakers.

- MPs have already backed the proposed law, authorising Prime Minister Theresa May to inform the EU of the UK's intention to leave.

Opposition peers want to amend the bill at a later date to guarantee the rights of EU citizens in Britain and the role of Parliament in scrutinising the process.

As the government does not have a majority in the Lords, it is vulnerable to being outvoted if opposition peers - including Labour's 202 and the 102 Lib Dems - join forces.

Mrs May has said she wants to invoke Article 50 of the 2009 Lisbon Treaty - the formal two-year mechanism by which a member state must leave the EU - by the end of March, and the government has warned the House of Lords not to frustrate the process.

Lord Heseltine wrote "The fightback starts here. My opponents will argue that the people have spoken, the [Brexit] mandate secured and the future cast. My experience stands against this argument."

He also wrote: "This is not a confrontation with the government. It is to ensure the Commons can exercise its authority over the defining issue of our time."

## **Thought for the week**

