

**Sixth Form Student Bulletin**  
**Week beginning Monday 9th October 2017 (Week B)**

We hope you had a good weekend. Remember if you have any concerns please talk to your tutor, Mrs Livings, Mrs Booth or Miss Iwanczuk.

- **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October lunchtime : 12.20pm Meeting in the Community Room for everyone helping at the Open Evening**
- **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October: Charity Meeting 12.40pm in H9**
- **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October: Sixth Form Open Evening (Students act as guides)**
- **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October: Year 7 Halloween Disco 5.00 – 7.00 pm (Students needed to decorate and help)**
- **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 9.00 am: English Language GCSE Paper 1 Resit**
- **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 9.00 am: Maths GCSE Paper 1 Resit**
- **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 9.00 am: English Language GCSE Paper 2 Resit**
- **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 9.00 am: Maths GCSE Paper 2 Resit**
- **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 9.00 am: Maths GCSE Paper 3 Resit**
- **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November: Year 12/13 Parents' Consultation Evening – all students should attend this with their parents.**

*To help you get organised, make a note of these dates in your planner.*

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Many thanks to those students who helped Mr Park on the Year 10 Open Evening – You were very impressive with the way you spoke to parents and as usual behaved as perfect role models for the younger students.

**Sixth Form Open Evening – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October**

Please sign up to help – you can add your name to the list on the common room door, we need lots of you to act as guides, serve tea and coffee, help in departments and be your usual lovely selves – displaying what wonderful young people you are, talking to parents and students about the sixth form, your subjects

Smart clothes please.

Please meet in the Community Room at 12.20pm for a brief chat about helping.

## School wear

School is a professional environment and the way you dress needs to reflect this.

Please wear clothes to school that are appropriate. **No crop tops** please or



strapless tops . No caps on in lessons etc . We don't have a uniform in the 6<sup>th</sup> Form to allow you to express your individuality but ask that you are modest/appropriate in what you wear. **Remember at all times you are role models.....**

## Mobile phones



Please don't have your phone out when walking around school or during a lesson time. This includes tutor time in the mornings. If you need to make an urgent call during a study period, you can use our Sixth Form garden area.

**Nagging about phones is tiresome for staff and detracts from their teaching which in turn impacts on your learning.**

## The Common Room

We have noticed an excellent start to the care and consideration exercised in the Common Room. It's your study space and it will only be useful to you if you carry on respecting each other by keeping noise to a minimum during lesson time.

Remember, if you need a quiet place to study, the Common Room is also open until at least 6.00pm each day. It has been great to see so many of you using it already to work in before and after school.

If you have a group task that is going to involve you needing to talk to each other, please see Mrs Livings or Mrs Booth and we will do our best to find a space in school for you to work.

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Please put all your empty sweet, crisp wrappers, empty bottles in the bins in the common room, by everyone, please aim to keep it tidy and clean. Please help our lovely dinner lady by bringing change when you buy from her at break and lunch if you can. Remember she is happy to take your orders for lunch and break and bring your meal to the Common Room



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### Extra Maths Lessons

Wednesday Afternoon GCSE Booster sessions

Starting on Wednesday 27th and running until the first Half Term there will be GCSE Maths Booster sessions for AS-Mathematics students who need to solidify their understanding of topic areas covered in the Summer Assignment. These sessions are open to all **Year12** students but are specifically recommended for those who struggled with one or more section of the Summer Assignment. Each session will be held in E2 (the shed), between approximately 3:15-4:15 pm and consist of key points, tips and practice.

#### The programme of sessions is as follows:

Wed 11th: Number: Fractions & Surds

Wed 18th: Coordinate Geometry: Linear Graphs & Linear Properties

The Thursday afternoon Drop-in Sessions (both Yr12/13) and GCSE Maths Booster Sessions (Yr12 Only) are also starting again this week – see below for details.

#### Thursday Afternoon Maths Drop-in Sessions

Starting on Thursday 28th September the Maths department will be running drop-in sessions each week to help students succeed on the course. There will be an open session each Thursday 3:15-4:15 pm in **Room32** where students from **both years** can bring their work, and receive individual support and guidance from the KS5 Maths Team. This is a great opportunity to strengthen your understanding of the topics covered in lessons and to practise skills for further independent study. These sessions are not lessons, you do not have to stay for the whole session, we only ask that you respect the working

environment for the sake of others and that you bring suitable work with you.  
**PLUS there will be biscuits!**

### Signing in and out

Please make sure you take a few seconds to sign into the Common Room when you arrive and sign out when you leave the school premises (for example if you are going out for lunch). This will help us to have a clear idea of who is in school should we need to evacuate in an emergency. This is only necessary if you leave early or come in after period 1. If you are feeling ill you must however see Mrs Booth-you cannot simply sign out and miss lessons.

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### **Outside areas**

During study periods, please avoid sitting on benches outside the Common Room and around school. You should be using these periods for studying, either in the Common Room, the library, a classroom or at home. As Sixth Formers, you play a big part in setting the working ethic around school. If younger students see you relaxing outside and not working, they may feel that this is acceptable behaviour. So, show them how it's done!

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### Joke of the week

**Patient:** Doctor, doctor. I've come out in spots like cherries on a cake.

**Doctor:** Ah, you must have analogy!

### UCAS

**The first 2 applications were sent off on Friday evening. The process of sending takes about 30 minutes with Mrs Livings, once everything else is sorted, so please plan for this. If you know you are ready make sure you have told Mrs Livings. Please keep collecting reference sheets and hand them to your tutors or Mrs Booth.**

**Year 13 - Need help with UCAS?**

*When? Friday after school*

*Where? Common Room*

### **Financial help in the Sixth Form**

If you think you may qualify for a financial payment, please see Mrs Livings or Mrs Booth this week for the application form. If you have received free school meals in Year 11 or your parents have an NHS Exemption certificate you will certainly be entitled to a monthly payment from school to help you. If you have received free school meals in the past please apply for them again. You can get your lunch in the Sixth Form dining room (common room). **Please see Mrs Booth if you have a query or are concerned at all.**

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### **School Nurse**

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

### **Lanyards :**

**You should all have been given your lanyards, if for some reason you didn't get yours or there is something missing from it, please let Mrs Booth know as**

**soon as possible to get a replacement.**



### **Emails**

Please keep checking your emails, these are a vital tool for helping us communicate important information to you. If you have any problems with your school email account, please go and see our ICT staff or mention it to Mrs Booth. We do not have a distribution list for Year 12 yet but once we do, a Bulletin will be emailed to you each Sunday evening.

### **SMHW**

You should all have login details for this, please see Mrs Booth if you have forgotten yours

### **Ready to learn**

Teachers will normally set you work that involves preparing for the next lesson, such as reading through the next topic and making notes on the content of the forthcoming lesson. If you fail to do this you will not be ready to learn and your

progress, given the amount of sheer content at A Level, will be seriously affected. Please be, '*Ready to Learn*'.

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**Happy Birthday this week to:**

**Will Bradley – 11<sup>th</sup> October**  
**Catherine Saunders and Niamh Smith – 12<sup>th</sup> October**

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### **Year 12s – Community Service**

This needs to be arranged as soon as possible. The easiest to arrange is helping in one of your study periods in a lesson with younger students. So see a member of staff you would like to work with and ask.



Miss Charlton always needs volunteers to help at the Tea and Toast Breakfast Club during the week, especially on Monday and Thursday mornings, from 8:15am until 8:40.

Please see Miss Charlton if you are interested in supporting her club.

Another member of staff who would appreciate your help is Miss Goulton, who would like support with the Nurture Group. Please see Miss Goulton if you are interested in supporting the Nurture group with tasks like reading.

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### **Lockers**

**If you would like a sixth form need a deposit of £5 which you the key.**



**locker please see Mrs Booth. We will get back when you return**

### **Tea and Coffee in the common room**

As the cold weather approaches you might want to take advantage of our tea and coffee facilities in the common room. Please help yourself to tea and coffee. Unfortunately school cannot afford to buy this for you so please use



the honesty box and pop in as much as you can every now and again, or maybe donate a box of tea bags, or jar of coffee. It would be great if you could offer to buy the supplies from time to time too. Please see our Head Boy or Girl about this if you want to help.

**PLEASE WASH YOUR CUPS AND KEEP THE AREA CLEAN AND TIDY**

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

Please **do not book** holidays during term time. Please talk to your parents about this. Year 12 break up for the summer on 25<sup>th</sup> July next year so please ensure your parents know this. A2 courses start as soon as AS exams are over.

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### **Year 12 and 13 Events and Information**

#### **Technology Degree Apprenticeship Programme at PWC**

[www.pwc.co.uk/careers/school-jobs/jobs/flying-start-degrees/technology.html](http://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/school-jobs/jobs/flying-start-degrees/technology.html)

#### **Variety of apprenticeships available at Archway Learning Trust/Bluecoat Academy**

<http://www.bluecoat.uk.com/page/?title=Apprenticeships%26%23160%3B%40+Archway+Learning+Trust&pid=478>

#### **School leaver jobs in Nottingham**

<http://www.e4s.co.uk/jobs/5-school-leaver-jobs-nottingham.htm>

#### **Hitachi Rail to double apprentice number in UK to maintain growing fleet**

<http://www.railway-technology.com/news/newshitachi-rail-to-double-apprentice-number-in-uk-to-maintain-growing-fleet-5916157>

## **Local Events**

**Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service** is running a number of taster sessions to give people the chance to learn more about life as a firefighter. If you think you've got what it takes, or just want to have a go, please book your place at one of the following sessions:

Saturday 14 October - Service Development Centre (Ollerton)

For further information or to apply, please visit [www.Nottinghamjobs.com](http://www.Nottinghamjobs.com) or contact Jessica at Nottingham Jobs on 0115 876 4508.

## **Newark Hospital's Open Day on Saturday 14 October 2017, 10am-2pm.**

Any students who are interested in a career in the health and social care sector please go along.

Students will be able to talk to the Human Resources Team about employment at the hospital and it will be an excellent opportunity to see behind the scenes and ask questions about the different departments.

For further information please see telephone 01636 685692 or have a look at the website [voluntaryservices.nwk@sfh-tr.nhs.uk](mailto:voluntaryservices.nwk@sfh-tr.nhs.uk)

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with medical work experience from Premed Projects



For many aspiring medical students, deciding on their GCSE and A Level subjects is the first real step towards a future career as a doctor, nurse, midwife, or dentist. However, now more than ever, outstanding grades only scratch the surface of what is required to leap over the competitive hurdle to further education at a medical school or university.

, Premed Projects is holding a one week UK hospital placement this October half term to arm students with enough medical work experience to make them stand head and shoulders above the competition...

**We hope you found last week's apprenticeship session useful Year 13. Here are some useful apprenticeship/job websites for those of you not planning on going to university.....**

### **General**

[www.getingofar.gov.uk](http://www.getingofar.gov.uk) - The National Apprenticeship Service

<https://careerfinderucas.com/newalert>

[www.ratemyapprenticeship.com](http://www.ratemyapprenticeship.com)

[www.apprenticeshipguide.co.uk](http://www.apprenticeshipguide.co.uk)

<https://gov.uk/jobsearch> - The Universal Job match Service

[www.amazingapprenticeships.com](http://www.amazingapprenticeships.com)

[www.purepotential.org](http://www.purepotential.org)

[www.thejobsfairs.co.uk](http://www.thejobsfairs.co.uk)

[www.getsmaat.com](http://www.getsmaat.com)

[www.getmyfirstjob.com](http://www.getmyfirstjob.com)

### **For sixth formers**

[www.notgoingtouni.co.uk](http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk)

[www.unisnotforme.com](http://www.unisnotforme.com)

### **CV Advice - Templates**

[www.reed.co.uk](http://www.reed.co.uk) School Leaver Template

[www.successatschool.co.uk](http://www.successatschool.co.uk) Skill Up My First CV Template

<https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk> Build a CV

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Finally a parent has sent in the following opportunity at his company

<https://www.csldual.com/uk/careers/telesales-apprentice.html>

Case study of last apprentice

<http://www.a4fs.org/case-studies/george-lloyd---csl.html>

## **YEAR 12**



Applications **now open** for **Year 12**

**students** to apply for either of the above programmes.

**Deadline 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

Fantastic opportunity to gain an insight into higher education and career opportunities in an area of interest

- 2 year outreach programme
- Subject masterclasses
- Work experience
- Support by industry professionals
- Undergraduate e-mentor
- Residential opportunity
- Free – all costs, including transport costs to events, are covered

### **More information**

[www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/pathwaystolaw](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/pathwaystolaw)

[www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/pathwaystostem](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/pathwaystostem)

**To apply** : <https://www.apply.suttontrust.com/>

**News Items of the week :** *I am sure you will all have been horrified by the mass killing last Sunday...what are your views on gun laws in America?*

## October 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 Las Vegas shooting

### 2017 Las Vegas Strip shooting

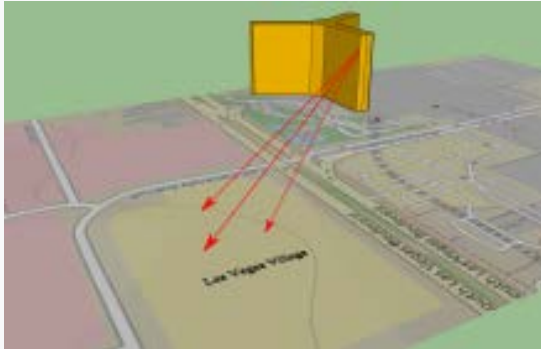


Diagram of the Mandalay Bay hotel, where the gunman fired from the 32nd floor (400 yards/365 metres away) toward Las Vegas Village.<sup>[a]</sup>

*On the night of October 1, 2017, a gunman opened fire on a large crowd of concertgoers at the Route 91 Harvest music festival on the Las Vegas Strip, killing 58 people and injuring 489. Between 10:05 and 10:15 p.m. PDT, 64-year-old Stephen Paddock of Mesquite, Nevada, fired hundreds of rifle rounds from his suite on the 32nd floor of the nearby Mandalay Bay hotel. About an hour after firing ceased, he was found dead in his hotel room from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. His motive remains unknown.*

*The incident is the deadliest mass shooting committed by an individual in the United States. The crime reignited the debate about gun laws in the U.S., with attention focused on bump firing, a technique Paddock used to allow his semi-automatic rifles to fire at a rate similar to that of a fully-automatic weapon.*

### Thought for the week:

