

# Sixth Form Bulletin

Monday 13 November – Friday 17  
December



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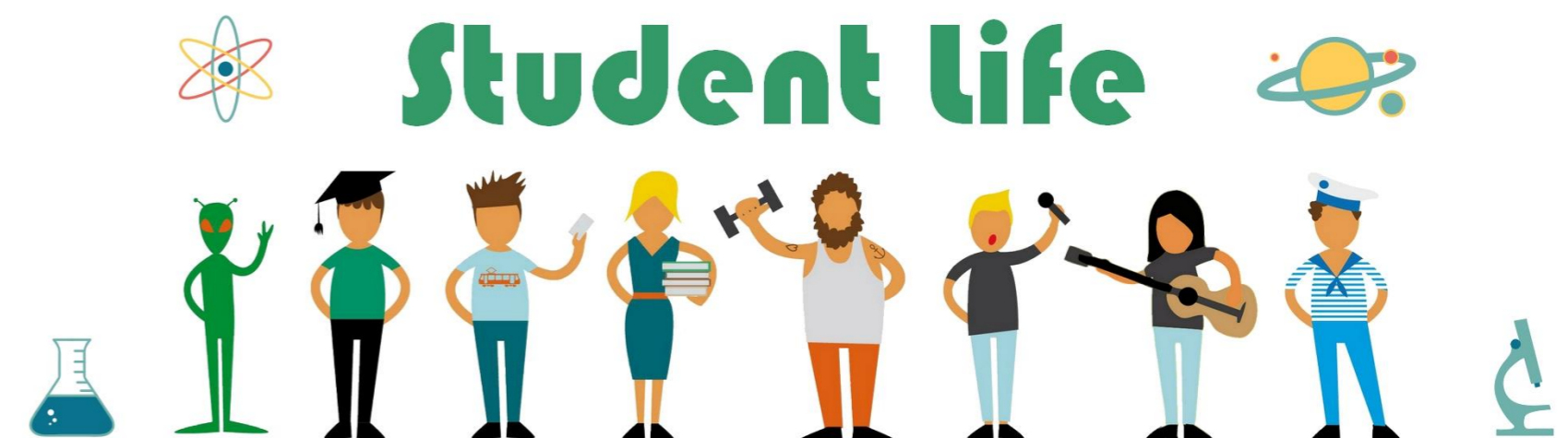
It's  
week



# Student life and success



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**Student life**



**Clean up after yourselves**  
and keep the Jo Cox Centre  
safe, pleasant and tidy for  
everyone.



# Mask protocol

Masks, or a valid exemption lanyard, must be worn in all common places at all times.



**If you don't have a mask or a valid exemption lanyard, you will be asked to leave the lesson or common area to get one.**



# KOREA CLUB

한국 클럽

celebrate Korean culture and history

learn some Korean

eat Korean food >:)

Every **Wednesday** lunch (starting  
15/12) in **P001**

Any questions:

[15LBeevers@heckgrammar.co.uk](mailto:15LBeevers@heckgrammar.co.uk)

See you there!



A historical map of a residential area, likely from the early 20th century. The map shows a grid of streets and numerous buildings. Key features include a 'Nursery' in the upper left, a 'School' in the middle left, and 'St. James's Church' in the lower left. Street names like 'Grove St', 'Francis Street', and 'Heights' are visible. Property numbers such as 152a, 160, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 176, 179, 182, and 183 are scattered throughout. A yellow rectangular overlay is positioned in the center-right of the map, containing text.

# Historical Research Society

Want to find out who were the people and stories that built and sustained our school?

Wish to refine your research skills?

Every Thursday Lunchtime in F.1.09

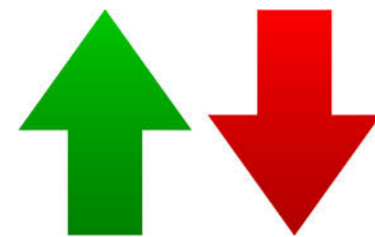
Contact [16ghall@heckgrammar.co.uk](mailto:16ghall@heckgrammar.co.uk) or see Mrs. Currie for more information

# Lees Cup update



**Priestley = 40**

**Clarke = 31**



**Bronte = 27.5**

**Houldsworth = 26.5**



The gap has narrowed...only by a bit, but it *has* narrowed. Will the hunt be on after Christmas?

# Planning to run a club or society?

Complete [this survey!](#)



Send me the details, and ideally a nice prepared PowerPoint slide, and I'll advertise in the Bulletin! **Note that adverts for clubs will last a few weeks; let me know if you would like your existing club re-advertising.**

You can [view our full extra-curricular programme here](#). There's something for everyone!





# Progression opportunities



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Have questions about your career options?  
Want to know more about jobs, apprenticeships or university?  
Need a CV or help with interview preparation?

# Call into **Careers Drop-in**

**Monday – Thursday 12:45-13:15**  
in B0:13 (the rear of Swann Hall)  
All year groups

You can email the team on

[CareersTeachers@heckgrammar.co.uk](mailto:CareersTeachers@heckgrammar.co.uk)



# Volunteering and work experience



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## Reach your potential with NHS Cadets and learn the skills you need to support vital healthcare teams across the country.

NHS Cadets is a new scheme created by St John Ambulance in partnership with the NHS, providing opportunities to explore skills, knowledge, and volunteering roles within healthcare. It is aimed at young people aged 14 to 18 who are from communities currently under-represented within the NHS and St John Ambulance.

The programme offers young people health awareness sessions, courses to develop their leadership and communication skills and an insight or experience in volunteering within the NHS.

It is a free programme, consisting of weekly, 2-hour sessions for 11 months. Cadets will be supported throughout their volunteering journey by our NHS Cadets Team.

### Who can get involved?

The initiative is seeking young people who might not have previously considered volunteering in healthcare. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Young people living with learning difficulties and / or disabilities (we will need to discuss if we have the support network to help you participate)
- Young people in the care system, or recent care leavers
- Refugees or Asylum Seekers
- Young Carers
- Homeless young people
- Those not in education, employment or training, or those with school results lower than you hoped/need
- Those living with mental health concerns (same principle as anyone with a learning difficulty or disability)
- Those who identify as being part of the LGBTQI+ community (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer intersex+)
- Those coming from low-income families /young people in receipt of free school meals
- Young people from ethnic minority communities

### How do I get involved?

New groups will be opening from January 2022, and by 2023 10,000 young people will have enrolled as NHS Cadets.

For further information about the programme, please visit [sia.org.uk/nhscadets](https://sia.org.uk/nhscadets)

or contact Sofie (Regional Programme Lead – North) on

[Sofie.Armitage@sja.org.uk](mailto:Sofie.Armitage@sja.org.uk)

Or [NHSCadets@sja.org.uk](mailto:NHSCadets@sja.org.uk).

**Click me!**

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CAREERS**



# STEM research placement

Applications are now open for the STEM **Nuffield Research Placements** which will be taking place during the summer holidays for 2-3 weeks.

These placements are free, and some students may be eligible for a £200 bursary.

Further details and eligibility criteria can be found [here](#).



# Work experience

**Speakers for Schools** offer work experience programmes with industry leading employers through insight days and 3-5 day virtual work placements.

Visit <https://www.speakersforschools.org/> to view the full range of opportunities, register and apply.



# University and apprenticeships



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# Degree apprenticeship opportunities (start 2022)

**NEW!**

**BBC**

## [Digital Marketer Degree Apprenticeship](#)

Learn first-hand how digital marketing works at a global broadcaster with diverse audiences and channels – all while working towards your Level 6 Digital Marketer Degree Apprenticeship.

There are 11 positions available, to be based in Salford or London.

[Find out more and apply »](#)



**Epix Systems**

## [Digital and Technology Solutions Degree Apprenticeship \(Programming\)](#)

Join the Epix team as a degree apprentice programmer. You will gain experience using PHP (and other languages) to build a huge and complicated database-driven application, gain expert level skills in SQL, and learn to bounce around from Javascript/HTML in the browser down to Linux server magic.

You will be based two days a week in Manchester city centre, and three days from home.

[Find out more and apply »](#)



**Unilever**

## [Laboratory Scientist Degree Apprenticeship](#)

Laboratory Science apprentices at Unilever will apply specific Chemistry knowledge and a wide scientific understanding to carry out a range of technical and scientific activities. You will help to support the development of new products.

You will be based at Port Sunlight, Wirral

[Find out more and apply >>](#)





# (Y13) Predicted grades: post-mock adjustments

- Governing principles – **aspiration** anchored in **fairness** and **evidence**.
- One prediction for each subject, derived from two grades:
  - **The original (summer) predicted grade modified by the November mock exam.**
  - **This applies only to students who have still to send their Ucas applications.**

Scenario 1: mock result is below the original predicted grade.

**The original prediction remains**

*We will not lower original predicted grades*

Scenario 2: mock exam result is equal to or higher than the original prediction

**We will raise the original prediction by 1 grade.**

*E.g. C in original prediction and C in the mock = B adjusted prediction.*

Scenario 3: mock exam result is 2+ grades higher than original prediction

**We will consult with your subject teachers.**



# Personal statement support



## Get help with your personal statement

Are you currently writing your personal statement or struggling to get started? Perhaps you have writer's block? Don't worry, our team at UCLan are here to help you with our Personal Statement Live Sessions taking place on **Thursday 16 December 6pm-7pm** and **Thursday 13 January 6pm-7pm** (both UK time).



During the session, you'll hear from our expert team, who'll share the key steps in writing a successful personal statement. You'll also have the opportunity to ask any questions relating to your own. Click below to book your place:

[Book now for Thursday 16 December](#)

[Book now for Thursday 13 January](#)



# University offers of the week



Optometry @



Film and Theatre @



Psychology @



English Language and Literature @



Physiology @



# From the University of Leeds



We are offering 40 x **Year 12 black-heritage students in the Yorkshire and Humber region** the opportunity to be **mentored** by a black-heritage student currently studying STEM subjects at the University of Leeds, doing a course that the Y12 pupil is interested in studying.

The programme runs from **March to December 2022** and includes:

Monthly 1 hour mentoring sessions from a University of Leeds student  
Careers and subject taster sessions from the University of Leeds's Educational Engagement department  
Opportunities to meet students from the University that are involved in student clubs and societies

Applications are open until **Friday 17 December**. We welcome applications from:

Year 12 pupils of African, Caribbean and mixed-black heritage interested in studying STEM subjects at University

Those studying:

A-Levels (STEM or some STEM)

A-Level/BTEC blend (STEM or some STEM)

BTEC (STEM or some STEM)

Pupils on track to achieve BBB or the equivalent grades

[APPLY NOW](#)



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# University widening participation schemes (Y13)

See the separate presentation for more detail.

# UCAS

## Newcastle PARTNERS

- Add a 'P' in the further details section on Ucas.
- [Apply online](#) after your Ucas form has been sent. Select Mr Oxby from the drop-down menu.
- **School Deadlines:** Friday 8 October (Medicine and dentistry); Friday 14 January (other courses)

## Access to Leeds

- Complete your section of the [application form](#) and e-mail to Mr Oxby.
- Once he has returned it, upload onto Leeds' web portal.
- **School deadlines:** Friday 15 October (medics and dentists), Friday 14 January (other courses)

## York Access

- Download and complete the [application form](#).
- Ask Mr Oxby to write a supporting reference.
- Return to York before or at the same time as your application is sent off. [access-scheme@york.ac.uk](mailto:access-scheme@york.ac.uk)
- **School deadlines:** Friday 15 October (medics and dentists), Friday 14 January (other courses)

**All other programmes:** All students need to let Mr Oxby know of any requirements from the school and allow at least one full school week to turn around a reference/online verification.



# Independent Learning Opportunities



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# Chemistry drop ins



If you need help or support with your Chemistry work please bring along tasks to complete and a member of the Chemistry department will be around to help!



Every **Wednesday P5 in C109**



# Women in Maths programme

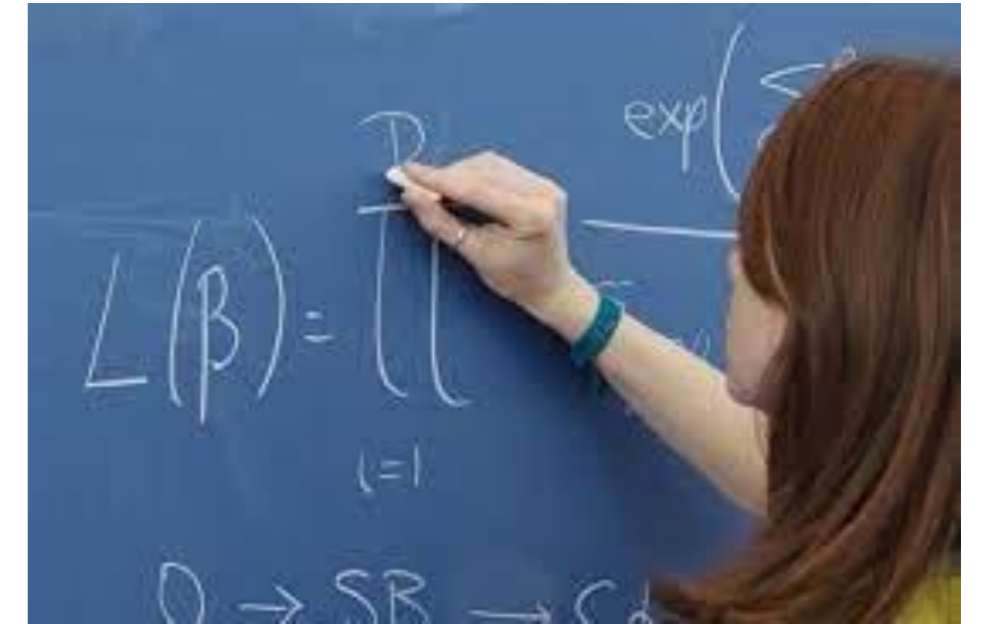


## Christ's College and Trinity College Women in Maths Programme

**Thursday 24 - Saturday 26 March**

**Deadline: 4 February**

Christ's and Trinity Colleges run an annual residential event for Year 12 (S5, Year 13 NI) girls interested in Maths and Maths-related degrees at top universities. Eligibility criteria applies.





# Competitions from the University of Cambridge



## [Robinson College New Directions Composition Competition](#)

**Various deadlines apply**

New Directions is an opportunity for budding musicians to try their hand at composing a musical piece. The competition is open to anyone 18 and under, and compositions can be from any style or genre: a song, an instrumental work, a piece on Logic – the more inventive, the better! Winning entrants for each age category will receive a prize voucher and have the chance to attend a Music workshop day at Robinson College.

## [Davidson Inventors Challenge!](#)

**Deadline for registration: 7 January**

Calling Year 11 and 12 students to register for the Davidson Inventors Challenge. Do you have students interested in tackling some of the toughest global challenges around the world? Or who want to innovate solutions to real life problems in sustainability, energy and healthcare? By teaming up with other students in their class students will learn new skills and explore the varied applications of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology.

## [50 Religious Treasures of Cambridge Film Competition](#)

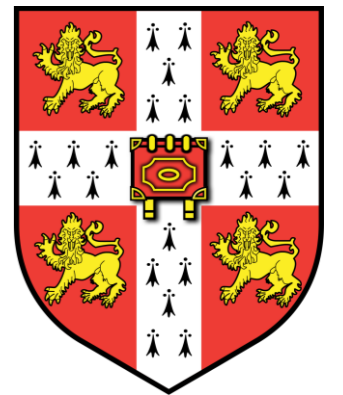
**Deadline: 1 March**

Inspire your students with a holiday project. The Faculty of Divinity film competition is now live, with students in the running for a chance to win a share of £500. Open to all UK Year 9-13 students.

## [Fitzwilliam College Essay Competitions](#)

**Deadline: 1 March**

Essay competitions in a variety of subjects for pupils in Year 12 (England and Wales), S5 (Scotland), Year 13 (Northern Ireland), or equivalent to explore their interests beyond the school curriculum. This year there will be essay competitions in Ancient World & Classics, Archaeology, Architecture Design, History, Land Economy, and Medieval World.



# Writing Wrongs

This virtual programme supports students in writing about issues that they care about, giving them the tools to improve their extended writing, as well as informing them about applying to study at **the University of Bristol**.



The programme will run in the Spring term over 4 virtual sessions and one optional on-campus session.



[Follow this link](#) for the application form for students to submit by **December 12th**. For more information please contact [arts-outreach@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:arts-outreach@bristol.ac.uk) or [visit this webpage](#).



# MOOC of the week



Online Courses / Science, Engineering & Maths



## Mysteries Of The Universe

★★★★☆ 4.4 (51 reviews)

Discover how more than ninety per cent of the universe is a mystery, and expand your knowledge of cosmology and astronomy.

Join course

1,891 enrolled on this course

Click me!



Duration  
6 weeks

Weekly study  
2 hours

100% online  
Learn at your own pace  
[How it works](#)



# EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES

We can't possibly fit every progression opportunity in this Bulletin.

What you see today is the tip of the iceberg.

Check your emails every day and look for the **EXCITING OPPORTUNITY** headline.



Outlook

Have you checked your email today?

