

Lawnswood School – Sixth Form Bulletin

w.b. Monday 16 September (Week 1)



Tuesday Period 2

Tutorial Lesson- 18.9.24 (Period 2, 9:45-10:40am)

- **Year 12** - Setting expectations & student engagement / EPQ symposium
- **Year 13** – Writing effective personal statements workshop IntoUniversity / EPQ symposium / UCAS Applications

Assembly

- Year 12 - 25.9.23 – Duke of Edinburgh Launch – Sixth Form Library - Mr Rhodes

Attendance is compulsory

Lanyards – Important

You must remember your lanyards and **wear it all the time** when you are entering and in the building. It is essential your lanyard is **visible** at all times to ensure we meet safeguarding protocols.

Year 12 Registration

Year 12 are expected in registration every day for the first three week so vital information and messages can be shared alongside student presentations

Exeats Reminder

All Year 12 and 13 students are entitled to exeats. Registration on Monday is compulsory for all students (regardless of free periods). You must attend registration if you have a lesson period 1 at LWD, the tutorial periods and assembly. Ensure you sign in and out and you have returned your signed permission slip. Exeats will be reviewed following the next data collection.

Health and Wellbeing

Health and Wellbeing sessions will run on Wednesday, week 2 during P5. The range of activities was launched on Wednesday 11 September and your timetables updated.

1:1 Personal Statements Workshop – IntoUniversity – Wednesday 25 September, 9:30-2pm

If you would like a 1:1 appointment with an expert from IntoUniversity to support you with perfecting your personal statement, please pop into the office or email Mr Curtis so he can book you an appointment slot. We have limited availability.

UCAS Support Sessions

All early applicants are expected to attend an extra lesson with me on Tuesday, Period 2 in T08 if you do not have a timetabled lesson. Non-early applicants / nearly ready to apply are very welcome. Ms Ullah

Study Sessions

All study / free sessions must be spent in the Sixth Form area unless you have agreed a time and space in classrooms with your subject teachers. There are plenty of rooms for quiet study – T06, T07, T08 and the Sixth Form Library. You can also use the space / desks in the Common Room.

School Email

You must ensure that you check your school emails regularly for Sixth Form messages and updates. Make sure your notifications are on too!!

Year 7 Open Evening – Ambassadors needed

The open evening is on Wednesday 18 September, 5-7pm. We need lots of sixth form ambassadors to help. See your form tutor or Mr Curtis / Miss Shaw for a letter. Thank you.

Early finish at 1:45pm. There will be no P5 lessons at Lawnswood.

SIXTH FORM BURSARY

You must apply / re-apply for the new academic year.

Please remember you can claim for travel costs, food in school, books and equipment, trips, university visits, UCAS costs and anything else that supports your studies and progression through the Sixth Form bursary. If you think you may be eligible, see Mr Curtis / Miss Shaw as soon as possible for an application form for 2024-25

Partnership Students

All partnership students **MUST** sign in and out when travelling between sites. You must ensure lanyards are visible when on both sites, no phones or airpods should be visible.

Partnership Bus Timetable

Monday – Thursday

	Lawnswood	Ralph Thoresby	Minibus RTS to LWD	Minibus LWD to RTS
			8:35	8:50
Lesson 1	8:50 – 9:50	9:00 - 10:00		
Lesson 2	9:50 – 10:50	10:00 - 11:00		
Break	10:50 – 11:05	11:00 – 11:20	10:55*	11:05
Lesson 3	11:10 – 12:10	11:20 – 12:20		
Lesson 4	12:10 – 13:10	12:20 – 13:20		
Lunch	13:10 – 13:45	13:20 – 14:00	13:25	13:35
Lesson 5	13:50 – 14:50	14:00 – 15:00		
End of Day			14:55*	15:00
Twilight	14:50 – 15:50	15:00 – 16:00		
			15:55*	16:00

Friday

	Lawnswood	Ralph Thoresby	Minibus RTS to LWD	Minibus LWD to RTS
			8:35	8:20
Lesson 1	8:50 – 9:50	8:30 - 9:30		
Lesson 2	9:50 – 10:50	9:30 - 10:30		
Break	10:50 – 11:05	10:30 - 10:50	10:35	10.45
Lesson 3	11:10 – 12:10	10:50 – 11:50		
Lesson 4	12:10 – 13:10	11:50 – 12:50		
Lunch	13:10 – 13:45	12:50 – 13:30	13:10	13:20
Lesson 5	13:50 – 14:50	13:30 – 14:30		
End of Day			14:40	14:50
Coaching		14:30		

KS5 Kitchenette

Students are welcome to make hot drinks in the sixth form kitchen but must clean up after themselves. In order to buy milk etc. We ask for a small contribution from students. There is a donation jar in the kitchen. If we don't collect enough donations, we will not be able to replenish tea/coffee/milk.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club for lower school is now up and running in the KS3 diner, Monday-Friday from 8.10-8.20am. If you fancy a slice of toast and helping to support younger students, your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Opportunities

Mel Beaman Student Programme

The Bank of England is launching the Mel Beaman Student Programme this term and will offer work experience to year 13 students; a 12 month mentoring programme; and the opportunity to apply for a bursary of up to £10,000. The bursary is intended to help with the cost of higher education or relocation costs if a student is planning to take up an apprenticeship. Importantly, two days of the work experience programme will be spent in our Leeds office. Full details of the Mel Beaman Student Programme are available on our website. [Mel Beaman Student](#)

Programme | Bank of England

Applications are encouraged from young people across West Yorkshire who are from lower income households. The work experience will be hybrid, comprising two days in the Bank's Leeds office and two days delivered virtually. Work experience will take place during the October half term, from Tues 28 Oct – Fri 1 Nov incl. We hope to recruit 25 Year 13 students for this pilot year. The scheme is now open for students to apply and will **close on Monday 23rd September at midday**.

University of Oxford and Cambridge

If you are considering applying to the University of Oxford or the University of Cambridge in the academic year 2024-25, it's really important that we know in order to give you the correct support. Please complete [this form](#) to let us know about your application.

- **When:** Sessions usually take place after school hours.
- **Where:** Sessions usually take place online.
- **Who:** This opportunity is open to any **IntoUniversity** students who are applying for Oxford or Cambridge in 2024/25.

If you have any questions about applications to Oxford or Cambridge, please contact Amber-Page Moss, our Oxbridge Programme Manager, at amber-page.moss@intouniversity.org.

Complete the form as soon as possible to ensure you don't miss out on support.

Intouniveristy 'Preparing for your MMI' Webinar

Are you interested in studying Medicine?

The Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) is a series of short interviews used by around 75% of Medical Schools.

Sign up for this webinar to learn:

- What is the MMI and why is it used?
- What does an MMI question look like?
- How can I prepare for the MMI?

When: Tuesday 22 October 2024, 4:30pm - 5:30pm.

Where: Online Zoom Webinar.

Who: This opportunity is open to Year 12, 13, If you have any questions, please email enrichment@intouniversity.org.

The Medic Portal

Go to The Medical Portal to learn more about applying for Medicine at University:

- Find out how competitive Medicine really is
- Understand your options
- Learn how you can apply to study Medicine
- See what is different for international students

Zoom Webinar on 'How to use my UCAT score strategically'

We will cover:

- How do universities use UCAT scores?
- Where to apply with a specific UCAT score in order to maximise my chance of an interview?

When: Thursday 26 September, 6pm.

Where: Online via Zoom webinar.

Who: This webinar is open to any students who have completed the UCAT (University Clinical Aptitude Test).

https://www.themedicportal.com/application-guide/ucas/?utm_source=THE%20MEDIC%20PORTAL%20NEWSLETTER&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=info2499&mc_cid=0bc458e1ab&mc_eid=528aa8095a

To register -

https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZwudeutqTgrG92o7HvkKNv0_om3mHbC5Kb9?mc_cid=0bc458e1ab&mc_eid=528aa8095a#/registration

IntoUniversity Student Advisory Panel

Passionate about **IntoUniversity** and the support it has given you? Why not join Student Advisory Panel!

The Student Advisory Panel (SAP) is currently made up of 8-10 sixth form students and Student Associates who meet 2-3 times per year to inform and offer opinions on the direction of the charity. As a few members of the panel have now graduated, we're able to present this opportunity to new students. This is a really exciting opportunity as it will ensure that our students are at the heart of the decisions being made by the charity.

- **When:** Attend 2-3 meetings per year and act as an ambassador at IntoUniversity events for a minimum of 1 year.
- **Where:** In-person and online.
- **Who:** This opportunity is open to any IntoUniversity students who are 16 years old or over.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdUtqTDYtTCdO5wEZH0Q6kQjOsAdB6Fjkc9mjkMexFSN-zSTw/viewform>

Big City Bright Future 2025 – Year 13

Would you like to earn £1,500 over the summer break? BCBF is a 3-week paid internship, providing you with the opportunity to work with global firms. The aim of **Big City Bright Future** is to allow students to accelerate their career pathway by providing outstanding work experience before university. The programme offers internships in the fields of Asset Management, Investment Banking, Law, Technology, Consultancy, and more. This programme is not just for students who know they want to work in these fields. We welcome all students who are motivated, would like to develop their transferable skills, and are willing to try their best and work hard.

Prepare for BCBF 2025 by attending IntoUniversity's online Prep Sessions on applications, CV writing, interview skills and networking.

- **When:** Prep sessions are taking place in November and December 2024. BCBF 2025 will take place 30th June - 18th July 2025.
- **Where:** Prep sessions will take place online. BCBF consists of a 1-week skills bootcamp in London, followed by a 2-week internship at a host firm. Travel and accommodation is provided for students living outside London.

Sign up for BCBF prep sessions before Friday 29th November 2024.

If you have any questions, please email bcbf@intouniversity.org.

<https://intouniversity.formtitan.com/BCBFprepsessions#/>

The Catalyst Education Programme (Bristol)

The programme is designed to provide you with the knowledge, understanding and networks to kickstart a career in the investment and savings industry. Students will study towards a foundation professional qualification and attend in-person workshops at an investment firm based in Bristol city centre. The programme will start in November 2024 with a launch event. Watch the [YouTube video](#) for more information about the programme, entry requirements and how to [apply](#).

- **When:** Throughout the academic year, starting in November 2024.
- **Where:** In-person and online.
- **Who:** This opportunity is open to Year 12 and 13 students who attend a Bristol state school or college.

Deadline: Apply before Friday 8th November 2024.

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=wqP73NgU3kalbkyEulPQOTuP-n4D_-dHjfdRNVGPpCdUNDVMTUYIWUowRTRISVYkxTDhHSUJVQIEyOC4u&route=shorturl

Newcastle University Partners Programme

Through the PARTNERS Programme, students get to receive a lower contextual offer to study at Newcastle University (upon completing the PARTNERS Academic Summer School), develop the skills necessary to be successful at university, meet other students, and receive support throughout the application process, on results day and after entering the university. Students experience academic sessions, learn about higher education study skills, careers and employability skills, and take part in social events.

- **When:** Throughout the academic year, with social events in June - July 2025.
- **Where:** In-person and online.
- **Who:** This opportunity is open to students in Year 13 or second year of college/sixth form.

Deadline: Register your interest as soon as possible - <https://www.ncl.ac.uk/partners/how-to-apply/>

Realising Opportunities

Realising Opportunities provides students with information and support to make informed decisions about their futures. Students could receive:

- Alternative offers from the RO Partner universities which are typically two grades lower than the standard offer.
- Experiences and support to help make informed decisions about higher education and research intensive universities.
- Skills development in planning, analysis, critical thinking, evaluation and independent research.
- Online support from university students and staff at the RO Partner universities.
- A wide range of events and activities at the RO Partner universities. Travel costs may be supported.
- Additional consideration when applying to RO Partner universities through UCAS.

Eligibility criteria applies

[Applying to RO - Realising Opportunities](#)

BHP Work experience opportunity

BHP is a chartered accountancy firm and offers a work experience programme for students in year 11 and above who may be considering a career in finance or accountancy.

The work experience academy is at their offices in Cleckheaton so students will need to be able to travel.

It takes place between Monday 28th October and Friday 1st November 2024 - 9am to 3.30pm each day

Full details including how to apply can be found by clicking on this link [BHP's 2024 Work Experience Academy - Cleckheaton - Apply Here - https://bhplp.peoplehr.net/Pages/JobBoard/Opening.aspx?v=8400f8fe-e891-4eca-a3f8-33b6de13f573](https://bhplp.peoplehr.net/Pages/JobBoard/Opening.aspx?v=8400f8fe-e891-4eca-a3f8-33b6de13f573)

Please note that in order to be considered for the Work Experience Academy students must submit a formal application by the closing date of Sunday, 29 September.

Leeds Arts University - Preparing for Arts University 18th & 25th September

A free, in-person course designed to provide practical support for students who have already begun to apply to, or who are planning to apply to either a Foundation Diploma in Art & Design or a creative arts degree at university.

The content of the course includes:

- Exploring a range of careers in the creative industries
- Information about student finance and course types
- Guidance on the application process (including UCAS)
- Support on how to write a personal statement
- Support with portfolio development and interview skills
- Student ambassador input about student life
- Individual support tailored to your needs, including the offer of a mock interview
- Information, advice and guidance links and a glossary of terms
- Opportunities to contact the programme tutors, via email, for support and feedback on any of the above and making your choices for the future

We will email you to indicate whether or not you have a place on the Preparing for Arts University course. To apply, please use the following link to complete your application by 11:59pm on Wednesday 11 September: <https://forms.office.com/e/rvwK6NzfVk>

Reach for Excellence programme –Year 12

The Reach for Excellence programme supports young people who demonstrate the potential to study at a top University. The programme lasts for two years and allows the opportunity to gain a taste of university life and develop useful skills to enable a successful transition. Applications will open on Thursday 12 September and close on Thursday 14 November at 23:59pm. RfE will be delivering a session on **Tuesday 16 October** to share the full details. See <https://studenttalentspotting.leeds.ac.uk/rfe/>

Access to Leeds –Year 13

Students meeting certain eligibility criteria who are applying for University of Leeds are encouraged to make an Access to Leeds application at the time UCAS applications are sent off. This will mean you may receive a lower grade offer. E.g. courses requiring AAB may accept BBC predictions if your access to Leeds application is successful. The application can be printed off the UoL website - http://www.leeds.ac.uk/info/130588/access_to_leeds

- Deadline – Early November 2023 for Medicine (A100) and Dental Surgery (A200) courses
- February 2024 for all other courses

Social Mobility Foundation

- We are pleased to announce that applications for the Social Mobility Foundation's free Aspiring Professionals Programme are now open for 2024! Aspiring Professionals Programme (APP)
- The APP supports high achieving Year 12 students from low income backgrounds across the UK to access top universities and careers. We offer support through our four pillars:
 1. Mentoring by a professional
 2. Tailored skills sessions and career workshops
 3. University application support and guidance
 4. Internships with top employers
- How students receive our four pillars of support is dependent on where you live. Applications for 2023 will open in September. <https://app.socialmobility.org.uk/>

Pathway to Law - Sutton Trust – Year 12

Pathways to Law is a programme that looks to inspire and support students to explore a range of careers in law and build essential knowledge, skills and confidence required to go on to higher education and the world of work. All Pathways to Law students are also offered real-life experience, with a work placement, and mentoring and networking opportunities. The programme was established in 2006 by the Sutton Trust and the Legal Education Foundation, with generous support from our partner law firms and is the largest initiative of its nature. Pathways to Law was developed to widen access to the legal profession, as research by the Sutton Trust had shown that the top echelons of the professions were drawn from a narrow range of social backgrounds. The programme aims to raise students' aspirations and allow them to make informed decision about their future career.

Please register your interest below to be notified when applications open for the 2024/2025 programme - [Register your interest for 2024/5 Sutton Trust programmes \(tfaforms.com\)](#)

For further details please see <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-law/>

Pathway to Medicine - Sutton Trust – Year 12

Pathways to Medicine was developed to widen access to the medical profession. The programme provides both academic support, so that students achieve the grades needed for highly competitive medical school places, as well as providing sector specific support – such as a work placements, mentoring, networking and skills workshops. All of which build the essential knowledge, skills and confidence required to go on to higher education and the world of work. The programme was launched in 2012 at Imperial College London and expanded to Hull York Medical School in 2015. The programme is funded by Health Education England. Research by the Sutton Trust has shown that the top echelons of the medical professions were drawn from a narrow range of social backgrounds. The programme aims to raise student's aspirations and allow them to make informed decision about their future career.

Please register your interest below to be notified when applications open for the 2024/2025 programme - [Register your interest for 2024/5 Sutton Trust programmes \(tfaforms.com\)](#)

For further details please see - <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-medicine/>

Swansea University On Campus Open Day- Saturday 19 October 9:30 – 16:00

Our University Open Days provide a great opportunity for you to explore our beautiful campuses, meet our teaching staff and get a real insight into what it's like to be a student at Swansea University. Our flexible and exciting Open Day Programme gives you plenty of chance to view our teaching facilities, accommodation options, sporting facilities and range of student support services. You can also get help and advice on student finance and financial support.

Want to get the low down on student life? Speak with one of our friendly student ambassadors who will be on hand throughout the day to answer all your questions.

For everything you need to know about our open days, visit our Open Days FAQ's.

Please refer to the FOYF dashboard for even more opportunities

<https://padlet.com/foyfpadlet/foyf-opportunities-at-lawnswood-school-dr94oh5egayxw990>

Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday 18 September – Year 7 Open Evening, 5-7pm. Early finish at 1:45pm
- Wednesday 18 September - Year 13 EPQ symposium, P3 and 5:30-6:30pm
- Wednesday 25 September - Year 12 Welcome Evening, 4:30-5:30
- Friday 27 September – Deadline for Year 12 course changes.

REMINDERS

- **Hot drinks** are not permitted beyond the third floor.
- There should be no **eating** and **drinking** on the corridors.
- **Bins are provided for your rubbish in the Common Room – USE THEM**
- **Mobile Phones, airpods** and **headphones** should only be used on the third floor.
- **Lanyards must be worn at all times by all students.** If you have been using a temporary lanyard this must be returned at the end of the day to student reception. If you have lost your original lanyard please bring £2 to the sixth form office to order a replacement.
- Punctual attendance to ALL lessons is essential.
- Appropriate dress is expected from sixth formers at all times i.e. no shorts, hats (in lessons), onesies, revealing clothing. Please remember you are setting an example to our younger students.