

Lawnswood School – Sixth Form Bulletin

w.b. Monday 27 January (Week 1)



Wednesday, period 3

Tutorial Lesson - 29.1.25 (Period 3, 11:10-12:10pm)

- **Year 12** – Year 12 Target Setting – Ms Nicholson / Feeling good; Being Me, Organisation and Action Plan – Tutor Rooms

- **Year 13** – Student Finance – James Kennedy (F09) / IntoUniversity (F70)

Assembly

- Year 12 – 5.2.25 – Sixth Form Library

Attendance is compulsory

UCAS

Congratulations and well done to all students who have completed and sent off their UCAS applications. We wish you lots of luck and hope you start/continue to receive your offers soon.

Accepting offers You don't need to worry about this for now. There will be a presentation around accepting offers and results day on **19 March**.

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

- **Friday 31 January 2024** Dental Hygiene and Therapy (A900) and Diagnostic Radiography (B821), Audiology (B61A), Cardiac Physiology (B810), Sonography (B825)
- **12 February 2025** for all other courses

Paired Reading

Paired Reading will run every Friday registration. Thank you for meeting the year 7 students last week.

- 12MTA - Main School Library
- 12DBO - S41
- 12CSE - F59

Study Programme update

- **Progression Module** – P2 in F03. You should be working on the written component Unit 2: Managing your money. The template can be found in the Unit 2 booklet.
- **EPQ** – P2 in S23
- **Brilliant Club** – Next session is Tuesday 4 February P2 in T06

Lawnswood Year 13 PCE - Wednesday 29 January, 3:30-7pm

The booking systems is now open, and we expect all students to attend. We look forward to seeing you at the event.

Opportunities

Durham University Supported Progression 2025

Supported Progression is a programme for Year 12 students living in the North- East of England. They'll experience what it's like to be an undergraduate student here at Durham on a five-day summer school and will receive online information throughout Years 12 and 13. Want to find out more? Attend one of our online information events in February to learn about the programme, entry criteria, and application process

Our Supported Progression summer school runs from Monday 28 July 2025 to Friday 1 August 2025. Students will also attend online events in the run-up to the summer school.

During the summer school, they'll experience student life by staying in one of our 17 colleges, taking part in academic taster sessions, exploring various extra-curricular activities and meeting current Durham students.

If they successfully finish the programme, they'll receive a [guaranteed alternative offer](#) from Durham if they apply in Year 13. Applications are open until **Thursday 20 March 2025 at 11:59pm (GMT)**.

Students apply through our online application form. For more information on the programme and to check out our entry criteria visit [Supported Progression](#).

Dental Summer Schools 2025

The Dental Schools Council, with funding from NHS England, are offering Year 11 and Year 12 students the opportunity to attend a summer school to understand what it is like to study dentistry.

The summer schools are aimed at students from under-represented backgrounds who attend a state school or college. **Eligibility criteria:**

- Eligibility criteria for the summer schools includes that the student is:
- From a widening participation background and
- Academically:
- Has an interest in STEM subjects and are, or are considering, studying science in their post-16 studies and medicine post-18
- Has predicted A-level grades ABB (or equivalent) and
- Has predicted GCSE grades B or above in English and Mathematics (or equivalent)

What will students experience at a summer school?

Students will:

- Get an understanding of what it is like to study dentistry, including the different teaching methods that are used. This aims to help them consider which dental school they might want to apply to.
- Get an understanding of what the values and behaviours of dental students and dentists are.
- Get an overview of the range of dental careers available. This includes:
- Other healthcare options
- Healthcare options that are non-patient focused
- Specialities where there are shortages.
- Engage in activities designed to build their confidence and network with others. This includes meeting academics and university students.
- Have opportunities to discuss their options and seek advice, including:
- Receiving support regarding applications and admissions such as advice on preparing for interviews and admissions tests.
- Take part in social activities so they can build their own community and network.

The deadline to apply for Dental Schools Council Summer Schools is 9 February 2025.

https://studyinghealthcare.ac.uk/why-dentistry/dental-summer-schools/?utm_medium=email&_hsenc=p2ANqtz--0rwBLYmvpwpiRW9rcuEuBmlcOUGvYG4DdiCXH_sqI7KhLZD7uGRJodL_ugledFDP2UeeKKh8mv-wouGbinVn5vtmMEzSNcX9dI_1kPG-dp8qDWqus&_hsmi=102990675&utm_content=102990675&utm_source=hs_email

Cambridge University Engineering Society Access Week - 17 - 21 February 2025

Access Week is a unique opportunity tailored for students from underrepresented backgrounds who are interested in pursuing Engineering at Cambridge, applying in October 2025 and October 2026 cycles. Our aim is to dispel some of the myths surrounding studying Engineering at Cambridge and help prospective students learn more about the application process. Throughout the week, we have planned a variety of sessions:

- Question form - for all potential applicants to ask questions which will be answered by current Cambridge engineering students.
- Guidance on general admission walkthrough - including reformed personal statement, college selections, admission test (ESAT) and interview preparation through articles.
- A live webinar will be held for applicants to raise questions.
- Articles about Cambridge Engineering course structures. -Introduction to Cambridge Engineering specialisations. To participate in Access Week, interested students can fill out our signup form using the following link: <https://forms.gle/fbVbPN6g8zkcBkMJ7>

We will stop accepting responses on Friday 7 February 2025..

We will send you the form for sending questions in, guidance articles on applications, answers to general questions, and Zoom link for webinars during Access Week via email on Monday 10 February 2025.

Physics and Astronomy Year 12 Work Experience Week

Date: July 14-18, 2025, Time: 10am to 4pm each day, Location: University of Leeds

Applications are now open for Year 12s to learn what it's like to work in an academic, research-based university through a series of workshops, lab sessions and a project where they will be working alongside other pupils with similar interests in physics and astronomy. This is their chance to explore fascinating physics topics, meet world-leading experts and get a taste of what life as a researcher is like. The Work Experience Week is open to students currently in Year 12 and studying both Physics at A-level. [Work Experience - STEM Outreach Team](#)

Addleshaw Goddard Legal access week programme application now open

Addleshaw Goddard will be running a virtual insight programme for 16-18-year-olds interested in learning more about careers in the legal sector from 17-21 February. The programme is aimed at social mobility students and will include sessions on routes into the profession, 'day in the lives of', interview technique, and the opportunity to participate in a mock interview. The application form with more details and eligibility criteria is [here](#). The deadline to apply is midnight on Monday 20th January.

What is legal access week?

A virtual programme to gain insight into the legal sector and different careers available at Addleshaw Goddard.

- Learn more about the different routes into the legal profession and the experiences of working for an international law firm.
- Skills-based workshops on enhancing your CV, preparing for interviews and developing your communication skills.
- The opportunity to ask questions to and network with Trainees Solicitors, Apprentices, and Partners at Addleshaw Goddard.

The programme will be hosted on Microsoft Teams 17 to 21 February 2025, 10:00-12:30 each day.

How do I apply?

- Please register as a new user and submit your application by the deadline below
- Each of the questions has a 1000 character limit as standard

Competition is high so we would recommend taking care with your application and writing 1-2 paragraphs for the 'About You' questions. Please ensure you have proof read your answers before submitting.

Apply now - [AG | Careers](#)

The Sutton Trust - Applications to our Summer Schools programmes for 2025 are now open

The Sutton Trust Summer School Programme offers school-age students the opportunity to immerse themselves in university life. Students will walk away with the confidence and skills needed to choose where to apply and what to study, be competitive applicants wherever that is, and find support with a network of like-minded peers.

Students will apply to one of our 13 top-tier UK university partners where they will take part in:

- Social activities
- Taster academic sessions
- Application skills workshops
- Alongside the in-person programme, every student will have access to long-term support with university applications via our online portal STO.

<https://summerschools.suttontrust.com/>

Applications to Newcastle University Dental Sciences Summer School are now open!

What is the Summer School?

The residential Summer School is for year 12 students who meet certain eligibility criteria and are interested in studying Dentistry. It will take place on our campus in Newcastle and will run from Tuesday 15th-Friday 18 July 2025. Summer School students will have the opportunity to experience life as Dental student at Newcastle, attending application workshops, taster lectures and clinical sessions in our School of Dental Sciences, which is one of the most modern and best equipped in the UK. Students will take part in a group project, working with local community groups, as well hearing from dentists and current students, and find out about careers in dentistry. Summer School students will also take part in social activities and stay in our halls of residence, right on campus. Costs including travel, accommodation, food and activities are covered which means it is free of charge for students to attend (please note that travel expenses may be capped, which would be discussed with individuals where relevant). **How can students apply?** The closing date to apply is 9 February 2025. To find out more, including eligibility criteria, and to apply online please see

https://studyinghealthcare.ac.uk/why-dentistry/dental-summer-schools/?utm_source=host&utm_medium=newcastle

Leeds Futures - Applications close 2 February 2025

This is a reminder that applications are open until Sunday 2 February for our Leeds Futures outreach programmes and would be grateful if you could signpost your year 12s to this opportunity.

Leeds Futures run a range of Leeds Futures programmes in Arts and Humanities, Environment, Social Sciences, STEM and Health Sciences (please note the deadline to apply for Health Sciences has now passed). Full details can be found on the [Leeds Futures website](#)

Leeds Futures is free of charge and priority is given to applicants who meet certain widening participation criteria. The programme provides students with the opportunity to learn more about a subject area they are interested in pursuing at university, whilst developing their study skills and careers awareness. Students attend a variety of subject-related activities alongside receiving advice and guidance on practical matters such as UCAS applications, accommodation choices and student finance.

Swansea University- Our Masterclass Webinars are Back for the Spring Term!

Our Spring Term Masterclass Series, will be taking place between 10-13 February, 18:00 - 19:00.

Our free masterclass webinars are delivered on current topics by lecturers who are experts in their fields. They give your students an idea of the topical developments taking place within subjects they may be interested in studying and can help to support course choice. Our registration page is live, featuring 10 subject sessions including:-

- Accounting and Finance
- Engineering (Civil and Mechanical)
- Healthcare
- Law
- Biosciences and Biomedical Sciences
- Psychology and more...

https://www.swansea.ac.uk/study/webinar-series/masterclass-series-registration/?utm_source=sprintprojectcentral&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ugsro2025&utm_content=springnewsletter25_masterclasses

2025 Open Days

Our next on-campus events are [Saturday 15 February and Saturday 22 March](#).

These open days are great for both early researchers in year 12 and year 13 students who have submitted their UCAS application but haven't had chance to visit us yet or are questioning their choices on their application form.

Your students will have the opportunity to:-

- Find out about more about courses
- Speak to staff and current students studying their chosen subjects
- Take a campus tour of our fantastic campus and department facilities
- Please encourage your students to attend open days by booking via our website.

https://www.swansea.ac.uk/open-days/?utm_source=sprintprojectcentral&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ugsro2025&utm_content=springnewsletter25_opendays

Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair

Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair returns to first direct arena Leeds on **Wednesday 12 February 2025**.

Free tickets are available to book anytime between 1pm-7pm. You'll have the chance to talk to major employers from a wide range of sectors, including accounting, business and administration, catering and hospitality, construction, creative design, care services, digital, education, engineering, finance, hair and beauty, health, law, protective services and many more. Over 100 exhibitors will be there on the day offering information, advice, guidance and live vacancies. You'll have the opportunity to find out about apprenticeships, including what they involve and how they work, as well as higher and degree apprenticeships. If you have any questions, please email esemployers@leeds.gov.uk

<https://www.universe.com/events/leeds-apprenticeship-recruitment-fair-2025-tickets-2QBJYG>

List of Degree and Higher Apprenticeships – Year 13

The link below takes you to a list of companies who are offering apprenticeships up and down the country and when the deadline date is etc. This is an amazing link to many different apprenticeship opportunities.

<https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/Higher-and-Degree-Vacancy-Listing-for-October-2024.pdf>

Please refer to the FOYF dashboard for even more opportunities

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

Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday 29 January – LWD Year 13 PCE, 3:30-7pm
- W/C 27 January KS5 Commitment Fortnight
- Wednesday 5 February – EPQ Conference – University of Leeds
- Friday 10 February – Deadline for Year 12 Target Setting Sheet
- Wednesday 12 February – Become a Forensic Psychology – Year 13, 9:30-10:30 – F08. If you are not a Year 13 Psychology student but interested in the talk, please see Mrs Hammond / Ms Ullah asap.
- Wednesday 12 February – Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair, First Direct Arena - 1-7pm

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.