

Lawnswood School – Sixth Form Bulletin

w.b Monday 28 April (Week 1)



Wednesday, Period 3

Tutorial Lesson – 30.4.25 (Period 3, 11:10-12:10pm)

Year 12 – 180 Lawnswood Celebration – Tutor Rooms

Year 13 – 180 Lawnswood Celebration – Tutor Rooms

Assembly

- Year 12 – 7.5.25 – Launch of the Student Committee – Ms Nicholson – Sixth Form Library

Attendance is compulsory

UCAS - responding to offers

Students who missed the session from the University of Bradford can get advice from the UCAS website or speak to Ms Ullah if you are concerned about the process. The main points to note are:

It is highly advisable to wait for ALL your offers before taking any action so you can consider your response carefully.

- You are required to make one FIRM choice – this will be your most favoured university with achievable entry requirements
- you must then make your INSURANCE choice – be careful to make sure that this has a lower entry requirement to your first choice and that you are prepared to go there. NB On results day, if you don't meet the entry requirements for your first choice, the insurance choice will become your firm offer and you will be expected to take this up.
- Finally, you will need to decline any other offers.

Reply dates - These are based on when we get the last decision in from your unis or colleges. Check your application to see your personal deadline.

- If you receive your last decision on or before 14 May 2025, your reply date is 5 June 2025 (except if you're using Extra to find a place).
- If you receive your last decision on or before 17 July 2025, your reply date is 23 July 2024 (including Extra choices).

Year 13 For those who have applied for deferred entry already ONLY 2026 entry applications - These dates are slightly different

- If you receive your last decision on or before 31 March 2026, your reply date is 6 May 2026 (except if you're using Extra to find a place).
- If you receive your last decision on or before 13 May 2026, your reply date is 3 June 2026 (except if you're using Extra to find a place).
- If you receive your last decision on or before 15 July 2026, your reply date is 22 July 2026 (including Extra choices).

<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/after-you-apply/types-offer/replying-your-ucas-undergraduate-offers>

University of Leeds Means -Tested Scholarships 2025

Any students applying to the University of Leeds, with a household income level of less than 42,875 GBP, may be **eligible to apply** for a means-tested undergraduate scholarship (worth up to 3,000 GBP a year).

The scholarships are non-repayable and in addition to the financial support they can receive from the [government](#) (ie tuition fee loan or maintenance loan). The scholarships are available thanks to the generous support from alumni and other organisations. To apply students must submit a fully completed [application form](#) by **12pm on Monday 2 June 2025**. Applicants can contact the Scholarships Team on the contact details below with any questions about their application. The UK Undergraduate Scholarships Team, University of Leeds, 0113 343 2007 - Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm. For an application form and further details see - [Scholarships | personal circumstances | University of Leeds](#)
<https://www.leeds.ac.uk/undergraduate-funding-university/doc/personal-circumstances-scholarships>

Paired Reading

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

- I2MTA - Main School Library
- I2DBO - S41
- I2CSE – F59
- I3NLE & I3DHA - S05

Study Programme update

- **Progression Module – P2** in F03. You should have submitted all of Unit 3. You should now be working on Unit 4: Marketing Yourself.
- **EPQ – P2** in F03 – Critically analyse sources.
- **Brilliant Club** – Individual results and feedback for assignments. **Apologies Kate cannot deliver the 1:1 tutorial on 29 April. New date and times for tutorial TBC.**

Year 13 Leavers Assembly

This will take place on Friday 23 May, during lunch and Period 5.

Year 13 Leavers Event

The date for the event has been agreed for **Friday 20 June**. Whilst this isn't a formal event, I am sure you need to start thinking about your outfits. The full details including the cost and venue etc will be shared by the committee very soon. Thank you to the committee for organising this event. We are looking forward to it!!

Into University HE Trip – University of Manchester – Friday 9 May

IntoUniversity and the University of Manchester are providing us with a wonderful 'Day of University Life' on Friday 9 May. The trip will include a tour of Manchester University, an opportunity to meet university ambassadors, a personal statement workshop and activities to explore university life and learning. We will be travelling by coach. The trip is free of charge to all student with 50 spaces available. The priority students will be IntoUniversity candidates, Brilliant Club and EPQ students as long as consent form are completed by the deadline. Remaining spaces will be offered to students who complete the consent forms on a first come, first serve basis. This will be a very tight turn around with a deadline of Friday 2 May. We expect consent forms via Evolve+ to be sent out in the next couple of days. Any questions, please ask.

Alton Towers – Community Trip – Wednesday 16 July 2025.

The deadline to complete the consent form and make your payment via Evolve+ by Friday 16 May.

Sixth Form Leadership Recruitment – Year 12

It's that time of year when we must start thinking about our Year 13's leaving and Year 12 students taking on the roles and responsibilities of the Student Committee. On Wednesday 7 May, we will be launching The Sixth Form Leadership roles including Head Student and Committee roles. If you are interested in applying, please start thinking about your applications and speak to the current members of the team about their roles. **The deadline for applications will be Wednesday 21 May with interviews after the half term.** Full details of these exciting roles will be shared during the assembly on Wednesday 7 May.

School website: Exams

There is a lot of information on our website, including key dates and information all candidates need to be aware of before sitting their exams, as well as post-results documents.

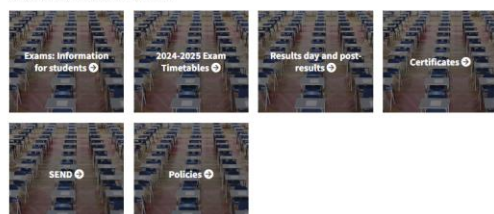
Please ensure you look at the website carefully, so you are fully informed of the key dates and information

<https://www.lawnswoodschool.co.uk/for-parents-and-carers/exams/>

Key exam dates 2024-2025

September 2024	Year 7 Reading Tests and CATs
November 2024	GCSE External Exams in Maths and English Language (Tuesday 5 November – Monday 11 November) MFL Spelling exams
December 2024	Y11 and Y12 Mock exams (Monday 2 December – Friday 6 December) Y11 A1 Practical Mock exams (Tuesday 10 December)
January 2025	Y7 to Y10 Reading tests January 25 Season External exams (Monday 6 January – Friday 17 January) Y12 Exams in class (Monday 6 January – Friday 10 January) November exam result results (Thursday 9 January)
February 2025	Y11 Food Preparation and Nutrition Practical External exams (Tuesday 4 February – Wednesday 5 February) Y11 Core Mock exams (Monday 24 February – Friday 28 February) January exam results (Thursday 26 January)
March 2025	Y11 A1 Practical external exams (TBC)
April 2025	External MFL and Home Language speaking tests (TBC)
May 2025	Summer 25 Season External exams (all month)
June 2025	Summer 25 Season External exams (until 20 June – Wednesday 25 June: Exam Contingency day) Y10 and Y12 Mock exams (Thursday 26 June – Friday 27 June) Y12 Reading tests
July 2025	Y10 MFL Spelling tests
August 2025	GCSE Results day (Thursday 24 August 8:00am-11am) GCSE Results day (Thursday 25 August 9am-12pm)

Please note that there will be ongoing assessments throughout the year, that are not listed here. Students are expected to attend school during term time and be present for all exams



Opportunities

University of Bradford Open Day

Saturday 21 June, Timings TBC

Our Open Days are suitable for anyone thinking of starting university in September 2025/2026. There are talks and tours for all subject areas plus campus and accommodation tours throughout the day. Our support services and Outreach & Recruitment Team will be on hand to answer questions.

You can book your place at any of the Undergraduate Open Days [HERE](#).

ECGs: exploring the human heart - Clinical Sciences Springpod Spotlight

Discover the world of cardiology with Dr. Matt Hardy in this fascinating subject spotlight. Learn how to interpret ECGs, understand the cardiac cycle, and explore the real-life implications of cardiac incidents, using a prominent footballer's experience as a case study. Click [here](#) to view the trailer for a sneak peek at the Spotlight.

Why not head on over to Springpod's website so you can watch all the episodes now - [Clinical Sciences University Taster | Springpod | Springpod](#)

Summer School Launch – Year 12 Residentials Summer School – Selwyn College

Each of our summer schools is a two-night residential course, with all food and accommodation included free of cost to participants. Travel bursaries will also be available. You are able to choose from the following three subject streams:

Physical Natural Sciences (Monday 30 June – Wednesday 2 July)

Most Cambridge first-year Natural Sciences (Physical) students are taking the physics and/or chemistry options – they know more-or-less what to expect at university because they attained qualifications in those sciences in the last few years of school. A 'true' natural scientist may be more interested in, or might at least wish to gain proficiency in, other areas like materials science and earth sciences. How can you get hands-on experience in other branches of the physical sciences when there's no school qualification? Come and attend this summer school: there'll be demonstration lectures in these areas of science, as well as in the mathematics that underpins the natural sciences, and plenty of opportunity to find out about university-level physics and chemistry as well

Languages and Cultures (Wednesday 2 July – Friday 4 July)

*Please note that you do **not** need to be taking an A-level language in order to apply for this course.*

Are you interested in film, literature, history, or language? Would you like to explore these themes across different contexts and gain insights into other cultures along the way? If so, then please apply to join us at our Languages and Cultures summer school. There are a number of different options at Cambridge for studying one or more modern languages while pursuing interests in different aspects of the humanities: we offer degrees in Modern and Medieval Languages, History and Modern Languages, Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, and Linguistics to name a few. For some of these pathways, no prior experience of formal language study is required. The aim of this residential is to give you the chance, whether you have studied languages before or not, to explore these different options through a series of taster sessions delivered by academic experts. You'll have the chance to read texts, watch films, solve linguistic puzzles, find out about unfamiliar historical periods, and think about the politics and mechanics of translation. Fluency in foreign languages and an understanding of foreign cultures, as well as analytical and research skills, are all in great demand on the job market, so why not come and see what doors might open for you?

Unearthing the Past (Tuesday 8 July - Thursday 10 July)

Do you love both history and science? Are you curious about how people lived thousands of years ago? Do you want to learn how we can piece together clues from the past? This summer school might be just the thing for you. Run in association with Newnham College and colleagues from the Department of Archaeology and the Cambridge Archaeological Unit, this summer school at Selwyn will introduce you to the possibilities that an Archaeology degree can open up for your university studies and future career. If you're interested in human evolution and biology, ancient cultures and languages, or how heritage affects identity and politics today, you'll find something of interest. There'll be the chance to get hands-on with artefacts as well as listening to lectures, visiting an archaeological unit, and exploring museums. You'll meet lecturers in Archaeology and Biological Anthropology and will hear from the Director of the Cambridge Archaeological Unit, who is himself a graduate of Selwyn. Whether or not you've thought about an Archaeology degree before and whichever A-level subjects you're taking, if you'd like to explore themes and methods at the intersection of history and science and to gain some valuable new experiences then please do apply to join us.

See eligibility criteria and how to apply here - <https://www.sel.cam.ac.uk/joining-selwyn/undergraduates/access-and-outreach/summer-events>

Applications close on Wednesday 30 April at 17:00. We will be in contact with all applicants, whether successful or otherwise, in the week beginning Monday 19 May. If you have any questions regarding the summer schools or your eligibility, or require the application form in another format, please email [**schools-liaison@sel.cam.ac.uk**](mailto:schools-liaison@sel.cam.ac.uk).

Discover Bath University – Year 12

- **What:** A free summer programme which aims to give prospective students a taste of first-year life and study at the University of Bath, including a programme of academic sessions and fun social activities. On-campus accommodation and meals will be provided. Travel costs can be reimbursed.
- **When:** 2 overnight stays in August 2025 (specific dates depend on your chosen subject).
- **Where:** In-person at the University of Bath.

Please note: This opportunity is **not** organised by **IntoUniversity**. **IntoUniversity** staff will **not** be present at the opportunity. [Sign up here](#)

University of York- Interview Support – Year 12

- **What:** This online course is a brilliant free resource for Year 12/13 students who might be interested in learning more about university interviews.
- **When:** This self-guided online course is free to access now.

Please note: This opportunity is not organised by **IntoUniversity**. **IntoUniversity** staff will not be present at the opportunity. [Sign up here](#)

Improve Equity in University Access Paid Study – Year 12 and 13

- **What:** Participate in research to enhance equity in access to higher education, and gain vital insights to close the gender gap in STEM fields.
- **1 hour in-person workshop:** On university application processes, personal statement tips, and navigating university life.
- **One-on-one mentoring from current university students:** Participating students will be matched with 2 university student mentors from universities of their choice.
- **Up to £75 reimbursement for travel costs to visit a university.**

Please note: This opportunity is **not** organised by **IntoUniversity**. **IntoUniversity** staff will **not** be present at the opportunity. [Year 12 sign up here](#) [Year 13 sign up here](#)

PHD Spotlight Session – Year 12 and 13

Apply for our spotlight session with Jon Kershaw, the Managing Director of the global Media Agency, PHD. PHD was founded in London in 1990, the first media agency to offer strategic and creative planning, creating campaigns that helps brands move beyond incremental improvements and leap ahead of their competitors. During this session, you can learn about Media Advertisement, careers in this sector, hear from an industry professional, complete a group activity and participate in a Q&A session.

- **When:** Thursday 15 May 2025, 4:30pm - 6pm, **Where:** Online via Zoom.
- **Deadline to apply:** Wednesday 7 May 2025. [Sign up here](#)

UCL Engineering Degree Foundation Year Q & A

Do you want help figuring out your eligibility or deciding whether a foundation year could be right for you? Maybe you have questions about progressing to your chosen degree programme, making a good application, timelines or fees and funding. Or, perhaps about how you will be prepared for undergraduate study at UCL. In this session, programme director James Ford will be available to answer your questions (including anonymous questions).

[Sign up here](#)

Get Career Ready – Northumbria University

Did you know? Northumbria is top 30 in the UK for graduates in highly skilled employment*. We're here to help you land your dream job!

Whether you have already set your career goals or are still deciding, we're here to help you build skills, gain experience, and grow your industry network. With plenty of opportunities to go abroad or work while you're studying, you can boost your employability in many different ways and make sure you stand out on the job market. Looking for career inspiration? We've gathered some inspirational stories from members of our extensive **global alumni community**. Have a look at their profiles to find out more about how their time at Northumbria has shaped their lives and careers.

You can also use our **LinkedIn Alumni Tool** to explore where Northumbria graduates within your subject area are working, or take the **Prospects Quiz** and get matched to jobs that suit you best.

Watch the video below to learn more about placements, study abroad, and how our Graduate Futures team can help you unlock your career path. <https://vimeo.com/881699109>

If you have any questions then please **get in touch via email** or speak to us via **Live Chat**

UCL Personal Statement Workshops 24 and 26 June

Applications for our 2025 Personal Statement Workshops are now open.

Personal statements are an important aspect of the UCAS application process. Writing a personal statement is your chance to show your enthusiasm for studying a subject and give admissions tutors a sense of who you are as an individual. To support with your applications, we will be running two online separate workshops for Year 12 students in June 2025. These sessions will give you an opportunity to understand how to structure and write your personal statement. We will cover the changes to the personal statement for 2026 entry. You will also receive guidance from current UCL students who have been through the application process.

Dates and Times:

- Tuesday 24 June 2025, 4-5 pm (online)
- Thursday 26 June 2025, 4-5 pm (online)

Eligibility: Personal Statement Workshops are open to students who are currently in Year 12 and are studying at a state school or college in the UK.

For our personal statement sessions, all eligible applicants who meet at least one of the shortlisting criteria specified in points 2 to 6 on the [Who we work with](#) webpage will be offered a place on this programme.

https://qualtrics.ucl.ac.uk/jfe/form/SV_3Lbd6YU2I9VMtEy

Become a Nurse Day - Thursday 5 June - 9.30am-2.15pm - Level 3 students

Join us for an interactive and adrenaline-pumping university event where you will experience the fast-paced world of nursing! This event will put your problem-solving skills to the test.

- Step into the fast-paced world of nursing and put your critical thinking skills to the test in this hands-on, immersive experience. This event will put you in real-life healthcare scenarios where quick thinking and teamwork are essential.
- Emergency Room Rush: Our hospital is short on staff—can you step up and handle urgent patient care situations?
- Mental Health Nursing Challenge: Spot what's going wrong and support our team in making the right decisions.
- Virtual Escape Room – Nursing Edition: Work against the clock to solve complex nursing scenarios and escape in time!
- Anatomy Wheel of Fortune: Put your knowledge of the human body to the test!
- This is your chance to experience the challenges and rewards of nursing firsthand. Can you think fast, stay calm under pressure, and provide the best patient care? Join us and find out!

<https://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/schoolsandcolleges/contact-us/>

Aspiring Allies - Allied Health Professional Virtual Work Experience – Year 12 and 13

Event Date/Time: 23rd April 2025 @ 17:00 - 11 June 2025 at 17:00

Event Type: Work Experience/Work Shadowing, **Location of Event:** Online via MSTeams

Itinerary of Event:

Subject: Are you interested in a career in healthcare and want to find out more?

Are you unsure about which career path to choose? Want to work in healthcare but not sure which profession suits you? Curious about what an allied health professional (AHPs) does daily? Struggling to find work experience? What's Involved?

• The Aspiring Allies Virtual Work Experience offers an engaging virtual opportunity to explore careers as an allied health professional (AHP). Available programmes include AHPs (14 different professions), occupational therapists, physiotherapists and dietitians.

How Does It Work?

- Flexible and Accessible: Complete the program through self-directed modules available on your phone, tablet, laptop, or computer.
- Free and Convenient: Access it anywhere, anytime—it's completely free.
- Structured Learning: The program includes six modules, each taking about an hour. Additionally, participate in live launch events and Q&A sessions with current AHPs.

Why Should You Complete This Program?

- Boost Your CV: Receive a certificate upon completion, enhancing your CV and making a strong impression in interviews and personal statements.
- Learn at Your Own Pace: Enjoy flexible learning that fits your schedule.
- Gain Valuable Experience: Expand your knowledge and gain practical insights—a great alternative to in-person experience.

Please see Mr Curtis if you are interested.

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>

Unifrog Apprenticeship Tool

[Start - Apprenticeships - Student - Unifrog](#)

Please refer to the FOYF dashboard for even more opportunities

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

Upcoming Events:

- **Wednesday 30 April** – Lawnswood Year 12 Parents' Consultation Evening
- **Monday 5 May** - Bank Holiday
- **Wednesday 7 May** - Launch of the Student Committee
- **Friday 9 May** – Intouniversity Trip to University of Manchester
- **Thursday 15 May** – WEX placement approved and signed off
- **Friday 23 May** – Year 13 Leavers assembly
- **Friday 20 June** – Year 13 Leavers Event

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.