

# Lawnswood School – Sixth Form Bulletin

w.b Monday 19 May (Week 2)



## Assembly

- Year 12 – 21.5.25 – No Assembly – Exams

## Wednesday, Period 3

Tutorial Lesson – 4.6.25 (Period 3, 11:10-12:10pm)

Year 12 – UCAS applications - Getting Post 18 Ready. Deadline for personal statement (first draft) - Tutor Rooms

Year 13 – Retrieval and Organisation – Tutor Rooms

**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>

## Study Programme update

- **Progression Module** – P1 in F03. You should have submitted all of Unit 3. You should now be working on Unit 4: Marketing Yourself. Your 1 to 1 interview with a student ambassador will take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May. This is required to pass the Progression Module.
- **EPQ** – P1 in S24 working towards Mid-Project Review due Tuesday 20 May. Please make sure you arrange an appointment with your Supervisor before then.

## **Health and Wellbeing**

Meet promptly at 1:50pm in the Sports Hall (Physical activity) or G40 (Wellbeing activities).

Please ensure you are dressed appropriately for your activity.

Year 13 you are very welcome to participate.

## **Paired Reading**

Thank you for all your hard work and engagement with the paired reading programme. We are now analysing the data to check the progress students have made to share the feedback with you during our celebration assembly. Well done all!!

## **Early Applicants UCAS 2026**

The University of Leeds will be delivering a UCAT workshop on **Wednesday 11 June at 2-3:30pm**. You must ensure you attend the session. Any students that require the UCAT and cannot attend the session, must see me urgently.

## **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!!

## **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. Your place on the trip is not confirmed until both consent and payment are received. If pupils do not want to go, it would help if your parents / carers could still click on the Evolve link and click 'decline'. Alternative activities will be available for those not attending.

## **Exam Season**

Apologies that the study rooms and at times the library are being used for the summer exams.

You must be silent on the corridor including at break and lunch time. Move promptly and quietly on and off the corridor. Thank you for your support.

## **Year 12 Mock Exams**

These will take place w/c 16 and 23 June. Timetables will be issued very soon. Revision for the June exams should already be taking place. Use all your study periods and the common room effectively to revise.

## **Exam season attendance requirements**

Well done for getting through the first week. All students should continue to attend all lessons until you have sat the final exam in that subject/ submitted all coursework. The only exception to this (FOR YEAR 13 STUDENTS) is if you have an afternoon exam and wish to prepare for this at home in the morning. Please make sure that you look carefully at your exam timetable and speak to class teachers over the next few weeks.

**Student lanyards must be visible when entering the exam hall and displayed on the desk when sitting exams.**

**Remember your seat and exam / candidate number for all exams**

**Morning Exams** – you need to be in registered in the common room by **8:30 for a 9am start –**

**You should be seated in the exam hall by 8:45am**

**Afternoon Exams** – you need to be registered in the common room by **1:30pm for a 2pm start and be seated in the exam hall by 1:45pm.**

**If you are ill or may be late** you must contact school immediately. Medical reasons for absence must be confirmed with a medical note.

- Phones **MUST** be switched off and handed in to the Sixth Form team.
- Remove your watch (of any kind), ipods or earphones and place in your bags at the back of the hall.
- Water must only be in a clear bottle with the label removed.

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE: COATS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE WORN IN THE EXAM HALL. \*\***

**We wish you all the very best of luck with the exams and look forward to celebrating your success in the summer.**

## **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.lawnschool.co.uk/for-parents-and-carers/exams/>

## **Opportunities**

### **Department of Sociology, University of York**

We are offering a one hour, interactive, online Sociology and Criminology taster session for interested schools and students, to learn about the exciting learning opportunities we have in the Department of Sociology at the University of York. The session will be co-led by [Dr James Cummings](#) (Sociology) and [Dr Mary Laing](#) (Criminology). During the session your students will expand their sociological and criminological imaginations by listening to mini-lectures participate in activity-based learning and thinking through current sociological and criminological issues hear about the career opportunities that studying with us at the University of York can bring be signposted to resources for further learning after the session have a chance to ask questions. The session will run as a webinar on Wednesday 2nd July 2025 15:45-16:45 via Zoom. Students can attend as a group facilitated by the school, or schools can distribute the zoom link to their students so they can join individually. If your school is interested in attending either as a group or as individual students and would like to be sent the link, then please complete this short [Google Form](#) by 22nd June 2025.

### **University of Law Upcoming Virtual Events**

Get the real story on university life on **10th June 17:00 - 17:45**. Join our online session to hear from current undergraduates about balancing studies, making friends, managing part-time work, finding work experience, and getting involved on campus. Ask your questions, pick up practical tips, and feel confident about your next steps [Event Booking | University of Law](#)

### **Mock Trial: Step Into the Jury Box**

The University of Law invites you to experience the courtroom like never before in Mock Trial: Betrayers and Innocents; a live virtual event where participants step into the role of the jury and witness a murder trial unfold in real time. This is a unique opportunity to gain insight into courtroom proceedings and experience the drama of a trial from anywhere. Actors and student barristers will bring this gripping case to life, presenting key evidence and compelling arguments. Attendees will hear both sides, analyse the facts, and ultimately cast their vote on the verdict. Is Hugo Pilkington guilty of the traitorous murder of game show contestant Edward Boncoeur, or is he innocent? The decision lies with the jury. [Event Booking | University of Law](#)

### **UCL Student Finance Information Session 28 May and Personal Statement Workshops**

Finances are a big part of choosing whether university is right for you. This session is designed for students who would be studying their first degree and eligible for a loan from student finance England.

[Student Finance Information Session | UCL Mathematical & Physical Sciences - UCL – University College London](#)

Learn the best techniques for writing your personal statement and get up-to-date advice from current UCL staff and students.

[Personal Statement Workshops | Access and Widening Participation - UCL – University College London](#)

### **UCAT 2024 - Registration opens soon**

UCAT is an admissions test, used by a consortium of UK and partner Universities to help select applicants for medicine and dentistry programmes. The test is used alongside other selection criteria such as academic qualifications and interviews. The UCAT is a computer-based test, delivered in Pearson VUE test centres throughout the UK and worldwide. **UCAT registration, bursary and access arrangement applications opens on 13 May 2025, bookings open 17 June and testing takes place between 7 July - 26 September 2025.**

[https://www.ucat.ac.uk/about-ucat/ucat-test-dates/?UCAT Test Dates | UCAT Consortium](https://www.ucat.ac.uk/about-ucat/ucat-test-dates/?UCAT%20Test%20Dates)

[https://www.ucat.ac.uk/about-ucat/test-format/?utm\\_source=sprint&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=May2024](https://www.ucat.ac.uk/about-ucat/test-format/?utm_source=sprint&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=May2024)

### **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](#)

## **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. [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](#)

## **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:**

- **Thursday 15 May** – WEX placement approved and signed off
- **Wednesday 21 May** – Deadline for committee applications
- **Friday 23 May** – Year 13 Leavers assembly, lunch time and P5
- **Wednesday 4 June** – Deadline for personal statement (first draft)
- **Wednesday 11 June** – UCAT Workshop – University of Leeds
- **Friday 20 June** – Year 13 Leavers Event
- **W/C 16.6.25 and 23.6.25** – Year 12 Mock Exam Fortnight
- **Friday 27 June** – Year 12 Newcastle and Northumbria Trip
- **W/C 30 June** – Focus on Your Future Week
- **W/C 7 July - Work Experience Week**
- **Wednesday 16 July** – Community Trip - Alton Towers

## **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.