

Lawnswood School – Sixth Form Bulletin

w.b. Monday 6 October



Assembly

- Year 12 – 8.10.25 – Duke of Edinburgh Launch - Sixth Form Library – Mr Rhodes

Wednesday Period 3

Tutorial Lesson- 15.10.25 (Period 3, 11:10-12:10pm)

- **Year 12** - Wider Participation – Reach for Excellence and Year 13 Students - Sixth Form Library

- **Year 13** - UCAS and Apprenticeship applications – Tutor / Computer Rooms

Attendance is compulsory

Study Programme update

- **Progression Module** Launch – Following the launch the first lesson will be on **Tuesday 14 October, P2 in F03**
- **Y12 EPQ** –Lessons will commence on **Tuesday 14 October, P2 in F57**
- **Student Committee** – Interviews will take place on **Wednesday 8 October from 3pm**
- **Internships** – Speak to Ms Ullah if you are interested.
- **LEAP** – Thursday 1:15pm F07 (with product ideas)

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. **Supervised study sessions have now been added to your timetables alongside the study programme lessons.**

KS5 Showbie groups 2025/26

Please ensure you join your year group showbie group for all important messages, bulletins, tutorial and assembly resources. You must download showbie – put your notifications on and use your school email.

- Year 12 – Showbie code: **ZJNJA**
- Year 13 - Showbie code: **NCB7W**

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. Any problems, please let me know. Ms Ullah

Health and Wellbeing Sessions

Health and Wellbeing sessions will run every Wednesday, week 2 during. You must meet promptly at 1:50pm.

- Dance Studio (Physical activity)
- S23 (Gaming)
- G25 (Wellbeing activities - Baking).

Please ensure you are dressed appropriately for your activity.

Year 13 you are very welcome to participate but speak to the activity leader to ensure they are aware you are joining.

November GCSE Maths and English Language re-sit – T06/Sixth Form Library

Timetables are being processed. When you receive them, check entries carefully.

If you are missing a timetable, then an entry has not been made, and you must come and see me urgently. Ms Ullah

- Tuesday 4 November AM (9am-10:45am) - English Language Paper 1 (1 hour 45 minutes)
- Wednesday 5 November AM (9am-10:30am) - Maths Paper 1 (non-calculator exam) (1 hour 30 minutes)
- Thursday 6 November AM (9am-10:45am/11am) - English Lang Paper 2 (1 hour 45 mins / 2 hours (WJEC))
- Friday 7 November AM (9am-10:30am) - Maths Paper 2 (calculator exam) (1 hour 30 minutes)
- Monday 10 November AM (9am-10:30am) - Maths Paper 2 (calculator exam) (1 hour 30 minutes)

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 / Mrs Shaw as soon as possible for an application form for 2024-25

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.

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!!

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 8am-8.20am. If you fancy a slice of toast and helping to support younger students, your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Opportunities

Future Doctors Month – Free Online Programme (November 2025)

Join our FREE online Future Doctors Month to gain valuable insights and hands-on knowledge designed specifically for aspiring healthcare professionals like you from all over the world. Across November, you'll take part in live sessions with real doctors, explore medical specialties, and develop core skills such as patient history taking and ethical reasoning. Future Doctors Month is a completely free, month-long online event designed to inspire and prepare the next generation of doctors. Throughout November, you'll join live sessions with real doctors, explore different areas of medicine, and complete a knowledge test at the end to earn your official Certificate of Completion – perfect for boosting your medical school applications.

3 - 30 November 2025, Open to students worldwide, For ages 14–18, Limited to 2,000 spaces

Sessions are delivered live on Zoom & recorded for on-demand viewing whenever suits you best

<https://www.premedprojects.co.uk/course/future-doctors-month-november-2025-live-free-and-online>

Lloyds Banking Group Apprenticeship Application Event

Are you ready to take your first step into the world of banking and finance? Whether you're considering apprenticeships, work experience, internships or graduate schemes—this session is your launchpad. Lloyds Banking Group is one of the world's biggest financial services companies with over 30 million digital customers. Find out how they help Britain prosper, what makes their culture inclusive, and how their well-known brands are driving real change.

What to expect:

- We'll show you how to write applications that grab attention, ace assessment centres, and navigate the recruitment process with confidence.
- Learn how to make your CV pop, answer interview questions like a pro, and research companies so your application hits the mark.
- You'll hear from a current apprentice who's been through it all—sharing real stories, honest advice, and what helped their application shine.
- Hints and tips on making an impactful application
- How to prep for assessment centres- mini exercise/examples of what they can get asked
- The recruitment process/dates

In addition, all who attend this virtual event will be the first to hear about and apply for over eight in-person events at their offices all across the UK. These events take place on Saturdays, so they don't impact time out of school or university. In-person opportunities are very rare, especially at huge banks, so this will be your head start to getting your foot in the door! Your future starts now. Let's unlock it—together.

Event Details:

Date: Tuesday, 7 October

Time: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

For: Year 11, 12 and 13 students

Location: (Zoom link provided upon registration)

Register now to secure your place!

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LBG_Level_Up

Lloyds Banking Group Work Experience Day in Leeds

Join us at the Lloyds Banking Group Work Experience Day taking place in Leeds on **Saturday 11 October** for an unparalleled opportunity to network and discover what it's really like to be part of a leading financial institution. Taking place on Saturday this gives you the full flexibility not to miss school or university and gain something fantastic to put on your CV's. We have two time slots morning and afternoon, and you can choose which session you'd like to join. This event is designed for students to gain a real-world understanding of what happens at the UK's biggest banking groups!

Who are LBG:

Lloyds Banking Group is a world-renowned commercial, personal and investment banking management firm and are also the UK's biggest Bank. LBG have over 30million customers and around 60,000 employees globally as well as being a FTSE 100 company. Under the Lloyds Banking Group business, they also own Halifax and Bank of Scotland as well as other financial institutions such a Scottish Widows.

Event Experience:

You'll have the chance to meet and engage with professionals and apprentices who have first-hand experience in various roles at the bank, take part in workshops, career development sessions as well as lots of networking. The day will take place on **Saturday 11 October** and the Morning session runs from 10:00am–12:30pm and the Afternoon session runs from 14:00–16:30pm. Please click the link below to sign up and select which time slot you'd like to join. You can also bring a parent/ guardian along with you if traveling from outside of the Leeds area.

Application Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LBG_SFEST_Leeds

Apply today and secure your place for this work experience opportunity!

Insight into RSM - A world-leading Professional Services Firm!

Are you interested in a career in Business, Finance or Accounting? Join us for an exclusive virtual event with RSM, one of the world's leading providers of audit, tax, and business consulting services. This Insight to RSM event is the perfect opportunity for Year 12, Year 13 Students to discover the world of business and accounting, learn more about apprenticeship, graduate and internship opportunities, and hear directly from senior professionals in the field.

Event Details:

Date: Thursday, 9 October 2025, Time: 5:00pm – 6:30pm, Location: Virtual via Zoom

Why Attend?

- 1) Discover Student Opportunities: Learn about RSM's different student programmes - graduate, work experience and apprenticeship opportunities.
- 2) Gain Insight: Understand what it's like to work at RSM, a firm known for empowering young talent and supporting their career growth.
- 3) Meet the Professionals: Hear from RSM employees about their journeys, experiences, and the skills needed to succeed in the world of business and accounting.
- 4) Ask Your Questions: Participate in an open Q&A session to get tailored advice and guidance.
- 5) RSM operates in multiple locations across the UK, offering opportunities nationwide and working with a diverse range of clients—from dynamic small businesses to global enterprises.

Register Here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RSM_Virtual

Medical and Dental Work Experience

Gaining valuable work experience is a must-have for medical and dental applications, and we understand the challenges your students may face while finding the right placement. Luckily, medical and dental schools have accepted Virtual Work Experience as a valuable alternative to in-person shadowing, and can play a significant role in preparing students for their in-person work placements through structured teaching and opportunities to speak directly with healthcare professionals. Our free Virtual Work Experience Programme is brought to you by Birmingham Universities Hospitals Trust in collaboration with Medic & Dental Mentor.

Our next Get Into Dentistry Conference is on Saturday 18 October, 9am - 1:30pm

Register here: https://dental-mentor.org/get-into-dentistry-conference-sign-up/?utm_source=Sendgrid&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=16%2F09+WEX+Teacher+Camp

The Get into Medicine or Get Into Dentistry Conference is a complete guide to the medical or dental application journey. Students get essential insights into the medical/dental application process, connect with professionals, fellow students, and gain a deeper understanding of a future career in medicine or dentistry. Students and parents can register for FREE here: Medicine: https://medicmentor.org/get-into-medicine-conference-signup/?utm_source=Sendgrid&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=16%2F09+WEX+Teacher+Camp

Dentistry: https://dental-mentor.org/get-into-dentistry-conference-sign-up/?utm_source=Sendgrid&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=16%2F09+WEX+Teacher+Camp

Careers in STEM Virtual Event

Are you a Year 12, or 13 student interested in a career in the STEM industry? Join us for a virtual exclusive event with 6 of the world's leading STEM companies, designed to give you insights into the industry, work experience, and apprenticeship programmes. We will be running workshops in breakout rooms and giving you the chance to network and build up your professional network with leaders from across the industry.

Companies Attending:

Spectris PLC, National Grid, NESO, BDO, Wates, RAF

Participating in an event such as this will not only allow you to learn more about the industry, but it will also give you a unique opportunity to gain valuable experience that will be beneficial for adding value to your CV and LinkedIn profile. This will show employers that you are proactive and looking to develop your skillset before entering the workplace, which can help you to be recognised as an ambitious and motivated individual as well as allowing you to stand out from other students.

Please sign up for this incredible opportunity using the registration link below. After the event, you will receive a certificate that you can use on your CVs and any job applications. Don't miss this incredible opportunity.

Register here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N8YWXYD>

October open days at the University of Leeds

Bookings are now open for our **October Open Days**, taking place on **Saturday 18 October**.

Each student planning to attend an Open Day needs to book individually using our Open Days [booking form](#). Please note that our Open Days are popular, and sessions fill quickly so pre-booking onto sessions is advised. Details of the times and locations of activities can be found on the booking form.

Once you've booked, you'll be able to access your personal booking summary which can be used to join your sessions on the day. For more information, including what to expect on Open Days, please [visit our website](#).

Health Sciences Outreach @ Leeds - September 2025

Health and Social Care Visit Days

Our Health and Social Care Visit Days are the perfect opportunity for Year 12 and Year 13 students wanting to explore the various healthcare pathways in HE, as well gain practical insight into the many healthcare programmes on offer at Leeds. Booking open now!

<https://www.healthsciences.leeds.ac.uk/teachers/post-16-activities/hsc-visit-days/>

Psychology Visit Days

Health Sciences isn't just about Medicine and Dentistry! Thanks to our Psychology Visit Days, students in Year 12 can have the opportunity to explore different elements of the Psychology programme at the University of Leeds.

Requests are currently welcome for set dates in 25/26. <https://www.healthsciences.leeds.ac.uk/teachers/post-16-activities/psychology-visit-days/>

New Admissions Test for Dental Hygiene and Therapy

The Dental School at the University of Leeds has introduced Casper (an open-response situational judgement test designed to measure social intelligence and professionalism) for applicants to BSc Dental Hygiene and Therapy for 2026 entry onwards. Test dates for this academic year are:

- 12 December 25 (6pm)
- 9 January 2026 (6pm)
- 15 January 2026 (6pm)

To support students with this new approach to admissions, Casper are hosting a *Casper Office Hour* on Tuesday 16 September (6pm). This webinar will enable applicants to find out further information and ask questions. For more information, click the button below or contact support@acuityinsights.com.

<https://acuityinsights.app/casper/>

Leeds Futures - applications are now open – Year 12

Leeds Futures 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 enrolling on the programme choose to specialise in a particular subject area. They will then attend a variety of subject-related activities alongside receiving advice and guidance on practical matters such as UCAS applications, accommodation choices and student finance. Students enrolling on the programme choose to specialise in a particular subject area. They will then attend a variety of subject-related activities alongside receiving advice and guidance on practical matters such as UCAS applications, accommodation choices and student finance.

For Leeds Futures Health Sciences (Dentistry, Medicine, healthcare and Psychology) applications will open on Monday 6 October 2025 and close on Sunday 23 November 2025.

Applications for all other Leeds Futures programmes will open on Monday 24 November 2025 and close on Sunday 1 February 2026. [Leeds Futures | University of Leeds](#)

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 soon. Dates TBC. RfE will be delivering a session on **Tuesday 16 October** to share the full details. See <https://studenttalentspotting.leeds.ac.uk/rfe/>

The final internal school deadline for applications is Friday 7 November to allow your tutors to complete and submit references by 13 November.

Pathway to Law - Sutton Trust – Year 12

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

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/>

See bulletin w/c 22 September for full details

Please refer to the FOYF dashboard for even more opportunities

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

Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday 7 October - UK Apprenticeship and UCAS Fair, Elland Road - Year 12 - See letter for full details.
- Thursday 13 October – Sixth Form Open Evening, 5-7:30pm

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.