# <u>Lawnswood School – Sixth Form Bulletin</u>



w.b. Monday 10 November (week 2)

### **Assembly**

**Year 12** – 12.11.25 – Work Experience Launch and Unifrog – Mr Curtis and Miss Shaw – Sixth Form Library

# **Wednesday Period 3**

Tutorial Lesson- 19.11.25 (Period 3, 11:10-12:10pm)

- Year 12 Paired Reading Programme Launch Mr Hearn- Sixth Form Library
- **Year 13** UCAS and Apprenticeship applications F03

# Attendance is compulsory

# **UCAS Update**

Deadline to have completed your personal statement and 'pay and submit' is **Friday 28 November 2025**. We will guarantee submission of your application by **Friday 12 December 2025**.

Ensure entry requirements for your course choices match your grade predictions.

Please alert your tutor that you are ready to pay and submit to ensure your reference is ready.

# **UCAS Support Sessions**

Tuesday, period 2 in T08

# **Study Programme update**

- Progression Module Tuesday 11 November, P1 in F03
- Y12 EPQ –Tuesday 11 November, P2 in F57 with Emily (EPQ Outreach from Uni of Leeds)
- LEAP Thursday 1:15pm F07 Continue to work on product details
- Bar Mock Trial Preparation session with Barrister Catherine White from St Johns Chambers on Monday 10 November, 3-4pm in F15. Saturday 29 November Bar Mock Trial Magistrates Court.
- Paired Reading Thursday 20 November at 8:25am in tutor rooms you must be on time

# Health and Wellbeing - 12 November

Health and Wellbeing sessions will run every Wednesday, week 2 during. You must meet promptly at 1:50pm. Dance Studio (Physical activity) – Danish Longball, Table Tennis, Fitness Suite S23 (Gaming)

G25 (Wellbeing activities) - Brownies

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.

# Sixth Form Open Evening

Our open evening is on Thursday 13 November. We need you on the night to be amazing ambassadors helping during subject talks, working on the front desk, welcoming parents, tour guides...... If you would like to volunteer, please collect a letter from the Sixth Form office. Thank you to all the volunteers who have returned their permission slips.

# 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

- Dentistry Wednesday 26 November 2025 at midday
- All other courses Wednesday 4 February 2026 at midday.

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

Final Exam!! You must ensure you are in school at 8:30am for a morning exam. Register in the common room and hand your phone, watches, airpods..... in. Ensure you are on time!!

Monday 10 November AM (9am-10:30am) - Maths Paper 2 (calculator exam) (1hour 30 minutes)
 Good luck to all students sitting the final exam today!!

### Year 13 Mock Exams

Year 13 Exams at **LWD** will take place w/c **I December**. This will be a 'Reading Week', therefore there **are no timetabled A Level lessons** for students who study A Level subjects and have a mock exams scheduled below. **All lessons in vocational subjects and all lessons at Ralph Thoresby will run as normal**. Some mock exams maybe scheduled w/c 8 Dec during timetabled lessons. All lessons as normal this week, with a rewards trips on 10 December. Please ensure you have collected your individual timetable from your form tutor and add any additional mock exams during w/c 8 Dec to your timetable which will be in classrooms.

Please be clear that mock exams start at 8:50m and afternoon exams at 1:30pm.

Please be in the Common Room by 8:25am and 1:15pm.

YEAR 13 MOCKS: Monday 1.12.25 - Tuesday 9.12.25 (Week 1)					
	Monday 01.12.25 P1/2	Tuesday 02.12.25 P1/2	Wed. 03.12.25 PI/2	Thursday 04.12.25 P1/2	Friday 05.12.25 P1/2
P1&P2 8:50am- 10:50am	BLOCK A Start at 8:55 Psychology 13A/Py1 (1h30m) Physics 13A/Ph1 (2hr) History 13A/Hi1 (2hr30) CTEC Health and Social 13A/H81 (1h30) CTEC Business 13A/B41 (2hr)	BLOCK E Start at 8:50 Core Maths I3E/CmI (Ih30m)	BLOCK D Start at 8:50 Maths 13D/Ma1 (2hr) Law 13D/Lw1 (2hr)	BLOCK C Start at 8:55 Chemistry I3C/ChI (2hr)	BLOCK B Start at 8:55 Biology 13B/Bi1 (2hr)  English Language 13B/En1 (2hr 15m)  CTEC ITC 13B/I51 (1hr)
Break 10:50am- 11:10am	Monday 01.12.25 P3/4	Tuesday 02.12.25 P3/4	Wed. 03.12.25 P3/4	Thursday 04.12.25 P3/4	Friday 05.12.25 P3/4
P3&P4 11:10am- 1:10pm	NO EXAMS	NO EXAMS	NO EXAMS	NO EXAMS	NO EXAMS
	Monday 01.12.25 P5	Tuesday 02.12.25 P5	Wed. 03.12.25 P5	Thursday 04.12.25 P5	Friday 05.12.25 P5
P5 EARLIER START OF 1:30pm		Start at 1:30 Sociology (2hr) 13B/So1 13C/So1	NO EXAMS Students at Leeds Beckett		

# **Ralph Thoresby:**

Year 13 mock exams at RTS will take place during 6-9 January 2026. More details to follow soon.

# January external Exams

The entries for the January 25 external exams have now been finalised and you should have received a timetable last week. Students have been entered for exams in:

- AQA Applied Science
- CTEC Sport
- CTEC IT and Business
- CTEC Health and Social Care

Check the entry is correct with your subject teacher and also check your name on the exam entry sheet to ensure it is your **legal name** as this is what will appear on your certificate. Any issues, discuss with your subject teacher immediately. Note the date and time of exam- timetables showing the room and seat details will be given out in December.

# **Opportunities**

#### Applications for the online Accelerate programme for Year 12 students are now open!

**About Accelerate** - Accelerate is a year-long academic and pastoral support programme for Year 12 students who intend to study science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or medicine at university. Through a range of online academic tutorials, university information sessions, and additional activities hosted by Imperial College London, Accelerate aims to support you with your A Level studies and ensure that you are as prepared as possible for the next step in your educational journey. Through this programme you will:

- Develop the skills you need to achieve a top grade in A Level Physics or Chemistry;
- Build your confidence when applying to research-intensive universities like Imperial College London, which require an A/A\* in your chosen subject;
- Gain an insight into undergraduate level study, and what it is like to be a student at Imperial College London.

#### What to expect on the programme

For 2026 entry, we will be running two strands: a Physics strand and a Chemistry strand.

Both strands will consist predominantly of fortnightly after-school online tutorials on either Tuesdays or Thursdays, plus several online university information and guidance sessions. You may only apply for one strand - Physics or Chemistry. Accelerate | Be inspired | Imperial College London

### PwC Accounting Event in Leeds - Monday 17 November, 2:30pm - 5pm

We're thrilled to offer an exciting opportunity for students in Years 12 and 13. On **Monday, November 17th, from 2:30pm to 5pm**, we'll be hosting an exclusive **in-person event** with PwC—one of the world's leading professional services firms—right here in Leeds. Open to all, this event aims to inspire and support students interested in professional services to apply for PwC's Flying Start Degree programmes in accounting. If you're interested in getting a head start on your career while earning a degree, this is a unique opportunity to explore your future with a leading global firm, in person.

#### **About PwC**

Working at PwC will help you build technical knowledge, in-depth expertise and a broad commercial understanding of how the business world works. You'll learn how leading global organisations manage risks and seize opportunities across borders. You'll develop the communication, leadership, and collaboration skills to work with all kinds of people and advise a wide range of clients. You'll sharpen your analytical and problem-solving capabilities, learning to interpret data and turn insight into evidence-based decisions and long-term strategic thinking.

PwC looks for people with agile, curious minds who can adapt quickly to change and embrace technology. If you are keen to collaborate as part of a team, seize opportunities and go the extra mile to make a difference, it could be the place or you.

### During this event, you'll have the chance to:

- Discover PwC's Flying Start degree programmes, designed for those who want to kickstart their careers while studying.
- Explore career paths in Accounting.
- Learn what PwC looks for in candidates and how to stand out from the crowd.
- Network with PwC professionals and get firsthand advice from women thriving in the business world.
- This experience can be used on your CV or LinkedIn profile, enhancing your applications for future opportunities and helping your CV truly stand out.

Spaces are limited, so apply through the link below to secure your spot as soon as possible.

Apply now to secure your spot: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PwC Leeds

### University of Bradford open days

Saturday 15 November - 09:15 - 14:45

Saturday 10 January – timings tbc

Our Open Days are suitable for anyone thinking of starting university in September 2026.

Take the first step on your undergraduate journey and find out what it's all about. Get answers to any questions you may have about applying/starting university and explore our campus.

#### Find out more about:

- the subjects you're interested in
- finance and funding
- accommodation
- support available to you

You can book onto either of our upcoming open days here

# Virtual work experience in pharmacy with the NHS

#### **Overview**

Looking to build a meaningful career? Want the opportunity to improve the health and wellbeing of your community directly? In this virtual work experience programme, you'll discover the pharmacy teams' role in supporting health and wellbeing with North East and North Cumbria ICB, South Yorkshire ICB, West Yorkshire ICB, and Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership. We'll introduce you to the range of pharmacy careers and pathways in the health and social care sector so that you can kickstart your journey in this key area.

#### What's Included

This virtual work experience programme will prepare you to kickstart your pharmacy career, with a series of engaging modules. Between videos, activities and quizzes that will put your knowledge to the test, we'll build your understanding of the health and social care sector and prepare you to take your first step in your pharmacy journey! Work Experience in Pharmacy - North East, North Cumbria & Yorkshire | Springpod

#### **University of Huddersfield: End of 2025 Opportunities**

We've got some upcoming online webinars hosted by our industry-specialist academics through the university. These can be booked using the hyperlinks below. All would be particularly helpful for writing about in personal statements and mentioning in university interviews:

Sports Science: Could you run a marathon in under two hours? 13 November 4:30-5:15pm

Why do we say no to vaccines? The psychology behind our choices – 20 November 4:30-5:15pm

Think you can catch a killer? Dive into offender profiling 18 November 4:30-5:15pm

Fairytales and Nursey Rhymes: How Healthcare could have changed the story – 25 November 4:30-5:15pm

Behind the Screen: How Social Workers are Safeguarding Children Online – 27 November 5-5:45pm

Faculties also have the following upcoming events on campus that I thought you and your students might be interested in:

Engineering Sustainability Conference. The day includes 3 workshops on campus - 3 December 2025 - there is a cap of 15 students per school for this event

Holocaust Remembrance Day Humanities Taster Day - 28th January 2026

Subject Specific Discover Lectures (Academics come to you)

**HeadStart:** Our last Open Day for our HeadStart Programme is on Saturday 22nd November. Here your students can gain extra UCAS points for the University of Huddersfield if they submit a piece of work after attending our Open Day. For more information please see <u>click here.</u>

### **Work Experience Opportunity – Labcorp**

I am delighted to share with you details of the Labcorp virtual work experience programme which will be running in November. This is fantastic opportunity for your students to learn more about what is involved in the drug development process and the interesting and varied careers available in this field. Students of any age are welcome to join but the program may be particularly pertinent to Students in years 12/13 who are considering future options (University / Apprenticeships / Employment).

We would also welcome any teachers that are able to join the program. It

would be great to hear your feedback on content and any suggestions you may have for improvements.



# <u>Applications are now open for 2026 Medical Schools Council Summer Schools!</u>

We're excited to announce that applications are now open for the 2026 MSC Medicine Residential Summer Schools. These fully funded programmes offer an excellent opportunity for students to explore what it's like to study medicine at university – at no cost to you. The summer schools provide a practical and engaging experience of medical education through hands-on activities, online learning, and expert-led sessions. Students will:

#### Experience what it's like to be a medical student

- Learn about a wide range of medical careers
- Receive support with university applications, admissions tests, and interviews
- Build confidence and meet like-minded peers
- May become eligible for contextual admissions at some medical schools

#### Who can apply?

The programmes are designed for Year 11 and 12 students in England from underrepresented backgrounds, particularly those with limited access to medical outreach. Students can apply for residential or commuter places depending on what suits their circumstances best. Please note: a separate online-only medical summer school and dental residential summer schools will open for applications in January 2026, and more information will follow later in the term.

#### **Key Dates:**

Applications close: 30 November 2025 Decisions shared by: 23 January 2026

Some programmes include compulsory online sessions before the main residentials in Summer 2026, so it's important to check dates carefully.

#### Which universities are involved?

You can explore the available programmes using the links below.

Brunel University with Imperial College London

University of Lancashire with University of Sunderland

Brighton & Sussex Medical School (BSMS) with University of Southampton and University of Surrey

University of East Anglia with Anglia Ruskin University

Newcastle University

#### How to apply

Students can check their <u>eligibility</u> and apply online here: <u>https://data.heat.ac.uk/event/apply/msc/msc-residential-summer-schools-2026-application?utm\_source=...</u>

Learn more about the programmes here: Medicine Summer School Programmes 2026

### 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 Applications for all other Leeds Futures programmes will **open on Monday 24 November 2025 and close on Sunday I February 2026**. Leeds Futures | University of Leeds

### 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 see <a href="https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-law/">https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-law/</a>?

### 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 see - <a href="https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-medicine/">https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-medicine/</a>

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:**

- Thursday 13 November Sixth Form Open Evening, 5-7:30pm
- Thursday 6 November Y12 Geography fieldtrip 2 (in double lesson time) to Bramhope.
- Friday 28 November Lawnswood and Ralph Thoresby Training Day
- Wednesday 3 December Progression Module Graduation Ceremony More details to follow soon
- Wednesday 10 December Year 13 Rewards Trip to Old Trafford Centre More details to follow soon
- Wednesday I7 December Year II Taster day
- Friday 19 Dec, Break up for Xmas Holiday.

### **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.