

St Aidan's & St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form

St Aidan's Student Weekly Notices Week (B) commencing 25 September 2017

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Careers Information

Work Experience Opportunity in Engineering

NG Bailey, a major local Engineering company are offering a weeks work experience at their Leeds Office during October half term to Year 12 and 13 students. This will provide an insight into what Engineers do and students will be required to work as part of a group and to think independently, to design and present building plans, as well as developing skills in multiple areas. For more details on the company please see <http://www.ngbailey.com>. The deadline for applications is 1 October. Please contact the Careers Department for an application form.

Step into the NHS - Tuesday 26 September 4.30-5.30, Lecture Theatre, Harrogate Hospital

This event is for any student who is considering a role in the NHS or healthcare. The event will cater for those who are considering both a clinical (medical, nursing, allied professions plus support staff) or non-clinical career (finance, administration, IT etc.) Presentations will cover:

- Work experience
- Hidden careers in the NHS
- Volunteering
- Apprenticeships
- Youth Forum

To book a place please e-mail: education.liasion@hdfn.nhs.uk

Preparing for Medical School – Wednesday 27 September 6.30-7.30pm, Harrogate High School

Aimed at students in Year 12 considering applying to medical school. There will be a doctor speaking and also feedback from students who have recently been through the application/interview process. To book a place please email: education.liasion@hdfn.nhs.uk

Year 12 and interested in Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Science?

Please come to a talk in the Careers Department at 12.45 on **Monday 2 October** to find out what you need to be doing now in terms of work experience and volunteering to support your application to university.

Interested in a Career in Finance?

Then you may wish to attend a careers evening at **EY in Leeds on 3 October** to find out more about opportunities available especially apprenticeships. For more details please see <http://www.ukcareers.ey.com/schools/events-and-contacts/events/face-to-face-events/schools-choices-evening-leeds>

Exam Information

GCSE RE-SITS ENGLISH LANGUAGE & MATHS – NOVEMBER EXAM SERIES

Students who did not attain grade 4 or above in their GCSE English and/or Maths in June 2017 (or grade C in a re-sit) and who need to be entered for a re-sit exam in November 2017 should ensure they complete a yellow GCSE re-sit form. Forms are available now from the Sixth Form Offices at both schools and are also available to download from both school websites. There is no charge for Y12 students re-sitting for the first time. Y13 students wishing to re-sit again or any Y12 students who gained a grade 4 or above but wish to re-sit in an attempt to improve their grade will be required to pay the exam re-sit fee of £36.00 per subject. Forms should be returned to Mrs Humphrey, Exams Officer, in the Sixth Form Office at St Aidan's by Monday, 25 September.

Please note: Students who joined Y12 from another school should ensure they speak to Mrs Humphrey, Exams Officer, as soon as possible to discuss their re-sit entry so she can check the details of the re-sit you should be entered for.

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APPLIED GENERAL BUSINESS, APPLIED GENERAL SCIENCE, CAMBRIDGE TECHNICAL IT EXAM RE-SITS – JANUARY 2018 EXAM SERIES

Students wishing to re-sit Applied General or Cambridge Technical written exam units in the January 2018 exam series should ensure they complete a pink re-sit form. Forms are available now from the Sixth Form Offices at both schools and are also available to download from both school websites. Students considering re-sitting in January should discuss this with their subject teacher as their signature is required on the form to confirm the unit details quoted are correct before this is returned to Mrs Humphrey, Exams Officer, in the Sixth Form Office at St Aidan's. The cost of re-sitting is £30.00 per unit. Forms should be returned to Mrs Humphrey, Exams Officer, by Monday, 9 October.

Admission Tests for Oxford and Cambridge

- Biomedical Admission tests (BMAT)
- Test of Maths for University Admission (TMUA)

Please see Mrs Humphrey, Exams Officer, as soon as possible if you need to be entered for any of the above tests. You will need to complete an entry form in order for the school to register you online for the above tests.

Registration Deadline Dates:

- 1 October 2017 – Biomedical admission test (BMAT) or Test of Maths for University Admission (TMUA)
- 15 October 2017 – University of Cambridge Pre-Interview Assessments or University of Oxford Admission Tests.

Test Dates:

- 2 November at 9.00 AM – BMAT & Oxford or Cambridge admission tests
- 8 November at 9.00 AM – TMUA

Cost of Entry:

- BMAT - £46.00
- TMUA - £29.00

All other tests are free to enter

GCSE Astronomy

Any Year 12 students wishing to study for an additional GCSE in Astronomy should see Mr Wilson in Physics for information. The group will meet once a week, every Wednesday after school from 15:45 to approximately 17:00, aiming to complete the full GCSE in 1 year. This is an excellent way to pursue your scientific interests, whilst gaining valuable skills for CV's or UCAS personal statements.

General Information

Peer listening

Thank you to those students who have helped to make a positive impact through peer listening last week. There are early lunch passes available for you, please see Miss Waters asap in Psychology to collect your lunch pass. A reminder that there are board games in Psychology should you wish to use them for peer listening.

Dress code

Thank you to all students who have made an excellent start to the year by wearing a visible lanyard and adhering to our dress code guidelines. May we take this opportunity to remind students that footwear should be smart. Trainers and black pumps with white soles should not be worn to school.

Debating Club

Come along to Hu1 at lunchtime on Tuesday 26 to help us prepare for a debate on freedom of speech. All welcome. No previous experience required. See Dr Murray if you'd like any further information.

What it means to be a Syrian Refugee

Sleman Shwaish a Syrian refugee who now works for the British Red Cross will be giving a presentation entitled 'What it means to be a Syrian Refugee' on Tuesday 26 September 7.45pm – 9.00 pm at The Friends Meeting House, 12a Queen Parade, Harrogate. All welcome.

Thank you