

# St Aidan's & St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form

## St Aidan's Student Weekly Notices Week (A) commencing 1 October 2018

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### Careers Information

#### UCAS Application Forms

A reminder to all students that when they hand in their completed UCAS form to the Careers Department they also need to complete and hand in a UCAS Application checklist - a copy of which is on the back of your UCAS and personal statement booklet or you can get a copy in Careers. This needs to be completed and signed by parents/carers.

#### Year 12 interested in Healthcare Careers - Medicine, Dentistry, Nursing, Midwifery, Physiotherapy, Speech Therapy etc.

Please come along to a talk in the Careers Department on Monday 1 October at 12.45 to find out what you need to be doing now in terms of organising work experience and volunteering.

#### Apprenticeship - Industry led Seminars

During October and November there are a series of inspiring talks on apprenticeships by major employers from Law, Engineering, IT, Uniformed Public Services etc. For more information please see

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/apprenticeships-industry-led-seminars-2018-tickets-48948691855?aff=ParentInviteLeaflet>

#### Interested in Primary Education?

York St John University have launched a Pre-Teaching Award for students interested in a career in teaching. This will involve attending workshops on 2 Saturdays - 20/10 and 6/4 and volunteering in schools to gain a YSJ Pre-Teaching Award. This could lead to a guaranteed interview at YSJ and offers useful experience for all teaching courses. For more information, please contact the Careers Department.

#### Year 12 Law Programme

Following on the information given in assembly can prospective students in Year 12 wanting to apply for this exciting opportunity provided by BPP Law School, please email their interest to Mr Taylor at St Aidan's: [p.taylor@staidans.co.uk](mailto:p.taylor@staidans.co.uk). Mr Taylor will reply to your email with an electronic application form. Once you receive an application, please read it carefully and submit it to Mr Taylor no later than Monday 8 October. He will then forward them to BPP Law School.

#### William Akroyd Scholarship

Each year several students from the Sixth Form apply for a William Akroyd Scholarship. The competition takes the form of a general essay paper lasting two hours and containing twelve questions on topics of current significance. Questions are not based on any educational syllabus. They are designed rather to provide pupils with an opportunity to display their awareness of issues in the public domain, their capacity for independent thought about them, and their effectiveness in expressing their ideas. Candidates are required to write in response to one question. The paper is taken in school under invigilation. Both science-based and humanities-based pupils alike are encouraged to participate. This year the exam will take place in late November 2018. A short-list of candidates who have entered the competition will be invited to attend at York for interview with the governors of the William Akroyd Foundation on Friday 15 March 2019. You may then be awarded a financial prize for the duration of your undergraduate studies (usually several hundred pounds per year). If you are interested in applying, see Mrs Richmond in Careers for a form. **You must hand in your completed application form by the end of school on Wednesday 24 October.**

### Exam Information

#### Year 13 December Mock Exam Timetables

UCAS predicted grades will be issued this week together with the Year 13 Mock Exam Timetables.

#### GCSE English and Maths Re-sit Mock Exam Timetables for November 2018

These timetables will be given out this week via Form Tutors.

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## University Admission Tests

- Biomedical Admission tests (BMAT)
- Test of Maths for University Admission (TMUA)
- Oxford or Cambridge Admission Tests

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

Registration Deadline Dates:

- 1 October 2018 – Biomedical admission test (BMAT) or Test of Maths for University Admission (TMUA)
- 15 October 2018 – University of Cambridge Pre-Interview Assessments or University of Oxford Admission Tests.

Test Date:

- 31 October at 9.00 am in Constance Green Hall at St Aidan's.

Cost of Entry:

- BMAT - £46.00
- TMUA - £30.00

All other tests are free to enter

## January 2019 Re-sits - Applied General Business, Applied General Science, Cambridge Technical IT and Cambridge Technical Health and Social Care

If any Year 13 students want to re-sit an exam in any of the above subjects they need to complete and return a re-sit form by Friday 5 October. Re-sit forms are available from the Sixth Form Office and via the school website.

Cost:

- £30 per unit - Applied General Business and Applied General Science
- £32.40 per unit - Cambridge Technical IT and Cambridge Technical Health and Social Care

## General Information

### Senior Maths Challenge Y12 and Y13

The Senior Maths Challenge (Y12 and 13) is to be held on Tuesday 6 November Period 2 in CGH. Entry is £1 payable to your Maths teacher by 30 September.

### Wednesday Period 4 Year 13

Mrs Payling is available in Ma7 during Period 4 on Wednesday for any Year 13's who require some help with Maths.

### Christian Union

Come along to Christian Union on a Thursday lunchtime for worship, food and discussions. Bring a sandwich with you to the chapel so we can make the most of the time. If you have any questions of your own that you would like to discuss, feel free to email Rebecca Watson at [12watsor@staidans.co.uk](mailto:12watsor@staidans.co.uk).

### Debating Club

This week Debating Club will be held **on Tuesday from 12.30 in Hi1**. All welcome.

### Ripon City Football Club - Volunteers

RCFC are on the lookout for enthusiastic people to join their team of volunteers. They are specifically looking for individuals to help with the media side of the club, which will involve capturing match days via a match report and photos or video. Matches are played Saturday afternoon. The match reports and any pictures would be used on their website and social media platforms and they would also be used by local newspapers. This could be a good opportunity for any students interested in building their Media/Photography/Sport CV or anyone with a personal interest in Ripon City Football. For more information, please email Mrs Farrar [m.farrar@staidans.co.uk](mailto:m.farrar@staidans.co.uk) or call in to Careers to leave your details.

### Open Day

St Aidan's Open Day is Saturday 13 October. During the morning, prospective Sixth Form students have the opportunity to tour the site and speak to teachers and current students. Thank you to those students who have already volunteered to help during Open Day if anyone else would like to help please sign up by Monday 1 October.

Thank you