

St Aidan's & St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form

St Aidan's Student Weekly Notices Week (A) commencing 13 May 2019

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Good luck to all Year 13 students

The Careers Department wish all Year 13 students every success in their forthcoming exams. Students who require further help with their plans for next year should get in touch with us, as we are more than happy to help even after you have left the Sixth Form.

Year 13 students applying for student finance

If you are planning to start a university course in September 2019, then you must apply for student finance by the **24 May** to guarantee that funding will be in place for when you start your course. Apply via <https://www.gov.uk/student-finance-register-login>. Should you need any help with your application please contact the Careers Department.

Year 13 students applying for apprenticeships and employment

The Careers Department are being advised of potential vacancies so please do get in touch with us to find out more about what opportunities are available.

Interested in a career in Property?

You might want to consider the Pathways to Property Summer School at the University of Reading. Taking place on 22 to 25 July and there are no costs involved. For more details, please see https://live.henley.ac.uk/page/summer-school-2019?utm_source=email&utm_medium=organic&utm_campaign=pure-potential-email-19

Nestle Academy's Ambitions Evening

Nestle are holding a careers information evening on Tuesday 14 May between 5.30 and 8.00pm at Nestle House in York. An ideal opportunity to find out more about apprenticeships on offer. To book your place please contact Alex.Callender@uk.nestle.com ASAP.

Health and Care Careers and Recruitment Event

Are you interested in working or volunteering in the health and care sector? If so, come along to this careers event at Leeds Civic Hall on **Wednesday, 15 May, 4pm-8pm**. See <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/health-and-care-careers-and-recruitment-event-tickets-57694292181> for details.

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Writing Week

There are three places available for the Writing Week in tropical North Wales in July (1 to 6). If you are interested, please see Mr Pickford or Miss Rhodes in the English Department.

Year 13 Attendance Records

May we take this opportunity to remind all Year 13 students that this week is the final opportunity to amend their attendance. We are frequently asked to complete references for employment/courses/gap year opportunities/college /UCAS once students have left the Sixth Form. We would therefore urge ALL students to ensure that there are no unauthorised absences on their school records. The Sixth Form office are more than happy to print out individual attendance data on request. If you think that your attendance can be amended then please arrange to sort this out this week.

Year 13 Destination Forms

Destination forms were distributed during registration, please complete them fully and accurately and return to the Sixth Form Office as soon as possible.

Year 13 Leavers Ball

The Ball will take place at the Pavillions in Harrogate on Friday 28 June from 7pm till midnight. Tickets are now on sale at £37.00, payment is by cash, cheque (payable to St Aidan's & St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form) or ParentPay. To purchase a ticket you need to have completed and returned your Destination Form. Tickets may be purchased from the Sixth Form Office where you can select your meal option, advise of any dietary requirements and put your name on a table. You cannot reserve a table for friendship groups, therefore to ensure you are sat with your friends; it is advisable that you go to the Sixth Form Office and buy your tickets as a group.

The deadline for purchasing a ticket is Friday 17 May.

There are a number of students who have paid for their tickets via ParentPay and still need to come to the Sixth Form Office to reserve their seat on a table and to confirm their meal option. Please do so as soon as possible.

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Year 13 Leavers books

Yearbooks will be available to collect on Wednesday 15 from Ms Strickland's Office all day.

Revision advice

Over the last few weeks we have included revision tips on the Weekly Notices. This advice is the result of research about effective learning methods: we hope that you find it useful and that it will help you to be more effective in your revision than reading through your notes or highlighting, which are popular but less successful approaches.

This week: Interleaving

As we have seen with spaced practice, leaving gaps between studying is very effective but what if you are studying multiple topics within a subject?
Interleaving means mixing it up and not studying all the material at once.

For example, instead of organising your revision week like this:

M	T	W	T	F
MACBETH	AN INSPECTOR CALLS	CREATIVE WRITING	UNSEEN POETRY	JEKYLL AND HYDE
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A much more effective way of organising your revision would be like this:

M	T	W	T	F
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As you are doing this, another highly effective strategy is to try to think of connections between topics you are studying considering similarities and differences.

Studying one topic for a long time can give you the impression you have mastered it but often this can be misleading.

By mixing up or 'interleaving' what you revise and when, you will remember that material far more effectively simply due to the fact that you will have to revisit that material multiple times with more gaps in between.

Thank you