

St Aidan's & St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form

St Aidan's Student Weekly Notices Week (B) commencing 8 October 2018

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Careers Information

Year 12 - interested in Law?

The Pathways to Law programme at the University of Leeds, is designed to give students an insight into what it is like to study and practice law as well as offering a variety of exciting experiences and opportunities to take part in. Applications for the scheme at Leeds close on Monday 29 October. To find out more about eligibility criteria and how to apply, students need to go to <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-law/> and complete the online application form.

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.

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>

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

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 wants 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

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Exam re-sit exams – June 2019

Resit forms with details of costs and the deadline date for return are now available from the Sixth Form Offices at both St Aidan's & St John Fisher. These are also available to download from both school websites under Sixth Form/Exam information.

Sixth Form Examination Handbook – Information for Students 2018-19

The updated student examination handbook was emailed to student's school email addresses on 1 October and a copy of this is also available to download from both school websites under Sixth Form/Examination Information. Students should ensure they familiarise themselves with the contents of this booklet prior to their exams.

General Information

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.

Geography Coursework Catch up

Reminder that Geography Coursework Catch Up starts on Monday evenings from 3.35 till 5.00 at both SJF and St Aidan's. Students who are attending have had a letter home.

Debating Club

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

Year 12 - Ex-St Aidan's Year 11 Students GCSE Presentation Evening

Please return your reply slip before 22 October to advise if you are attending the GCSE Presentation Evening.

Café and Deli bar

All students must take responsibility in ensuring that they pay for all items picked up in the café and deli bar. If any student walks past the tills without paying for an item, they are effectively stealing. This will be dealt with in a serious manner and may result in exclusion.

Fire Grids

Please can you complete the fire grid in your register folder before the end of the week.

The Red Box Project

This year we welcome 'The Red Box Project' to our school, it is a box of sanitary products of all kinds that is kept in the Medical Room. You are welcomed and encouraged to take any products you need for free, no questions asked. Whether you are caught unprepared, short of money, scared of buying them yourself, we are here to support you, period.

Spoken Word Society

Every Tuesday in En5 12:45 – 1:20 open to everyone. We will be doing weekly topics, the first meeting is just an introduction, so please come along.

Year 13 Parents Evening - Thursday 18 October

Appointment slips for students to arrange suitable times with teachers will be in Registration Folders on Monday 8 October

Open Day

Thank you to those students who have offered to help at Sixth Form open morning on Saturday 13 October. Please can you register promptly on Wednesday morning, then come straight to the café for a brief meeting. If anyone else is able to help but hasn't signed up, please come to the meeting.

Thank you