

St Aidan's & St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form

St Aidan's Student Weekly Notices Week (A) commencing 16 March 2020

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Careers Information

Still planning a Gap Year?

We have another gap year talk planned for **Monday 16 March** at lunchtime. Stephen Kirk, a former student is coming into school to talk about his gap year experience which included 3 months in Tanzania with ICS, Operation Raleigh, working and inter-railing. If you want to learn more about the realities of planning and organising a gap year from a student's perspective please come along. The talk will start at 12.45 in the Careers Department.

Bitesize residential at the Newcastle University 14 - 17 July

Newcastle University are hosting a 4 day residential to provide information and opportunities to help Year 12 students make informed decisions about going to university and to find out more about courses available. It is completely free to attend including travel to Newcastle. There is eligibility criteria and to see this plus more details about the residential please see <https://www.ncl.ac.uk/schools/events/residential/bitesize-uni/#overview>

Residential 2020 at Leeds Trinity University 16-18 July

Leeds Trinity University are hosting a 3 day/2 night residential for students interested in finding out more about university life and courses available. This is free of charge and can result in students gaining an extra 8 UCAS points towards their offer from Leeds Trinity should they subsequently apply there. Eligibility criteria applies. For more information and application details please see <https://www.leedstrinity.ac.uk/study/reward-scheme-residential>

Work Experience opportunities for Scientists interested in Biotechnology

FUJIFILM Diosynth Biotechnologies have placements available in June, July and October. They make biologics which are defined as 'A preparation, such as a drug, a vaccine, or an antitoxin, that is synthesized from living organisms and used as a diagnostic, preventive, or therapeutic agent'. A great opportunity for scientists and process/chemical engineers. Fujifilm are based in Billingham, 64 miles from Harrogate and students would be responsible for getting themselves there. For more information please contact the Careers Department or email d.bennett@staidans.co.uk

Oxford and Cambridge Open Days

A reminder that the deadline to hand in reply slips for these trips is Friday 20 March. Make sure you pay on ParentPay and hand in the completed booking form. Any questions, see Dr Murray.

Exam Information

Applied Business/Science/Health and Social Care/IT

If any student wishes to re-sit a unit in any of the above subjects, please complete a re-sit form and return it to Mrs Humphrey by the following dates:

Friday 13 March for Applied Business and Science
Tuesday 17 March for Health and Social Care and IT

Year 12 and Year 13 Exam Clash Letters - Urgent

Students with an exam clash this summer have been given an individual letter detailing arrangements. It is important that you return the acknowledgement slip at the bottom of the letter to Mrs Humphrey, Exams Officer and, if applicable, complete the overnight supervision form you were given with your letter **as soon as possible**.

General Information

EPQ 2020-2021

A polite reminder to Year 12 students interested in undertaking the Extended Project Qualification that sign up forms should be submitted to Ms Strickland by Friday 3 April. If you require a sign-up form, please see your Senior Tutor or Ms Strickland.

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Gold DofE

Gold Duke of Edinburgh Students please note that your kit return and first planning session for your final expedition will be on Tuesday 31 March from 3.40pm to 6pm and the next evening will be after the Easter holidays on Monday 20 April same time and place. It is essential that you come to both sessions. Please try and rearrange shifts at work.

Please Be Aware

The Co-op on St Winifred's have expressed concern about the actions of a small number of students. They do not want to go down the route of employing plain clothes security staff but wish to remind students that they should pay for all goods before leaving the shop. Failure to do so may result in the police being called. Additionally, school lanyards do not constitute ID and students should not be attempting to purchase alcohol or cigarettes during the school day. The Co-op have excellent CCTV and will be forwarding us images of any students causing concern.

Training Day

School is closed for students on Wednesday 18 March.

Thank you