

St Aidan's & St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form

St Aidan's Student Weekly Notices Week (2) commencing 27 September 2021

Exam Information

Admission Tests for Oxford and Cambridge, Biomedical Admissions Test (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.

Test Registrations Open:

- 1 September 2021 – for all tests.

Modified Paper Deadline Date:

- 30 September 2021 – for requests for modified papers by students (e.g. enlarged print/coloured paper etc) for all tests.

Test Registration Deadlines Dates:

- 1 October 2021 – Biomedical Admissions test (BMAT) or Test of Maths for University Admission (TMUA) – Standard Fee.
- 15 October 2021 – University of Cambridge Pre-interview Assessments or University of Oxford Admission Tests (Please note: for BMAT/TMUA - higher late fee applies).
- 15 October 2021 – deadline to apply for reimbursement of registration fees.

Access Arrangements Deadline Date:

- 15 October 2021 – for requests for exam access arrangements (e.g. extra time) for all tests

Test Dates:

3 November 2021 AT 9.00 AM – BMAT, CAT, ECAA, ENGAA, MAT, MLAT, NSAA, OLAT & Philosophy Test

4 November 2021 AT 9.00 AM – ELAT, HAT, PAT, TMUA, TSA (Oxford) & TSA S1 (Cambridge)

- NB: The following tests are computer based and will therefore be taken by students in the Bede IT room - BMAT, TMUA, TSA & TSA S1
- Test venue for all other written tests: tbc but will be held at St Aidan's.

Cost of Entry:

- BMAT - £61.00 (Standard Fee) £95.00 (Higher Late Fee)
- TMUA - £57.00 (Standard Fee) £79.00 (Higher Late Fee)
- All other tests are free to enter

General Information

Year 13 Geographers

Monday 4 October and Tuesday 5 October all Year 13 Geographers will be off timetable for both days in order to carry out geography fieldwork. Students will remain on school site and will be expected to be in uniform. Please make sure other teachers are aware and any work missed is caught up on as soon as possible. More information will be given out in lessons over the coming week.

Psychology Drop-in Session

Year 12 and Year 13 Psychology drop-in sessions are on Tuesday lunchtimes 12:40 - 13:20 in PS3 (SA) and G33 (SJF). Come and get help with your work, have a quiet place to study (Psychology) or just simply come for a chat anything psychological. Feel free to bring your lunch.

Maths Drop-in Session

There is a Maths drop in session Wednesday period 4 in Ma10 with Mr Christy for Year 12 students (provided Year 12 don't have EEP) and in Ma1 with Mr Daly for Year 13 students.

Year 13 Biology Enrichment Sessions/ Oxbridge interview preparation

Sessions will be held on Tuesdays 12.35 in Bi2, starting Tuesday 28 September. They will broaden your understanding of biology beyond the syllabus and prepare for the Cambridge entrance exam and university interviews. All those aiming for the highest grade in Biology welcome. Any queries please see Mrs Shannon.

Year 13 Medic and Vet Enrichment Sessions

Sessions will be held on Wednesdays 12.30 – 1.00, En10 in Bede, starting Wednesday 29 September. MMI preparation, discussions of medical ethics, treatments, diseases, reflection on experiences. Boost your Personal Statement and prepare for interviews. Any queries please see Dr Bryant.

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Law Ambassador Programme for Year 12 students:

Please contact Mr Taylor at p.taylor@staidans.co.uk if you would like to find out more about this exciting opportunity. The programme has been designed by a prominent law school in Leeds to introduce you to the world of law. Applications are due by 6 October and can be emailed to Mr Taylor or the supervisor at BPP Law School, Bethan Oates, at BethanOates@BPP.com. The launch event will take place on 3 November in Leeds (details TBC).

16-19 Bursary

Information regarding the 16-19 Bursary has been given to all Year 12 and Year 13 students via assembly and can also be found on the St Aidan's website <https://www.staidans.co.uk/sixth-form/bursary-applications/>. Applications are welcome from all eligible Year 12 and Year 13 students, the deadline for applications is **Monday 27 September**. Please note you do not have to have been in receipt of a bursary in Year 12 to be eligible to apply for a bursary in Year 13. Any queries please see Mrs Gumbley in the Sixth Form Office.

Gold DofE

Anybody who is interested in taking part in the Gold Duke of Edinburgh award this year please visit the Duke of Edinburgh website at www.dofe.org where you can find out more information about what is involved on the award. Initiative and independence are at the heart of the Duke of Edinburgh Award. You choose and arrange the activities for the different sections of the award and you plan and undertake your expedition! If that sounds interesting please go and collect an application form from Miss Blewitt in DT on Monday 27 September. Closing date for applications is 11 October 2021.

Open Day Saturday 16 October

On Saturday 16 October we will be holding an Open Morning for students wishing to join the Sixth Form. This is an opportunity for prospective students and their parents/carers to come and look round the school and meet staff and existing students. Although we appreciate we didn't hold an in person Open Day last year we would be grateful if current Sixth Form students could help in school on the morning of Saturday 16 October. Further details to follow.

Relief Cleaner Vacancies

Please see the email sent on Monday 20 September regarding Relief cleaner job vacancies. Please note that working will be after school, days and times to be discussed at interview. The vacancies are for cleaning of classrooms and corridors and pay is £10.57 per hour. Any questions please email j.smith@staidans.co.uk

Reminder

- Students should continue to remain on their home site during supervised study, free periods, break and lunch for the time being.
- No food or drink allowed in the Sixth Form study centre other than water.
- Please ensure you do not leave any litter on the stray. Please clear up after yourselves.

Thank you