

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

## St Aidan's Student Weekly Notices Week (1) commencing 7 March 2022

### **Assemblies**

Year 12 **Virtual** Assembly – Tuesday 8 March

Year 13 **Virtual** Assembly – Thursday 10 March

### **EEP (Employability, Enrichment, Pastoral)**

This week the groups that should go to EEP in their timetabled rooms are AD14, AR10, BP1, ER7, PT17, RI22. All remaining students should go to the Sixth Form Study Centre, Library, café or to the Maths drop-in session with Mr Christy in Ma10. A reminder to all students that you must stay on site.

### **Maths Drop-in Session**

There are Maths drop-in sessions 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.

### **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.

### **Year 13 Geography NEA support**

- Every Tuesday lunchtime 12.30-1.30 at SJF in G30.
- Every Thursday lunchtime 12.30-1.30 at SA in GG1.

Come along to ask any questions about your NEA. Keep on track, check ideas out with teachers, use resources and look at past examples of work. Just drop in for a quick question or stay to work.

### **Year 13 Chemistry**

A Level Chemistry drop-in sessions will continue to take place at St Aidan's on a Monday lunchtime in room Ch4, and on Wednesday and Friday lunchtimes in room F18 at St John Fisher. Come along with any questions on topics, homework you want help with, or to just work in a chemistry lab with a teacher around. You are welcome to attend at either site, it does not matter which class you are in. You may stay for five minutes or the whole hour!

### **Year 12 Maths, Physics and Chemistry support**

The University of Birmingham is offering free online tutorials and support for Year 12 students who are aiming to study Chemistry, Physics, Maths or Materials Science at university. The programme prioritises categories of students including those in receipt of a 16-19 Bursary and those who are currently under-represented in their subject at undergraduate level (eg those who identify as female and black, Asian or minority ethnic students). Please see further information and how to apply at the bottom of the weekly notices.

### **Sheffield University Competitions: Year 12**

We have been informed of two competitions organised by the University of Sheffield.

Prizes are £25 vouchers plus invitations to take part in special virtual workshops involving academics and current students.

Closing date 22 April in each case. Full details available from the links below.

- The University of Sheffield East Asian Studies Competition is open to students in Years 10, 11 and 12 in the UK, and is run by the School of East Asian Studies at the University of Sheffield. The closing date for entries is Friday 22 April, 5pm. Only one entry per student is permitted. Full terms and conditions can be found on the [website](#).
- The 2022 Philosophy Essay Competition from the University of Sheffield is now open. Full details can be found on the [website](#).

### **Amnesty International UK - It is better to light a candle than curse the darkness.**

Amnesty meet in DL1 every Wednesday at 12.30. All welcome. We are hoping to consider fundraising this week: cakes, daft things, dressing as Christmas trees. Please come with some good ideas. Some of the money will go to support the Ukrainian people in the war.

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## **Debating Club**

This week Debating Club will meet on Tuesday in Hu1 from 12.30. All welcome.

## **RYLA – Leadership Development Course**

This course is an opportunity to experience and learn things about yourself, about working in a team but more importantly about leading and supervising other people. It is open to young people aged 16-17 years old. There are 2 courses which take place at Hebden Hey Scout Hostel near Hebden Bridge:

Sunday 24 July – Friday 29 July

Sunday 31 July – Friday 5 August

Anyone who is interested can email Mrs Orton at [k.orton@staidans.co.uk](mailto:k.orton@staidans.co.uk) for further information and, if you wish to be considered, please send your CV to Mrs Orton by 4pm on Tuesday 15 March.

## **Year 13 Hoodies**

These will be available to order soon. Please keep a check on your emails as there will be a tight turnaround.

## **Year 13 Leavers' Book**

Two assignments will be posted on Teams for the collection of photos for the Yearbook. Deadline for uploading is Monday 21 March

Thank you



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Online tutoring for 6<sup>th</sup> form students in  
mathematics, physics and chemistry



## Levelling Up: Online tutoring and mentoring in Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry

If you are in Year 12 and are interested in studying mathematics, physics, chemistry, materials science or a related subject at degree level then you are invited to apply for our *free* programme of online tutorials and support called 'Levelling Up'. You can choose one of these subjects in which to receive tutoring and this should be the main subject you think you will apply to university to study.

### Key Benefits for Participants

- This programme will support you to achieve the grades you need to study maths, physics, chemistry or materials science courses at university.
- You will meet university students at the University of Birmingham to get a taste of what to expect from studying at degree level.
- You will receive help and advice to support your UCAS application for maths, physics, chemistry or materials science.



Apply now here  
using the QR code or:  
<https://forms.office.com/r/qVs1zeTKPU>



### What is involved?

Weekly 1 hour Zoom call on Wednesdays at 6pm in school term time between April 2022 and Spring 2023. The sessions are in small groups and led by trained, current undergraduate or post-graduate students. Self-study materials are provided for you to work through in between sessions.. There is a 3 weekly cycle of activity:

#### Week 1 – Independent Learning

Working on questions and problems, on a specific curriculum theme in your chosen subject.

#### Week 2 – Online Tutorial

Work with a tutor in a small group to build on the independent learning

#### Week 3 – Mentoring

Discuss issues relating to university application in your chosen subject.

### Am I eligible?

We have a limited number of places available and for this program we prioritise applicants from under-represented groups in higher education. Full details of eligibility and more information about Levelling Up can be found on our website here:

<https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/university/colleges/eps/outreach/events/levelling-up-scheme.aspx>

#### More questions?

Please contact us by email address at [levellingup@contacts.bham.ac.uk](mailto:levellingup@contacts.bham.ac.uk)