

St Aidan's & St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form

St Aidan's Student Weekly Notices Week (2) commencing 12 September 2022

Congratulations and thanks to all students for the way in which you have started the term. We are looking forward to an exciting year.

Assembly

Year 12 – No assembly

Year 13 – Assembly – Thursday 15 September – CD – Bursary Information

Living Well

All Year 12 students should go to their timetabled rooms on Wednesday Period 4.

GCSE English and Maths re-sits in November 2022

Any students not in a GCSE English Language or Maths re-sit class in school who wish to re-sit either GCSE English Language or GCSE Maths in the November 2022 exam series must see Mrs Humphrey, Exams Officer for the Associated Sixth Form, **as soon as possible** to collect a re-sit entry form. NB: The school have to submit entries for this exam series to the Exam Boards **by 4 October 2022**.

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 2022

Modified Paper Deadline Date: 16 September 2022 – for requests for modified papers by students (e.g. enlarged print/coloured paper etc) for ALL tests.

Test Registration & Exam Access Arrangements (e.g. extra time, use of a word processor etc) Deadline Date: 30 September 2022 for ALL tests

Test Dates:

18 October 2022 at 9.00 am – BMAT & TMUA

19 October 2022 at 9.00 am – ENGAA & NSAA

2 November 2022 AT 9.00 AM – CAT, MAT, MLAT, OLAT, Oxford ELAT, HAT, PAT, TSA, TSA 1 and Philosophy Test

Test Venue will be confirmed to students after deadline date has passed but all tests will be held at St Aidan's.

Cost of Entry:

- BMAT - £75.00
- TMUA - £75.00

All other tests are free to enter

Young People's Essay Writing Competition

Harrogate School of Theology and Mission is delighted to sponsor an essay writing competition for those aged 18 or under. There is a prize of £100 for the winner. One submission per student and it must be the entrants own independent, original work. We have chosen the topic of science and religion because our first speaker of the season is Tom McLeish, Professor of Natural Philosophy in the Department of Physics at the University of York and a Christian. He will be giving a lecture for the Harrogate School of Theology and Mission on 24 September 2022 at St Marks Church, Harrogate, entitled: Faith and Wisdom in Science - an approach to a Theology of Science. Any under 18s attending the lecture get free entry (which includes a continental breakfast).

The details are as follows:

- Essay title: Is God or science the most rational way to explain the universe? Are they inevitably opposed ways of understanding why we are here?
- Word count: 1000 words maximum
- Submit entries to: revd.linda.boon@gmail.com
- Closing date: 30 September 2022 Submit entries to: revd.linda.boon@gmail.com

For more details of this competition and HST&M generally, see website: <http://hstm.org.uk>

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Opportunities in the Music Department

- **Chamber Choir** - Please head to the Music Department if you are interested in signing up to audition for the Sixth Form Chamber Choir. Auditions are taking place at lunchtime on Friday 9, Tuesday 13, Wednesday 15 and Friday 16 of September and rehearsals will start Wednesday 21 September. Year 12 and 13 can audition and do not worry if you don't have much experience (especially boys!) This year's rehearsals are Wednesdays after school and Friday lunchtimes.
- **Swing band** – If you play a Big Band instrument and are interested in joining our Swing Band, we have vacancies for alto and tenor sax, trumpet and trombone. Please sign up on the Swing Band notice board in the Music Department. Auditions are on Monday 12 September, at lunchtime and after school. Rehearsals will be on a Thursday after school.
- **Symphonic Band** - Any newcomers who play a wind, brass and percussion instrument at grade 5 standard would be very welcome to join Symphonic band - please see Mr Elliott in the Music Department asap! Rehearsals are on a Monday after school.
- **Symphony Orchestra** – If you play an orchestral instrument, we would love you to be in our orchestra. Rehearsals are on a Tuesday after school or see Mrs Leonard in the Music Department for more details.

Sixth Form Sport

All welcome please just turn up:

- Basketball – Monday after school – Sports Hall
- Hockey – Monday after school – Astro turf
- Football – Thursday after school – 3G pitch
- Netball – Thursday after school – Netball courts (near RS block)

In addition, please watch this space for details on the application process to represent St Aidan's Sixth Form sport as a Sports Ambassador.

Cross-Country Running

Anyone interested in cross-country running please see Dr Bryant in the Biology Office.

Thank you