

St Aidan's & St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form

St Aidan's Student Weekly Notices Week (2) commencing 27 February 2023

Assembly

Year 12 – No assembly

Year 13 – CGH assembly – Thursday 2 March – KCO – Year 13 Yearbook

Living Well – First Aid

All students should go to CGH on Wednesday Period 4. Please arrive promptly at 1.30.

Summer 2023 student individual exam timetables

- Exam timetables were given out during registration on Monday 20 February to all Year 13 students and those Year 12 students who study Level 3 Applied courses or AS/Core Maths. Students with exam clashes will also have received their individual clash letter detailing how their clash will be resolved and it is important that they return the tear off slip at the bottom of their letter or email Mrs Humphrey to acknowledge receipt of this.
- Year 12 internal exam timetables were given out in Registration on Friday 24 February.
- Please check the personal details quoted on your individual exam timetables and let Mrs Humphrey, Exams Officer, know as soon as possible if anything needs to be changed or if you think an exam entry is missing or have other exam related queries.

A copy of the Exam Information Handbook for students/parents is available on the school websites under Sixth Form/Sixth Form Information.

STEP Paper

Registration for Step Paper 2 and Paper 3 opens on 1 March and costs £93 per paper. Dates are 8 June (STEP 2) and 21 June (STEP 3) both starting at 9.00 am (3-hour papers). Please let Mrs Humphrey, Exams Officer, know if you wish to enter.

Maths Drop-in Session

There is a Maths drop-in session Wednesday Period 4 with Mrs Mooney in Ma6.

Year 13 Geography Revision

Every Monday lunchtime from 12.40-1.30 in Gg1 (St Aidan's). Focus on exam technique. All Year 13 Geographers welcome. Bring lunch with you or eat before.

Psychology Revision

Psychology revision sessions (Psychology block St Aidan's). Tuesday (Y12 content) and Thursday (Y13 content) lunchtimes from 12:40-13:15. All welcome, bring your lunch so we can start promptly.

Year 13 Sociology Revision

The Sociology Department will be running weekly sessions for exam skills (10-mark focus) and content revision for Year 13 students. All sessions except the one on the 21 March will be in RS1 in St Aidan's at 12:30 pm and will run for approximately 30 minutes.

- Education: Wednesday 1 March
- Theory: Wednesday 8 March
- Families: Tuesday 14 March
- Media Tuesday 21 March G5 St John Fishers
- Crime: Wednesday 22 March
- Research Methods: Wednesday 29 March

All Year 13 Sociology Students are welcome to attend.

Year 13 A Level Business Revision

Drop-in sessions are available to those Year 13 students studying Business at St Aidan's. If you need any help with revision for your exams; bring your problems along on a Friday lunch time, 12.45 – 1.20, to BU1 for a chat and we can talk it through.

Debating Club

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

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Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)

Do you have an interest you'd like to explore further? Or perhaps you'd like to extend your learning beyond one of your A Level subjects? If so, the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) could fulfil that wish. The EPQ is an opportunity for you to take the lead on developing your independent research and study skills while researching a topic that you're passionate about. You'll learn report-writing and presentation skills, conduct research and analyse and evaluate your findings, and complete your project with either a written report or by creating an artefact.

- This student-led qualification puts you in charge and can enhance performance in your A Level subjects and beyond into higher education and the workplace.
- Worth half an A Level and counting towards UCAS points, having an EPQ will help you to stand out from the crowd in university applications, plus many universities will give lower A Level offers to students with an EPQ. Research has shown that EPQ students have an increased chance of achieving an A*-B at A Level and are more likely to obtain a 1st or 2:1 at university.
- Your EPQ study would start after May half term and the final EPQ project is handed in during the Spring term of Year 13, well before your final A Level exams.
- You can collect a sign-up form from Mrs Robinson in GG5 or Mrs Nightingale. There will be an assembly before Easter to find out more. Alternatively, please see Mrs Robinson in GG5 (STA) or Mrs Nightingale (SJF) with any questions.

Rooms for Quiet study Period 4

The following rooms are available for quiet study Period 4:

- Monday P4 - PS1
- Tuesday P4 - PS3
- Wednesday P4 - CH3, HI3, HI4, ML2, ML5, ML6, PS2, PS3
- Thursday P4 - EN3, EN5, EN6, EN8, PS2
- Friday P4 - CH2, GG3, GG5, HI1, HI2, HI3, MA6, PH6, RS2

Sixth Form Tennis

If you are interested in playing tennis in the Sixth Form, then please see Mr Maullin in the PE office by Friday 3 March. We have entered a competition and our first fixture is at the end of March.

Year 13 Yearbook

• Quotes

Quotes for the Yearbook are going to be gathered in form time (these must be inputted into a word document by form teachers). The quotes will be positioned beneath each student's photo. Students will have up to 35 words each to say thanks and goodbye. These messages must be sensible and appropriate with no hidden meaning and must not make reference/comments to any named individuals within school. If a student doesn't give a quote, then the space will be either left blank or a generic quote will be placed there.

• Photobooth

Senate and Congress are arranging a photobooth with props from the Drama Departments, Marketing Manager Mrs Caine will spend two lunchtimes in St Aidan's Sixth Form café, taking photobooth shots Tues/Weds (28 Feb/1 Mar) and two lunchtimes at SJF Sixth Form café Thurs/Fri (2/3 Mar). The same week Mrs Caine will take group pics around the Sixth Form cafés at both sites, of Year 13 students during break Tue/Wed (28 Feb/1 Mar) at St Aidan's and Thurs/Fri (2/3 Mar) at SJF.

Industrial Action Tuesday 28 February

- Year 12 – are not obliged to attend school however a supervised study area will be available for students to come into school and work on Tuesday but please advise the Sixth Form office in advance if you are intending to do this – via attendanceofficer6thform@staidans.co.uk
- Year 13 – are expected in school and in their lessons on Tuesday. Students will be registered in form but, if for any reason they are not registered in form they need to sign in at the Sixth Form office on arrival at school, so we know that they are on site.

Thank you