

Careers Department Notices

w/c: 11th September



Welcome back Year 13!

We hope all our students have had a fantastic summer break and are feeling excited and ready for Year 13. We are looking forward to working with you all this year.

Weekly Focus: Application Deadlines

A reminder of the **school deadlines** and **important dates** for Post 18 applications are as follows:

These are the deadline dates students need to adhere to, rather than dates published on the UCAS website.

- UCAS Conservatoire Music courses: **19th September**
- Oxbridge, Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary applications: **26th September**
- All other UCAS applications: **17th October**
- Apprenticeships begin to be advertised: **October onwards**
- Art & Design Foundation Diploma: **22nd November**
- Bulk of Apprenticeships with Autumn start date begin to be advertised: **January Onwards**

Admission Tests Reminder—Registration is now open for 2023 admissions tests. Those students applying for courses requiring an admission test must see Mrs. Humphrey in the Sixth Form Office asap.

UCAS Application tips

- There are lots of resources available on the school website to help you draft your **personal statement**:

[Personal Statement Preparation \(staidans.co.uk\)](https://staidans.co.uk/Personal-Statement-Preparation)

[Personal-Statement-Tips-Factsheet.pdf \(staidans.co.uk\)](https://staidans.co.uk/Personal-Statement-Tips-Factsheet.pdf)

[Super-Curricular-Engagement-for-Post-18-Applications-1.pdf \(staidans.co.uk\)](https://staidans.co.uk/Super-Curricular-Engagement-for-Post-18-Applications-1.pdf)

There is also lots of useful advice and guides on the UCAS website [Explore | UCAS](#) .

Please book an appointment asap if you would like help with your personal statement.

- In order to meet the school deadline for UCAS submission , you can choose to include the courses and institutions you have fully decided on and then add other choices through the **UCAS Hub** once you have made further decisions.
- If you are unable to attend an open event at for a university of your choice, remember that you can usually access virtual tours online and you may also be able to visit at an alternative time by contacting the admission team for the department—this is a useful way to help consider if your choices are right for you.
- Once you have used all five choices and they have been processed by UCAS, you **cannot replace your choices**, without declining all your other offers and entering [UCAS Extra](#).



Careers Appointments

Careers appointments slots fill up very quickly, particularly during the Autumn term. To help us to help you when you need it, please remember:

- Call 01423 818534, email careersstaff@staidans.co.uk, or call up to see us in Bede to book
- Ideally, try and give us at least one weeks' notice
- Include in your email to the days/times of your private/supervised study periods
- Let us know if you are unable to attend an appointment to allow us to offer the slot to another student

Extra Curricular and Virtual Opportunities

Below is a selection of enrichment opportunities offered by Universities, Colleges, Employers and Apprenticeship Providers.

Please note, if you would like to take part in an event during lesson time, this must first be authorised by a member of the Sixth Form Team.

- **Cambridge Applicant Webinars**

A reminder that Cambridge are running a range of applicant webinars between now and November. Register [here](#) for the list of remaining sessions

- **Ethics Lecture Series**

A series of talk on Ethics with British theologian, Dr. Peter Vardy, St. Cuthbert's Church, Pateley Bridge, 6.30-8pm.

All are welcome. This term's talks are:

Weds 4th Oct: Euthanasia and Death

Ethical questions about whether euthanasia and assisted suicide should be legal and related questions on whether there is a life after death and what form this may take. Alternative approaches to these issues will also be explored.

Weds 8th Nov: Sex, Fertility, Reproduction & Marriage

Ethical issues around new scientific advances to respond to infertility raise important ethical issues together with an exploration of the nature of sexual relationships in an increasingly secular world.

Weds 6th Dec: Can Wars Be Just?

When is it morally right to fight and how should wars be fought? The conflict in Ukraine will be used to illustrate these issues and the use of modern technology in warfare.

- **Incorporating a Foreign Language into your degree**, Friday 29th Sept, 12.45pm, Careers Department

Hear from a Modern Foreign Languages professor at Durham University on the benefits of including language modules within your degree programme and the opportunities this may lead to.

Upcoming Careers Department Events

Medicine, Dentistry & Vet Medicine Talk

12.45pm, Weds 20th Sept
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