

# THE SIXTH

16–20 December 2024

THIS WEEK...

CELEBRATING  
SUCSESSES AND  
PREPARING FOR  
2025

Take some time to celebrate achievements and set new goals for the upcoming term.

Students should also seek to consider how they plan to take a break over the next 2 weeks and recharge for the next term.

## WEAR SOMETHING CHRISTMASSY

On **Thursday 19th December**, students can wear an item that is Christmassy along with their school uniform. This could be a Christmas jumper, a Santa hat or just a piece of tinsel. We are asking for a donation on Parent Pay that will go to Save the Children.

## STAFF KARAOKE

Staff will be taking to the microphone in the Main Hall on **Thursday 19th December** for the annual staff karaoke show. Students can buy tickets for this event for £1 from the Finance & MIS office (old school shop). Both cash and card are accepted and all proceeds will go to Save the Children.

## LAST DAY OF TERM

A reminder that we break up for the Christmas holidays on Friday at 12.15pm. As is usual on an early finish, buses will not be running.

**Monday 6th January** is an INSET Day. Students return to school on **Tuesday 7th January**.

Lynn High School  
Sixth Form



# WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK



Please [click here](#)  
to view the  
Assessment calendar,  
which includes  
key dates for the  
year ahead.

## CALENDAR

16–20 December 2024

DAY	YEAR 12	YEAR 13	OTHER EVENTS
MONDAY	Weekly Reset The Sixth / Mentoring	Weekly Reset The Sixth / Mentoring	
TUESDAY	Celebration Assembly	Christmas Quiz	Y13 Apprenticeship/ Employment students Carol Concert, p.3
WEDNESDAY	Check-in and chat	Check-in and chat	Manchester Christmas Markets rewards trip
THURSDAY	Christmas Quiz	Celebration Assembly	Wear something Christmassy and Staff Karaoke (see p.1)
FRIDAY	Church Assembly	Church Assembly	Early finish at 12.15pm



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# CAROL SERVICE

ST PETER'S CHURCH  
TUESDAY 17TH DECEMBER,  
6PM

# NEWS



## Christmas lunch



# NEWS



## Christmas tree competition



Well done to Year 13 for winning the Christmas tree competition! The winning design (right) featured various Christmas themed 'baubles'. The Year 12 design incorporated special Mr Mullin silver hearts.

The trees were a fitting focus for the Christmas lunch on **Thursday 12th December** (see p.4).



## BIRTHDAYS

I. Aspinall

M. Bell

S. Chambers

R. Compton

H. Dobson

E. Doherty

L. Gomulko

E. Hennessey

H. Hughes

M. Hunt

L. Kay

M. Matthews

R. Matthews

S. McGrath

C. Ozkara

F. Penny

M. Regan

B. Salmon

E. Simons

S. Swindell

D. Waiswa

T. Ward



# GCHQ Christmas Challenge



The GCHQ Christmas Challenge

1, 2, 3, 4    11, 7, 5, 2    6, 14, 8, 10    20, 19, 11, 15    18, 4, 6, 11    16, 4, 5, 6    4, 9, 2, 6



# GCHQ Christmas Challenge



Each of the seven puzzles below will lead you to the name of a UK landmark. Use the names of these landmarks, and the front cover of the card, to discover what people across all of our GCHQ locations will be this Christmas.

1

What does this say?



4

Solve the clues. Only write in each square the single letter, if any, which appears in both the across answer and the down answer.

	Indian butter (4)			
	___ Voldemort, or ___ Asriel (4)			
	Football anti-racism campaign (4, 2, 3)			
	Woodwind reed instrument (7)			
	Material that jeans are made from (5)			
	Slang word for food (from a pub?) (4)			
	Latin dance (3-3-3)			
	Life ____, free ____, or hair ____ (5)			

2

What are you left with once you've removed the award, carrier, character, programme, route, and safety guide?

Black	Brick	Badge
Pink	Cross	Bag
Blue	Panther	Code
Brown	Paper	Hood
Green	Peter	Road
Yellow	Pool	Show
Red	Riding	Tower

5

Replace the words in brackets:

An American (soldier) named Joe said that avoiding a huge colony of (insects) was the (basis) of him losing his (path).

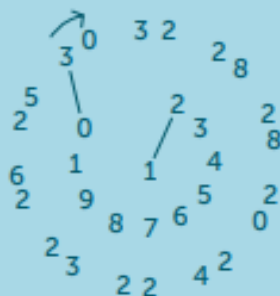
3

Complete the sequences:

- TROIS, DEUX, \_\_
- II, III, \_\_, V
- OD, \_\_, IM
- QG, RH, \_\_
- QW, ER, \_\_
- JOAN, \_\_, ARC
- DLA, NOD, \_\_, DLO
- GRE, AT, \_\_, TA, IN
- KNO, WLE, \_\_

6

We wrote the numbers 1-20 in order below, but made some mistakes. Calculate how far off we were.



7

PERHAPS READING the start of this substitution cipher will help you solve it.

ISKGWIM KSWEDBU BN DFN LBIGSKSE BM IKBCWKBOX W QSWEDBU BDEBLWNBFD NF XFO  
MFQPBUD NGBM WECBNNSEQX ESPBFOM BDBNBWQQX ODKSWEWAQS CSMMWUS.

Follow us or scan the QR code to find the answers soon.

[www.gchq.gov.uk/xmas2024](http://www.gchq.gov.uk/xmas2024)



# REVISION SUPPORT



## Year 13 revision sessions

	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Room</b>
<b>Monday</b>	Economics (A week)	1.15–2pm	S106
<b>Wednesday</b>	Sociology	1.30–2pm	S109





# Year 12 mA\*ths Online Programme



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The University of Manchester

mA\*ths  
Online  
Programme

## Are you in Year 12 and studying A-level Maths ?



Applications for the Year 12 mA\*ths Online Programme are now open and will close at 9am on Thursday, 2 January 2025.



Develop the skills you need to achieve an A\* / A in A-level Maths & Receive tailored online support and on-campus masterclasses



This is a free programme and we are seeking to work with students who are under-represented in Higher Education. Eligibility criteria apply.

**"I can't describe how helpful my tutors have been! I am being exposed to many different types of maths problems and it's helped improve my Maths grade at A level."**

*mA\*ths Online programme Y12 participant*



[uom.link/mathsonline](https://uom.link/mathsonline)

←  
**SCAN ME**



[mathsonline@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:mathsonline@manchester.ac.uk)

# FUTURES

# OPPORTUNITIES



St John's  
**inspire**  
programme

## St John's Study Days

St John's College, Oxford, runs several Study Days in a variety of subjects during the academic year for Year 12 students. These are run by academics at the university, and offer high achieving students a chance to further explore subjects they may be interested in studying at university.

This year it is offering:

- Chemistry 26th February 2025
- History and History of Art 12th March 2025
- Medicine and Biomedical Sciences (online) 15th March 2025
- Classics and Ancient History 23rd April 2025
- Psychology 2nd May 2025
- Maths and Computer Science 14th May 2025
- English 16th May 2025

Study Days are free to attend, and travel awards are on offer for students who may otherwise not be able to attend. Students apply individually through the QR code below.

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP**

**Applications will close 5 weeks  
before each Study Day**



In addition, the university is running its popular Classics and Ancient History Essay Competition (see overleaf). Cash prizes are on offer for the best essays, including a bonus prize for the best essay from a student who has not studied the Classical world before.

St John's College is excited to welcome applications for the

**2024-25**

**ENTRIES BY  
3RD MARCH  
2025**

# CLASSICS & ANCIENT HISTORY COMPETITION

## ESSAY TITLES

**Year 12 students** are invited to conduct a piece of independent research which will be read and evaluated by an Oxford tutor.

**Choose one from the following titles:**

- Does ancient literature equate might with right?
- Why did monarchies succeed in Greek and/or Roman history?
- Was Plato right that the best rulers are reluctant ones?
- How important was the visual representation of women for expressing royal and/or imperial power in the ancient world?

## AWARDS GIVEN FOR

Best essay in each category

Best overall essay

Best essay by a student new to Classical or Ancient subjects.

**TO ENTER  
SCAN  
ME**



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## Thinking of a gap year?

Becoming a Yipiyap tutor offers:

- A competitive salary package.
- The chance to develop professional skills that will make you stand out to employers.
- An accredited CPD programme, which will look good on your CV.
- A national team of like-minded people for social and enrichment events.
- The chance to improve the lives of young people every day.

To find out more, [click here](#).

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## Women in Computer Science Programme

*Deadline for applications: Sunday 26th January 2025*

This is a sustained programme running over 6 months that gives female and non-binary students in Year 12 an insight into what studying Computer Science at university is like. It doesn't require any previous experience studying Computer Science and would also be well suited to those with an interest in Mathematics.

The programme involves seminars which introduce students to different areas of Computer Science, and completing a research project in an area of their choice under the guidance of a current University of Cambridge student. All students who submit a completed research project will be invited to a residential event in Cambridge to celebrate their achievement. Offers will be given out to students who demonstrate active engagement in the [Women in Computer Science seminars](#).

You can learn more about the programme and find the application form on [this webpage](#).



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MENTOR   
YOUR MEDIC FAMILY

## Get into Medicine Conference

*Saturday 14th December, 9.30–3.30pm*

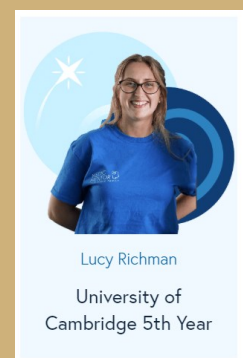
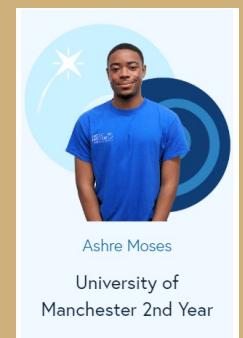
The final, free virtual Get into Medicine Conference of 2024 is this Saturday. We highly recommend Year 12 students attend a conference before January to get ahead in their applications. Medic Mentor is a trusted organisation that can provide the most comprehensive guidance on working as a doctor and the UCAS application process, including:

- GMC duties of a doctor
- Structure of the NHS and medical wider-reading
- Application timelines
- UCAT entrance exam
- How to strategically choose medical schools
- Advice on medically relevant extra-curricular activities
- Overview of the changes to personal statements
- Interview skills
- Free work experience
- Free volunteering with the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund
- Access to Medic Mentor Academic Scholarships to study Medicine at university

Students will be awarded a 'Certificate of Attendance' from the Medical Director and the live conference will give them a chance to speak to doctors and medical students directly, making the experience invaluable for personal statements and interviews.

Students can register using [this link](#).

To learn about the network of successful students who have also attended these conferences over the last 10 years, [click here](#).



## Key Apprenticeship Links

- [Current apprenticeships in the Warrington area](#)
- [Higher & Degree Apprenticeship Vacancies - October 2024](#)
- [Cheshire and West Apprenticeship Opportunities](#)
- [Search for an apprenticeship – GOV.UK](#)
- [A Guide to Traineeships and Apprenticeships - Lymm Sixth Form](#)
- [Not Going To Uni - Search for Opportunities](#)
- [Liverpool John Moores University - Apprenticeships Courses](#)
- [Manchester Metropolitan University - Become A Degree Apprentice](#)
- [Apprenticeships | University of Salford](#)
- [Programmes - Apprenticeships - The University of Manchester](#)
- [Search apprenticeships | UCAS](#)
- [NHS Apprenticeships](#)
- [Linkedin - Degree Apprenticeships](#)



## Need More Help?

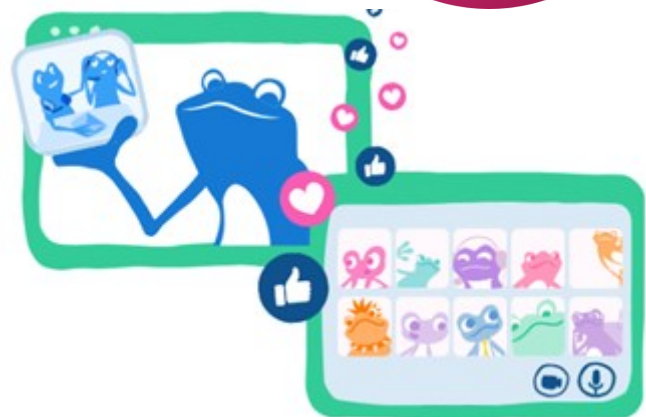
Our Careers Advisor, Ms Draper, is available for one-on-one support. Contact Mr Brown at Sixth Form Student Services to book an appointment (nbrown@lymmhigh.org.uk).

## Register for New Degree Apprenticeship Alerts:

- [Indeed](#)
- [Total Jobs](#)
- [Rate My Apprenticeship](#)
- [Prospects](#)

## Virtual Apprenticeship Fair

Wednesday 12th February 2025, 4–6.30pm



The virtual Apprenticeship Fair is back for National Apprenticeship Week 2025 (10–14th February 2025). Students are invited to meet up to 40 employers in 2 hours.

From finance to healthcare, and retail to the armed forces, students can discover opportunities in a diverse range of sectors at all qualification levels from intermediate to degree apprenticeships.

Last year, over 1000 students joined the fair. Teachers, advisors, parents and carers are all welcome to come along and listen to live sessions and chat directly to employers.

To Sign up, [click here](#).





## Apprenticeship Spotlight



**babcock™**

<b>Company:</b>	Babcock International
<b>Qualification:</b>	Project Controls Degree Apprenticeship (BSc (Hons) Degree in Project Controls.)
<b>Location:</b>	Warrington
<b>Degree Provider:</b>	London Metropolitan College
<b>Salary:</b>	£22,008 per annum
<b>Start date:</b>	September 2025
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	March 2025 (or sooner)

To find out more and apply, [click here](#).

# CAREERS

Our [careers website](#) includes a [calendar of events](#), [labour market information](#) and a link to [Unifrog](#).



In Cheshire and Warrington, the industry sectors that are growing include life science, digital & technology, logistics & distribution, energy, zero carbon and clean growth. Find out more [here](#).

Key sectors with significant levels of employment are: chemicals, manufacturing & engineering, finance & business services, and health & social care.

## Upcoming Events

- **Get into Medicine Conference**  
*Saturday 14th December, 9.30–3.30pm (Virtual)*
- **Liverpool Hope University: Post-16 Taster Day in Theology, Philosophy & Religious Studies and Social Science**  
*Wednesday 22nd January, 9.30–2.30pm*
- **Manchester Metropolitan University: Support with your UCAS application**  
*Saturday 18th January 2025, 10–11am*  
*Wednesday 22nd January 2025, 5–6pm*
- **Gain Virtual work experience with the NHS**  
*Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January, 5pm (Teams)*
- **Virtual Apprenticeship Fair**  
*Wednesday 12th February 2025, 4–6.30pm*

For details of all these events and more, [click here](#).

## Virtual NHS work experience

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January, 5pm (Teams)

### After a sudden bump and fall, should they visit A&E or is first aid enough for all?

- A 45-minute briefing with the NHS team
- Complete the career challenge at your own pace
- Certification awarded on completion

*Rachel and three of her friends were riding their electric scooters, chatting and laughing, not paying attention to the road ahead. Suddenly, they hit a bump they hadn't noticed, causing them all to lose control and fall off. Rachel scraped her arm badly and banged her knee. Emma flew over her handlebars and landed on her wrist, which began swelling immediately. James hit the ground hard and landed on his shoulder and is in pain. Maya managed to avoid serious injury but ended up with some bruises. Emma's swollen wrist might indicate a fracture, and the pain in James' shoulder may mean a dislocation. Rachel and Maya have come out of the accident with scrapes and bruises.*

The NHS are trying to improve the efficiency of Accident & Emergency (A&E) departments. They've noticed that some hospitals are struggling to meet the 4-hour waiting time target, where patients should be seen, treated, admitted, or discharged within 4 hours of arrival. To help solve this, they need to better understand how patients move through A&E and what factors cause delays.

**Goal:** To understand why some patients are waiting longer than 4 hours

**Mission:** To analyse data from various A&E departments to answer the following:

- What factors like the type of injury affect waiting times?
- How the number of patients visiting A&E changes across different calendar months and different locations of the UK?
- Is there a trend you can find to advise the NHS how to prepare? What would be the most appropriate site to add an additional minor injuries unit and why?

To register to attend, [click here](#).



To view the latest online University events, [click here](#).

These are listed in chronological order and include Open Days (in-person and virtual), online chats and webinars. Students can browse these events and engage with higher education from the comfort of their mobile, tablet or computer.

# UCAS

- **Liverpool Hope Open Day**  
*Wednesday 8th January 2025*
- **Liverpool Hope University**  
[Post-16 Taster Day in Theology, Philosophy & Religious Studies and Social Science](#)  
*Wednesday 22nd January, 9.30–2.30pm*
- **Manchester Metropolitan University**  
[Support with your UCAS application](#)  
*Saturday 18th January 2025, 10–11am*  
*Wednesday 22nd January 2025, 5–6pm*
- **University of Chester Open Day**  
*Saturday 18th January 2025*

For details of these events and more, [click here](#) to access our dedicated UCAS webpage, and click the button '**What's on this month**'.