The external exam season is now in full swing. We wish all of our students sitting examinations the very best of luck!

YEAR 13 LEAVERS

On Monday 22nd May, Year 13 study leave begins. We will say our final goodbye to Year 13 students on Friday 26th May during our Leavers' Assembly.

See page 6 for further information.

YEAR 12 MOCKS

Year 12 Mock examinations will be held week commencing Monday 19th June. We will shortly be sharing the timetable with students, please watch this space! Bring revision activities to Form time, any additional time in Form should be spent revising.

TEFL COURSE

We will be running a Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) 2-day course in July. Please email Miss J Dixon to sign up and look out for a sign-up sheet at reception. Dates are currently being adjusted and we will advertise this when they are fully confirmed (see p.4).

COOKING CLUB

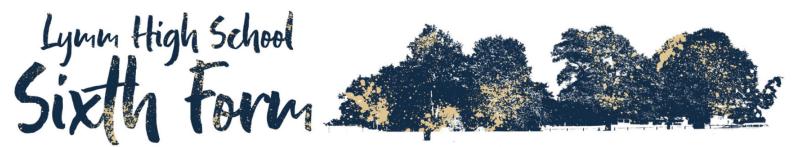
'Lunch on a Loan' cooking club will start after half term every other Wednesday, Period 5, with Mrs Deane. Please email Miss J Dixon to sign up (see p.4).

LANCASTER UNIVERSITY

Lancaster Uni will be holding a stall during lunchtime on **Thursday 25th May** in the Lower Hex – please do have a look!

LGBTQIA+ GROUP

A new LGBTQIA+ group is starting at the Youth Zone. There will be a consultation day on **Sunday 21st May,** 6–8pm, to gain an idea of what young people would like from these sessions. You can drop in or stay for the full 2 hours – refreshments will be available.



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK



CALENDAR 22–26 May 2023

DAY	YEAR 12	YEAR 13	OTHER EVENTS
MONDAY	Mentoring and Revision	STUDY LEAVE	
TUESDAY	Assembly – Mock Examinations launch	STUDY LEAVE	EPQ meeting 1.15pm, S201 Careers Advisor
WEDNESDAY	Study Skills – Preparing for your Mocks	STUDY LEAVE	School Nurse, 1.15–2.10pm
THURSDAY	Sexual Harassment – Follow up	STUDY LEAVE	Lancaster University stall in the Lower Hexagon, 1.15pm
FRIDAY	Work experience preparation & Revision	STUDY LEAVE	Year 13 Leavers' Assembly

NEWS

Medal win for Year 12 Acrobatic gymnastics finalist

Acrobatic gymnastics is a competitive discipline of gymnastics where partnerships of gymnasts work together and perform figures consisting of acrobatic moves, dance and tumbling, all set to music.

Martha Ryley competed in the British Finals for Team Northwest after qualifying in March. Martha is in an IDP 1 Women's Group, and performed two routines (balance and dynamic).

After competing against many different regions, including Northern Ireland, Wales and Scotland, the team won a Bronze medal. "I train 20 hours a week, so it was hard work!", said Martha.





BIRTHDAYS

A. Boardman

B. Gillingham

A. Deeks

P. Howarth

C. Dutton

A. McDonald

C. Evans

M. Oddy

E. Forshaw



TEFL Course



This fast-paced and engaging course gives students everything they need to take their first steps into the teaching of English as a Foreign Language. The course will include ice-breakers, sample lessons (designed to put students in the position of English learners), a grammar recap, valuable teaching techniques, tips on finding work abroad, lesson planning and much more, through the use of fun hands-on activities. Students will even get the opportunity to plan and teach their own lessons each day. Upon completion of the course, students will be certified to Teach English as a Foreign Language abroad or privately in the UK.

What's included:

- TQUK Certificate
- Absolute TEFL Manual
- Access to UK-TEFL Jobs Board
- Warmers/Ice Breakers
- Foreign Language Lesson Functions
- Grammar and Tenses

- Teaching a Vocabulary Lesson
- Teaching a Skills-based EFL Lesson
- Lesson Planning
- Two Teaching Practices
- EFL Employment Review of the course

Lunch on a loan

Students are encouraged to sign up to 'Lunch on a Loan' next term to learn how to cook meals simply and on a budget. Tasty, nutritious meals will be cooked and students will gain hands-on experience of how to prepare these quickly and easily.



Please email Miss J Dixon if interested.

PREVIOUS NOTICES

DONT FORGET ...

Year 13 Intervention timetable

Subject staff are running intervention sessions to help support students with the preparation for their external exams. To view the table, click here.

Results Day

To prepare for Results Day, please read this presentation carefully. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Careers

Save the Date for our Careers Fair on Tuesday 4th July, 5–7pm. A reminder that our careers advisor is in each school each Tuesday. Please see Mr Brown to make an appointment.

Law Experience

We have been invited to host a Mock Trial on **Thursday 6th July** at lunch time in N206. There is also an opportunity to visit a Magistrates Court. Please see Miss Dixon know if you are interested.

Please click here to view the Assessment Calendar, which includes key dates for the year.

Student Finance

Student finance applications are now open.

- <u>Click here</u> for a helpful video on understanding your student loan.
- Click here for two helpful guides.

Year 13 Prom

Click here for details of the Year 13 Prom. The deadline to buy tickets has now passed. Hopefully everyone who wants to purchase them has done so. If this isn't the case, email Mrs Hughes.

Film making club

Starting Tuesday 6th June

Film making workshops will focus on a range of subjects such as movement and expression, lighting for location, production design, art direction and cinematic camera techniques. The workshops are open to students of all year groups with a maximum capacity of 30. The cost for the 6-week course is £36. If you are interested, please see Miss Simms (Technician) or ask your Art teacher for a letter.



Year 13 Exams

A link to the overall external exam timetable can be found here.

Students must remain available for exams until **Wednesday 28th June** (contingency dates) should an event arise. Further information has been sent to students and parents regarding this.

Exam Etiquette

To prepare students for their exams, Mrs Jennings led an 'Exam Etiquette' assembly. <u>Click here</u> to see the presentation. All students now have a copy of their exam timetable. We recommend you take a picture of this on your device as well as displaying this somewhere visible at home for parents/carers to see.

Study Leave

Year 13 students begin their official study leave on **Monday 22nd May**, this means they only need to attend school for their exams from this point. Students are of course welcome to attend as normal and use our study spaces in school.

The Year 13 Leavers' Assembly will take place on **Friday 26th May**. Students are invited into school for a breakfast with their form tutor (8.25–9.45am) and an assembly (9.45–10.45am). Students will leave the school site by 11.15am.

Revision

<u>Click here</u> to read the letter sent home about revision for exams.



WELLBEING

Mental Health Week

Last week was Mental Health Week. The Mental Health Foundation has focused on anxiety and has a number of useful resources for students to access. <u>Click here</u> for information about the week.

Click here for information about anxiety and how to tackle it.

<u>Click here</u> for a article on coping with anxiety and what can we do to help with feelings of anxiety?

Remember to look after your wellbeing online.





APPLYING TO UNIVERSITY



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.

UC/\S

- University of Sheffield Taster Days
 May 2023
- School of Journalism Open Day
 Friday 2nd June, 10–2pm

For details of all these events and more, click here to access our dedicated UCAS webpage, and click the button 'What's on this month'.

FUTURES OPPORTUNITIES

APPLYING TO APPRENTICESHIPS

EY Assurance Apprenticeship

Applications close Wednesday 31st May

Year 13 students have the chance to join this Big Four global organisation and start their career in Assurance. This apprenticeship opportunity is available in multiple locations across the UK. It is a Level 7 and is equivalent to a masters degree but it's for free!



Sunbelt Rentals Apprenticeships

The UK's largest rental equipment provider has an apprenticeship programme offering a wide choice of roles, a mentor, workplace-based skills training, and career opportunities across the organisation.

<u>Click here</u> for a brochure outlining the opportunities available.

- Please <u>click here</u> to see this week's list of current apprenticeships in the Warrington area.
 - For further details and to apply for any of these vacancies go to the National Apprenticeship Website.
- <u>Click here</u> for the 2022 Top 100 Apprenticeship Providers.
- Further opportunities in Cheshire and Warrington can be viewed <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>.
- Don't forget to use <u>Unifrog</u> to search for Apprenticeship opportunities too!





Our <u>careers website</u> includes a <u>calendar of events</u>, <u>labour market</u> information and a link to Unifrog.



Upcoming Events

Industry Insights

Free online information about Technology, Banking & Finance, Defence & Security, Environmental & Sustainability, and Public Service careers

Town Planning

Thursday 25th May, 6–7pm (online)

KPMG Work Experience event

Tuesday 30th May, 10–4pm (by Zoom)

Lymm High Careers Fair

Tuesday 4th July

PwC Virtual Insight Programme

24-26th July 2023

Deadline to apply: Friday 19th May 2023

Civil Aviation Authority work experience

Monday 24th July to Friday 4th August

Deadline to apply: Wednesday 19th July