

Lawnswood School – Sixth Form Bulletin

w.b. Monday 4 November (Week 1)



Wednesday, period 3

Tutorial Lesson- 6.11.24 (Period 3, 11:10-12:10pm)

- **Year 12** – Intouniversity Launch – Independent Learner Workshop – Sixth Form Library

- **Year 13** – Feeling Good; Being Me / UCAS and Apprenticeships – Exploring your next steps to success!!!

Assembly

- Year 12 – 13.11.24 – Sixth Form Library

Attendance is compulsory

UCAS – Year 13

Deadline to have completed your personal statement and 'pay and submit' is **Friday 17 November 2024**. We will guarantee submission of your application by **Friday 13 December 2024**.

Ensure entry requirements for your course choices match your grade predictions.

Please alert your tutor that you are ready to pay and submit so that your reference is read

Study Programme update

- **Progression Module** - Tuesday 15 October, P2 in F03. You should be working on Unit 1- You and Your Career and continuing to work on your CV and cover letter.
- **EPQ** – Tuesday 5 November **DOUBLE session 8:50-10:50am in G39** with Emily Sharp, EPQ Outreach from University of Leeds.
- **LEAP** – You should now be working on designing your product
- **Student Committee** – Discussing sports events and Y13 end of year celebration
- **Internships** - The roles are advertised in the common room
- **Mock Trial** – Saturday 16 November, Leeds Law School

UCAS Support Sessions

The sessions is on Tuesday, Period 2 inT08 if you do not have a timetabled lesson. Ms Ullah

Access to Leeds –Year 13

Students meeting certain eligibility criteria who are applying for University of Leeds are encouraged to make an Access to Leeds application at the time UCAS applications are sent off. This will mean you may receive a lower grade offer. E.g. courses requiring AAB may accept BBC predictions if your access to Leeds application is successful. The application can be printed off the UoL website - http://www.leeds.ac.uk/info/130588/access_to_leeds

- **Friday 31 January 2024** Dental Hygiene and Therapy (A900) and Diagnostic Radiography (B821), Audiology (B61A), Cardiac Physiology (B810), Sonography (B825)
- **12 February 2025** for all other courses

Reach for Excellence programme –Year 12

- The Reach for Excellence programme supports young people who demonstrate the potential to study at a top University. The programme lasts for two years and allows the opportunity to gain a taste of university life and develop useful skills to enable a successful transition. Applications will open on Thursday 12 September and close on **Thursday 14 November at 23:59pm. The internal deadline was Friday 25 October**. See <https://studenttalentspotting.leeds.ac.uk/rfe/>

November GCSE Maths and English Language re-sit – T06/Sixth Form Library

Timetables have now been distributed. If you were expecting a timetable and haven't received one, it means you haven't been entered for the exam and must see me urgently. Check entries carefully including your name as this is the name that will be printed on your certificate.

- Tuesday 5 November AM (9am-10:45am) - English Language Paper 1 (1 hour 45 minutes)
- Wednesday 6 November AM (9am-10:30am) - Maths Paper 1 (non-calculator exam) (1 hour 30 minutes)
- Thursday 7 November AM (9am-10:45am) - English Language Paper 2 (1 hour 45 minutes)
- Friday 8 November AM (9am-10:30am) - Maths Paper 2 (calculator exam) (1 hour 30 minutes)
- Monday 11 November AM (9am-10:30am) - Maths Paper 2 (calculator exam) (1 hour 30 minutes)

Good luck to all students sitting exams this week!!!

January external Exams

The entries for the January 24 external exams have now been finalised and should have received a timetable last week. Students have been entered for exams in:

- AQA Applied Science
- CTEC Sport
- CTEC IT
- CTEC Business
- CTEC Health and Social Care

Check the entry is correct with your subject teacher and also check your name on the exam entry sheet to ensure it is your **legal name** as this is what will appear on your certificate. Any issues, discuss with your subject teacher immediately. Note the date and time of exam- timetables showing the room and seat details will be given out in December.

Sixth Form Open Evening

Our open evening is on Wednesday 13 November. We need you on the night to be amazing ambassadors helping during subject talks, working on the front desk, welcoming parents, tour guides..... If you would like to volunteer, please collect a letter from the Sixth Form office. Thank you to all the volunteers who have returned their permission slips.

Opportunities

University of Leeds Foundation Year Webinar - Tuesday 12 November 6pm - 7.30pm

What's a foundation year?

If you don't meet the requirements or aren't predicted the grades for direct entry onto a degree, a foundation year can be a helpful option. It's an extra year of study that prepares you for your chosen degree. After successfully completing the foundation year, you'll progress to the first year of your chosen degree programme here at the University of Leeds. This event will provide information and cover topics including:

- Student experiences, Degree options, Course overviews, Q&A session

Course entry requirements (academic and widening participation)

Support for Lifelong Learning Centre students

***Please note: For progression onto degrees in healthcare (excluding Nursing and Midwifery) via the foundation year are now closed (UCAS by 15 October 2024 deadline) for September 2025 entry.**

Book your place here

Join us for a free, online event to find out about the different foundation years you can study with the Lifelong Learning Centre

Arts and Humanities with Foundation Year BA

Business Studies with Foundation Year BSc

Interdisciplinary Science with Foundation Year BSc

We'll explore the huge amount of progression routes available in fields such as **Engineering, Science, Maths, Business, Management, Economics, English, History, Computer Science, Languages** and more.

Sutton Trust - Free Access Apprenticeships Engineering programme

High-quality apprenticeships not only offer young people the opportunity to earn while they learn but also ensure they gain valuable skills and get a foot on the career ladder. The Sutton Trust Access Apprenticeship programme provides a year of support where students can meet leading employers and like-minded peers and learn more about how to access top apprenticeships.

We have spaces still available at our amazing Engineering Access Apprenticeships programme in Manchester where they will have the opportunity to gain valuable work experience. They must live within a 90 minute commuting distance of Manchester for our Engineering Access Apprenticeship programme.

<https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/apprenticeship-summer-school/>

University of York - Widening participation programme applications

Black Heritage is a student-led initiative that supports the success of Year 12 students of Black heritage. The programme is designed to help them discover more about living and learning at university, particularly how to thrive at the University of York. Joining the programme will give your students the opportunity to join a community through both online and in-person events on campus. These have been developed with current students and designed to give an honest, authentic experience of university life. The programme is free to attend, designed to support your students of Black heritage through tailored support and mentorship from current students about their experiences of studying and living at the University of York.

https://york.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_af7avnVWPgDkIfM?utm_source=Website&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=HS_October_York_Email+I+black+access+app+form&utm_term=UoY&utm_content=HS_SE&dm_i=7QIP,6S5S,2HMG7J,TGKS,I

Next Steps York is a two-year outreach programme designed for Year 12 students to support them on their journey to higher education. Through online and in-person events, your students will learn more about the types of teaching that the university offers, how to choose the right course for you and how student finance works. Our in-person events feature academic taste sessions, student life activities and overnight stays in real student accommodation. The programme is free to attend and designed to help your students make the right decision for their future. https://york.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0fHvlibKGIjC7SS?dm_i=7QIP,6S5S,2HMG7J,TGKS,I

Applications for both programmes close on **Friday 6 December, 2024** at 9:00am.

Swansea University Masterclass

We're delighted to share the return of Swansea University's Masterclass Series, taking place between **18 – 21 November**. Our free masterclass webinars are delivered on current topics by lecturers who are experts in their fields. They give your students an idea of the topical developments taking place within subjects they may be interested in studying, and can help to support course choice.

https://www.swansea.ac.uk/study/webinar-series/masterclass-series-registration/?utm_source=sprntprojectcentral&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ugsro2024&utm_content=masterclasspromooct24masterclassseries

Leeds Futures

Applications now open for 'Leeds Futures' - a free outreach programme for Year 12.

Leeds Futures is a national outreach programme designed for individual learners in Year 12. The programme consists of a mixture of (mainly) online and in-person activities throughout Year 12 until the point of submitting their UCAS application in Year 13.

Leeds Futures is free of charge and priority is given to applicants who meet certain widening participation criteria. The programme provides students with the opportunity to learn more about a subject area they are interested in pursuing at university, whilst developing their study skills and careers awareness. Students attend a variety of subject-related activities alongside receiving advice and guidance on practical matters such as UCAS applications, accommodation choices and student finance.

We run a range of Leeds Futures programmes in Arts and Humanities, Health Sciences, Social Sciences and STEM.

Why apply to Leeds Futures?

- Develop your knowledge and understanding in your subject of interest
- Learn what is involved in studying at university
- Attend taster lectures, seminars and practical sessions
- Meet current students and academics
- Get to know the University campus
- Benefit from support up to the point of applying to university
- Find out about career opportunities after university

How to apply

Applications for Medicine, Dental Futures, Allied Health and Healthcare science, Nursing, Midwifery and Social Work open week commencing 7 October and closes 24 November 2024.

Applications for all other Futures programmes are now open:

STEM – Opens on 25 November and closes on 2 February

Environment Futures – Open now, deadline Sunday 4 February 2025

Social Science – Politics – Now Open. Fill in the expression of interest form

English / History – Open on 25 November. Register your interest

Creative Arts - Open on 25 November. Register your interest

Music - Open on 25 November. Register your interest

[Find out more about Leeds Futures and how to apply](#)

<https://www.leeds.ac.uk/undergraduate-teachers-supporting-students/doc/leeds-futures>

EY Foundation- Paid Work Experience

Our Smart Futures applications are now open and we'd love to come to present our opportunities to your students in the coming weeks.

Virtual Programmes – 5 days virtual + 3 in person days in Leeds:

STEM Futures: 27 May to 30 May and 28 July to 31 July 2025

Smart Futures Business and Finance: 4 August to 13 August 2025

Application are now live: [Smart Futures: How to Apply \(eyfoundation.com\)](#) -

<https://www.eyfoundation.com/uk/en/home.html>

Newcastle University Partners Programme

Through the PARTNERS Programme, students get to receive a lower contextual offer to study at Newcastle University (upon completing the PARTNERS Academic Summer School), develop the skills necessary to be successful at university, meet other students, and receive support throughout the application process, on results day and after entering the university. Students experience academic sessions, learn about higher education study skills, careers and employability skills, and take part in social events.

- When: Throughout the academic year, with social events in June - July 2025.
- Where: In-person and online.
- Who: This opportunity is open to students in Year 13 or second year of college/sixth form.

Deadline: Register your interest as soon as possible - <https://www.ncl.ac.uk/partners/how-to-apply/>

Realising Opportunities

Realising Opportunities provides students with information and support to make informed decisions about their futures. Students could receive:

- Alternative offers from the RO Partner universities which are typically two grades lower than the standard offer.
- Experiences and support to help make informed decisions about higher education and research intensive universities.
- Skills development in planning, analysis, critical thinking, evaluation and independent research.
- Online support from university students and staff at the RO Partner universities.
- A wide range of events and activities at the RO Partner universities. Travel costs may be supported.
- Additional consideration when applying to RO Partner universities through UCAS.

Eligibility criteria applies - [Applying to RO - Realising Opportunities](#)

Social Mobility Foundation

- We are pleased to announce that applications for the Social Mobility Foundation's free Aspiring Professionals Programme are now open for 2024! Aspiring Professionals Programme (APP)
- The APP supports high achieving Year 12 students from low income backgrounds across the UK to access top universities and careers. We offer support through our four pillars:
 1. Mentoring by a professional
 2. Tailored skills sessions and career workshops
 3. University application support and guidance
 4. Internships with top employers
- How students receive our four pillars of support is dependent on where you live. Applications for 2023 will open in September. <https://app.socialmobility.org.uk/>

Pathway to Engineering - Sutton Trust – Year 12

The Pathways to Engineering programme runs over two academic years, starting when you are just heading into Sixth Form/College and finishing before your exams in year 13. Alongside a work experience placement with a leading employer, there is a programme of after-school and weekend skill workshops and information sessions, mentoring opportunities, networking events with universities and leading professionals, and a residential packed full of opportunities to develop skills needed to access a career in engineering.

<https://pathwaysprogrammes.suttontrust.com/career-pathways/engineering>

Pathway to Law - Sutton Trust – Year 12

Pathways to Law is a programme that looks to inspire and support students to explore a range of careers in law and build essential knowledge, skills and confidence required to go on to higher education and the world of work. All Pathways to Law students are also offered real-life experience, with a work placement, and mentoring and networking opportunities. <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-law/>

Pathway to Medicine - Sutton Trust – Year 12

Pathways to Medicine was developed to widen access to the medical profession. The programme provides both academic support, so that students achieve the grades needed for highly competitive medical school places, as well as providing sector specific support – such as a work placements, mentoring, networking and skills workshops. All of which build the essential knowledge, skills and confidence required to go on to higher education and the world of work. <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-medicine/>

Please refer to the FOYF dashboard for even more opportunities

<https://padlet.com/foyfpadlet/foyf-opportunities-at-lawnswood-school-dr94oh5egayxw990>

Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday 13 November – Sixth Form Open Evening, 5-7pm
- Wednesday 4 December - Progression Module Graduation Ceremony – More details to follow soon

REMINDERS

- **Hot drinks** are not permitted beyond the third floor.
- There should be no **eating** and **drinking** on the corridors.
- **Bins are provided for your rubbish in the Common Room – USE THEM**
- **Mobile Phones, airpods** and **headphones** should only be used on the third floor.
- **Lanyards must be worn at all times by all students.** If you have been using a temporary lanyard this must be returned at the end of the day to student reception. If you have lost your original lanyard please bring £2 to the sixth form office to order a replacement.
- Punctual attendance to ALL lessons is essential.
- Appropriate dress is expected from sixth formers at all times i.e. no shorts, hats (in lessons), onesies, revealing clothing. Please remember you are setting an example to our younger students.