

Sixth Form Bulletin
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WA Junior Leadership Team

The Junior Leadership Team (JLT) uphold and embody our school values. They represent all Academy students, strive to implement positive change for the student experience, and provide opportunities to support the local community.

We are pleased to announce the Junior Leadership Team for this academic year:

Head Student 2020-2021

Rahma Zaid



Deputy Head Students 2020-2021

Rio Aroun-Maxwell



Curtis Watson



Victoria Brown



Mikel Brown



Rafael Deus



Super Curricular Activities

Strong applicants to competitive universities tend to have explored their chosen subject through wider reading outside the classroom, as well as doing very well in their GCSEs and A-levels. Super curricular activities build on and enhance what students are currently studying. Here are a few suggestions for some of the activities students can complete if they so wish. If you would like further information on super curricular activities for a particular subject, please contact Ms O'Brien.

Imaging the Brain - Warwick University Podcast [here](#)

Anatomy - Clinical anatomy [here](#)

Chocolate powered engineering- Race car [here](#)

Bad Science - Battling science [here](#)

Ted talks - Power of introverts [here](#)

KEEP SAFE Face coverings in the community

As you will be aware, wearing face coverings on public transport and in shops is compulsory for almost everyone over the age of 11 years (with some exceptions for health or disability reasons). As such, we are asking all of our students to wear face coverings when using any of our local shops and on public transport to ensure we are protecting everyone in our local community, which will include our students, their parents, uncles/aunts and grandparents.

The government defines a face covering as "something which safely covers the nose and mouth". You can buy reusable or single-use face coverings. Face coverings are instead largely intended to protect others, not the wearer, against the spread of infection because they cover the nose and mouth, which are the main confirmed sources of transmission of virus that causes coronavirus infection (COVID-19).

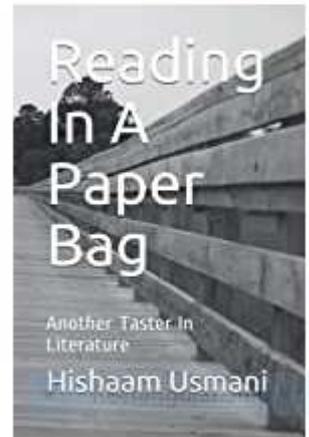




Hishaam Usmani

A P3 for having his very own poetry book available on Amazon.

Reading in a Paper bag – By Hishaam Usmani [Reading in a paper bag](#)



Fadhil Faizal

Congratulations!

Fadhil's application was a success as he has been selected to attend work experience at Santander.



Rabya Sheikh

Congratulations!

Rabya has been successful in her application and has been selected to attend work experience at Ofcom.



UNIVERSITY

YEAR 12 AND 13

The University of York has a new course 2021: **BA (Hons) Business of the Creative Industries**. The course gives students the opportunity to develop leadership and entrepreneurial **skills to manage and inspire the UK's creative industries, combining advanced business knowledge with practical production and insight into film, television, theatre, and interactive media**. The course includes modules such as Content Development; Business for Screen; Creative Business Methods: Finance, Planning, and the Law; and Brands and Marketing. A typical offer for the course will be ABB. For more information, see <https://www.york.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/courses/ba-business-creative-industries/>

YEAR 12 AND 13 Reminder: UK University & Apprenticeship Search are holding a virtual fair on **Wednesday 11 November 2020 (12 noon – 6pm)**. The virtual fair will feature a wide range of exhibiting universities, colleges, and apprenticeship providers, allowing students to explore their regional and local post-18 options. During the event students will be able to visit exhibition stands and chat to representatives, view information and videos, download prospectuses, and take part in live webinars in a virtual auditorium. For more information and to register for a place, see <https://ukunisearch-north.vfairs.com/>

Leeds Beckett University are holding two hospitality and travel and tourism webinars in **November 2020**

- **Hospitality Horizons Virtual Conference: Wednesday 11 November 2020 (10am – 1pm).**

<https://gck.fm/jzbve>

- **Institute of Travel and Tourism Virtual Future Conference: Wednesday 18 November 2020 (10am – 1pm).** Students will hear from the 'Institute of Travel and Tourism' and travel and tourism industry experts about rebuilding a better future for the industry and their careers, experiences, and opportunities in the industry.

Also discussed will be the types of degrees that can help students advance into these careers, with a Q&A to finish. For more information, see <https://gck.fm/xaxpt>

Enrichment

YEAR 12 AND 13

Newcastle University run Year 12 Medicine and Dentistry (MaD) Days, designed to give students the opportunity to explore the worlds of Medicine and Dentistry. For 2020 these days are held online; students can choose their desired subject area and hear in detail about the application process as well as experience an interactive virtual clinical demonstration. The Medicine event will take place on **23 November 2020 (5pm – 7pm)** and the date for the Dentistry event will be confirmed shortly. For more information, see

<https://experience.ncl.ac.uk/medicinemadday>

YEAR 13

The University of Sheffield are running online taster sessions for Year 13 students interested in finding out more about what it's like to study **History** and **Archaeology** at university

- **Archaeology Taster Session: Tuesday 10 November** Professor John Moreland will take students through the fascinating story of Sheffield Castle, where a team of university archaeologists are involved in an exciting project to excavate the remains of the castle. <https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/undergraduate/visit/taster-days/archaeology-taster-day>

- **History Taster Session: Thursday 12 November 2020.** The session will explore British society and culture in the 1960s, including topics such as the impact of affluence and consumerism on class and gender, the emergence of a national youth culture based around music and fashion, and the heated debates about immigration and race. <https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/undergraduate/visit/taster-days/history>

The sessions are aimed at Year 13 students who have not yet submitted their UCAS form, and therefore are not holding any offers with the University already.

Competition

YEAR 12 AND 13

The **British Sociological Association** (BSA) is now accepting applications to their national A Level competition, where students can submit essays and short videos to win an Apple iPad Mini and £500 for the school. The essay question is **'The Corona Generation: Using your sociological imagination, examine how Covid-19 may change young people's lives'**. Linking the question to modules that students have studied, or are about to study, they can submit a 2000-word written piece or a 10-minute podcast or video clip. For more information, see

<http://www.discoversociology.co.uk/The-Sociology-Teacher-Magazine/competition.htm>

YEAR 12 AND 13

Channel Talent's next 'Think Tank' event will tackle 'Pollution, Creation and Management of Waste' on **Friday 6 November 2020 (1.30pm – 2.30pm)**. The interdisciplinary university event follows a Question Time format where academics from the University of East Anglia and the University of Glasgow will address pre-submitted and live questions from the audience on any issues **related to pollution and the creation and management of waste**. Students will be able to Page 3 of 4 experience how academics from different disciplines think about and debate pressing and complex issues. For more information, see <https://www.channeltalent.co.uk/event/thank-tank-pollutioncutting-edge-university-perspectives-debate-from-glasgow-earth-sciences-uea-biological-sciences/>

MATHS

The **Department of Mathematics** at **Royal Holloway University** of London is holding an online lecture on **Wednesday 11 November 2020 (7pm)**: 'Why pedestrian bridges wobble – synchronisation and the wisdom of the crowd'. Professor Alan Champneys, from the Department of Engineering Mathematics at the University of Bristol, will discuss the nature of mathematical modelling and the interplay between maths, engineering and the real world, using the example of the instability of the London Millennium Bridge on the day it opened. For more information, see <https://www.royalholloway.ac.uk/research-and-teaching/departments-and-schools/mathematics/events/2020-10-08/>

PHYSICS

Experience Week, this time taking place online on **15 – 19 February 2021**. The event is designed to give students an insight into what it is like to study at university and complete academic research, with academic researchers and postgraduate students from the Department of Mathematics, Physics and Electrical Engineering.

Students will learn about current research carried out in areas such as solar physics, smart materials and soft matter, space weather, sustainable materials, fluid dynamics, and materials processing technology. At the end of the week students will present a research poster to peers and university staff and students in an online event. Deadline for applications is **27 November 2020**. For more information and to apply, see <https://nustem.uk/physics-experience-week/>

YEAR 12**Sutton Trust**

The deadline for applications is **20 November 2020**. For more information, see <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-medicine/>

YEAR 13

Reminder: UCAS are holding virtual exhibitions for specific subject areas. The list of exhibitions includes:

- ~~Business, Law, and Finance: 29 – 30 September 2020~~
- ~~Biological and Physical Sciences: 16 October 2020~~
- ~~Social Sciences, Humanities, and Teaching: 23 – 24 October 2020~~
- ~~Maths, Engineering, and Computing: 2 – 3 November 2020~~
- **Creative Subjects: 13 – 14 November 2020**



Career Days – Immersive virtual career days and work experience opportunities

Career Days are offering virtual career days and work experience opportunities for all students interested in a career in **aviation, psychology, business, medicine, law, and veterinary sciences**. [Click here](#) to find out more information and to sign up.



**I am attending the
National Health
Careers Conference**

Join me!

**National Health Careers Conference
Saturday 7th November 2020**

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www.healthcareers.live**

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