

# Sixth Form Weekly Notes – Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Nov 2023

Week 2

**Key messages (inc. community, wellbeing etc):**

**Children in Need – look out for more information about events this week. Bring cash Weds-Fri! Sort out your fancy dress!**

**Thank you to all those who helped out at the information evening last Thursday, it is really appreciated.**

**Thanks also to Year 13 sports ambassadors for officiating at a primary football festival @ Stanley Park last week.**

**Parking – there is not enough room for staff and Sixth Formers to park on-site. Please use public transport or share lifts where possible. If you really need to drive please park out the front of the school or in the Sports Club car park and come in the bottom gate**

**To: all members of the Sixth Form**

**Subject: short survey – with the chance to win £100 Amazon voucher**

Please can you click on the following link and complete this short survey – all those that do will be entered into a prize draw and could win £100 Amazon voucher. The survey is very short and is part of the work that one of our pupils is undertaking as part of a scheme they are participating in for one of the largest companies in the South West - Wessex Water.

<https://forms.office.com/e/zGJNbVnhMH>

The survey is only open for just a few days – it takes no more than 5 minutes and your responses are completely confidential.

Thank you



**Inclusivity Group**

- Tuesday lunchtimes – E8
- Starting after half term – 31<sup>st</sup> October
- Bring your lunch
- Open to all students
- Focus on marginalised groups
  - LGBTQ+
  - Gender diverse
  - People of colour
  - Disability
  - Neurodiverse
  - Varied religious and cultural backgrounds
  - Allies

- Safe space
- Student-led
- Sheldon community
- Conversation
- Being around people with similar experiences
- Non-judgemental
- Ideas for change

# happy diwali

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

## Breaktime Menu

Dal Pakora with Sweet Chilli Sauce  
Aloo Paratha  
Spicy Naan Bread with Coriander Pesto  
Tandoori Chicken Wings

Coconut Ladoo  
Indian Honey Cake

## Lunch Menu

Sweet Potato & Lentil Soup  
  
Chicken Jalfrezi  
Or  
Paneer Korma  
Both Served with Pilaf Rice, Raita, Kachumber  
Salad & Mango Chutney

Masala Pasta Pot  
Gulab Jamun

Follow @sheldonsixthform on Instagram – Be Kind, Be Brave,  
Be The Best You

### Key dates:

- **Tuesday – Diwali lunch options**
- **Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Nov – Yr12 – True Adventure 2025 re-launch – parent information evening – 6pm – study room**
- **Tues November 14 @ 16:30 - 17:15 HE Guidance: Making Applying To University Easy - Writing A Standout Personal Statement - UEA (KS5) [Find out more](#) » [NEW]**
- **Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Nov – 1240 – VI3 – Yr13 Student Leadership Team – if you applied for a the SLT back in the summer please come along to this meeting (Yr12 and others will get a chance to be involved soon!)**
- **Thurs 16th Nov – pm reg in the study room for all mentors where details of mentor pairings and how the mentoring programme will operate will explained.**
- **Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Nov – 1240 VI3 – Yr12 Sheldon Scholars – if you are interested in applying for Oxford, Cambridge, veterinary science, medicine or dentistry or other highly competitive courses please come along**
- **Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov – Children in Need – Sixth Form theme = TV and Film. Bring cash!**

- Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Nov – Yr13 Virtual Parents’ Evening
- **Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Nov – TD day – school closed**
- Weds 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Concert
- Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Dec – Politics trip to Parliament
- w/b 11<sup>th</sup> Dec – A Christmas Carol – dates/times tbc
- Weds 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Sixth Form Carol Service - St Nicholas’ Church – after lunch
- Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – school finishes for students at 1230
- Mon 18<sup>th</sup> – lesson 2 on Weds 20<sup>th</sup> – lessons continue at Hardenhuish for anybody studying a subject there
- Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024 - Year 13 Ball – save the date!

## PDC: Post-18 + Personal skills + Wellbeing + SPMC

Year	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
am	Sheldon6 – <b>DRESS CODE - LANYARDS</b> - weekly notes – WoW: ??? - <a href="https://formtimeideas.com/">https://formtimeideas.com/</a>				
12 pm	NS Transition - A Level mindset: <a href="https://www.net-sixthform.co.uk/resources/view/week-9-video-a-level-mindset">https://www.net-sixthform.co.uk/resources/view/week-9-video-a-level-mindset</a> plus ppt	SRE - Domestic violence – EBennet ppt	Assembly – Mrs Brunt / Mrs Allen  Chairs - GRA	SRE - Domestic violence – EBennet ppt	<b>Tutor choice</b>
13 pm	<b>Unifrog / UCAS - research</b>	<b>Presentation skills</b> U – how to master public speaking guide <a href="https://www.unifrog.org/student/know-how/direct/how-to-master-public-speaking">https://www.unifrog.org/student/know-how/direct/how-to-master-public-speaking</a> U – topic and audience pick n mix task  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=elho2S0Zah!">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=elho2S0Zah!</a>	<b>Presentation skills</b> U – how to master public speaking guide <a href="https://www.unifrog.org/student/know-how/direct/how-to-master-public-speaking">https://www.unifrog.org/student/know-how/direct/how-to-master-public-speaking</a> U – topic and audience pick n mix task  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=elho2S0Zah!">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=elho2S0Zah!</a>	Assembly – tbc  Chairs – FMA	<b>Tutor choice and/or assembly prep</b>

## Work experience, employment and apprenticeship opportunities / information:

Katie Witchell– our Careers Adviser is available to you all. You can email her directly at [kwitchell@sheldonschool.co.uk](mailto:kwitchell@sheldonschool.co.uk) to make an appointment or you can drop-in to the Careers Hub near the hall on Thursday or Friday lunch times.

### What is LMI? Why is it important and where can find it?

LMI is Labour Market Information. It is useful and important because it tells you what jobs are available, which are on the increase/decrease, what the pay is like etc. You can find LMI in the Careers Newsletter that comes out every week or so. You can also find it on every careers page in the Careers Library on Unifrog.

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Search <https://amazingapprenticeships.com/vacancies/>

Search and sign up for alerts at <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/>

<https://www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk/>

Pathway CTM: <https://pathwayctm.com/student-register/>

Uptree: <https://uptree.co/a/signup/student/>

Springpod: <https://space.springpod.com/sign-up>



<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/higher-degree-listing/>

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**Year 13 students - Wessex Water's Technical Apprenticeship vacancies have been announced.**

Applications close on the 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024, with Assessments and interviews taking place between January and April 2024.

Decisions will be made between February and May 2024, with an Enrolment Day on the 1<sup>st</sup> July and a start date of 5<sup>th</sup> August 2024.

Wessex Water have won awards for their apprenticeship programmes so please can you make any of your students aware of these great opportunities.

Further information can be found here: [Technical apprenticeships \(wessexwater.co.uk\)](https://www.wessexwater.co.uk/technical-apprenticeships)

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Architect Career Day - Saturday 18th November 2023  
Vet Career Day - Saturday 25th November 2023  
Law Career Day - Saturday 2nd December 2023  
Computer Science Career Day - Saturday 9th December 2023

Students can visit [www.careerdays.co.uk](http://www.careerdays.co.uk) to join a session in their field of interest and will receive a certificate at the end of the day confirming their work experience

# I'M INTERESTED IN APPRENTICESHIPS...WHAT NOW?



## 1. GENERAL RESEARCH

Start by researching what apprenticeships are and the wide range available.

Visit our website: <https://amazingapprenticeships.com/> and explore our resources, films, webinars, games and more.

EXPLORE:



Find our **Rapid Reads** (quick guides to everything apprenticeship related) here: <https://tinyurl.com/3z4rfttn>

RAPID READS:



## 2. SPECIFIC RESEARCH

Look on the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE) website and search for apprenticeship standards using keywords that interest you, e.g. theatre, finance, sport, health:

Visit the **Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE)** website here: <https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/>



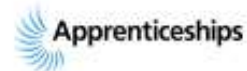
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## 3. VACANCIES RESEARCH

Look at current vacancies on the Government website, Find an Apprenticeship (FAA) to see what is available. Read the job adverts to help you know what employers are looking for. Create an account and set up alerts for new vacancies that fit your criteria:

Visit **Find An Apprenticeship** here: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>



FIND AN APPRENTICESHIP:



## 4. EMPLOYER RESEARCH

Research employers that offer apprenticeships. Don't discount any companies without looking into them properly! If an employer you're interested in mentions knowledge, skills, qualities or experience they require, think about how you could show you meet their criteria, or what you could do now to ensure you do in the future.

Visit the **employers' website** and **social media** pages to find out more about what they do.

Find out where the position will be based and start to look at **transport options**. Could you get there everyday?

## 5. GET READY TO APPLY

It's never too early to start getting ready to apply for apprenticeships. Read up on the different processes so that you can be ready to apply when you see a vacancy that interests you.

Read our **Step-by-step guide** to applying for an apprenticeship so you know what applying for an apprenticeship involves <https://tinyurl.com/4c3byd9r>

Use our **Rapid Reads** to guide you through making a CV, writing a covering letter, creating a LinkedIn profile and more <https://tinyurl.com/3z4rfttn>

HOW TO APPLY:



RAPID READS:





# UNIVERSITY OPEN EVENING

14TH NOV, 6:30PM

AT ASHTON GATE STADIUM

Join us to hear about studying a degree with the Robins Foundation!

- BA (Hons) Sports Business & Entrepreneurship
- FdSc in Community Football Coaching & Development



SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK YOUR PLACE



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# APPRENTICE NATION

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## EARN FREE REWARDS FOR ATTENDING CAREER ADVICE WEBINARS

### How to start a business for free?

16 NOV @ 7PM

Find out how to start a business for free and why you should consider self employment as a viable option in your career.



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Louis

### How to overcome imposter syndrome?

21 NOV @ 7PM

Discover how to overcome repeated feelings or thoughts that you are incompetent or not good enough even if there is evidence to the contrary.



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Caspar

### What is a digital apprenticeship?

28 NOV @ 7PM

Get your burning questions answered about the journey of an apprenticeship with guests from BT and Google.



HOSTED BY  
Suprina



HOSTED BY  
Kyron



## SIGN UP NOW

Rewards include Amazon Fire Stick, £50 Amazon vouchers, Apple AirPods, MacBook Air and more. Subject to terms and conditions.

## University and other opportunities:

Check out UCAS and [www.opendays.com](http://www.opendays.com) for lots of open day information and opportunities

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Please find below the Open Day List for November. The list features over 65 University Open Days, including Russell Group universities and is the last busy month in terms of Open Days before the UCAS deadline: <https://bit.ly/University-OpenDays-November>



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## Receive a lower contextual offer to study at Newcastle University via the PARTNERS Programme

**PARTNERS:** for Year 13 students/final year of college

PARTNERS has helped over 9,000 students study with us. If your students are eligible to join our programme they could receive a **conditional offer from us that's typically up to three grades lower than normal entry requirements**. They'll also take part in an Academic Summer School to prepare them for university study and be supported throughout their journey to Newcastle.

**Find out more about PARTNERS and apply**

## Portsmouth University opportunities:

### Personal Statement Hub

Our online statement-checking service is designed to provide students with valuable insights and feedback on their statements. Share this link to help your students get the most out of it: [Personal Statement Hub](#).

### Subject Taster Days

Our Subject Taster Days are tailored to help students explore specific subject areas. Learn more about these informative sessions [www.port.ac.uk/collaborate/schools-and-colleges/subject-specific-events](http://www.port.ac.uk/collaborate/schools-and-colleges/subject-specific-events)

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### [Student Shadowing](#)

Student Shadowing provides a unique opportunity for your students to gain an insight into studying at LSE by shadowing a current LSE student for half a day. Students living more than 50 miles away from the LSE campus may also be eligible to apply for the [LSE Travel Fund](#) to refund some of their travel costs to visit the LSE campus.

### [LSE Springboard](#)

LSE Springboard supports students who live outside of London and the South East and are interested in studying at LSE. The programme includes visits to the LSE campus, a series of online webinars, and tutorials delivered in partnership with The Brilliant Club. Participants receive information, advice and guidance from LSE staff and students, including personalised support from our admissions team. **Applications close on Sunday 26 November 2023**

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## Oxford Brookes open days:

### Undergraduate Open Days – 18 November

Our Open Days start next month and offer you and your parents & carers the perfect opportunity to find out more about what it's like to be a student here, as well as giving insight into our courses and the support we offer. You can book your place [here](#).

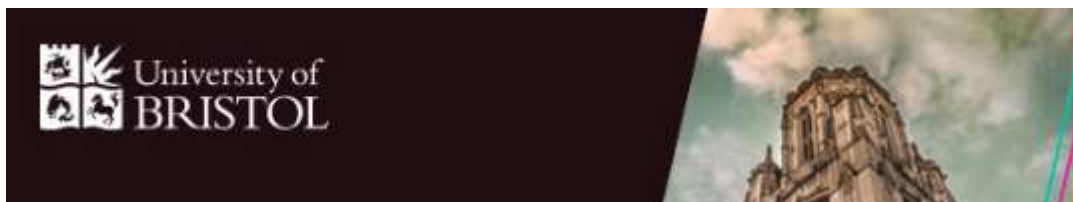
You will be able to join us for the following:

- Subject taster sessions
- Q&A sessions with our academics and support staff
- Chat with current students
- Talks from our central services including admissions, finance, wellbeing and accommodation

Did you know that you may also be eligible for an Open Day travel bursary? You can find out more about the travel bursary on our [website](#).

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**Sheldon School is now on the University of Bristol's Aspiring schools list which means we are eligible for contextual (lower offers). You still need to check individual course requirements.**

### **STEM Up - Applications are open**

[STEM Up](#) is an online programme which provides the opportunity for Year 12 and mature students to experience what it's like to study a STEM subject (this includes subject areas such as Science, Engineering, Geographical Science and Mathematics) at university. Participants take part in academic taster sessions, speak to current students and receive advice on applying to university.

The programme will take place online with sessions weekly from 5.00 - 6.30pm on the following dates: **Monday 26th February, Monday 4th, 11th and 18th March, 2024**, with a planned visit to the University.

Students can apply [here](#). Applications will close on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January**.

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### **Free Year 12 University of Bristol Residential Summer Schools in 2024**

Our [Insight into Bristol](#) and [Sutton Trust Summer Schools](#) are free residential experiences for Year 12 students. They both offer the opportunity to experience student life in the vibrant city of Bristol. Participants will stay in university accommodation and take part in academic seminars and social activities, supported by current undergraduate students. They will meet student societies and learn more about what university life is really like. The summer schools for 2024 will likely take place in July 2024.

Participants who complete the summer school will be eligible for a guaranteed contextual offer or interview from the University of Bristol. Contextual offers are set two grades below the standard offer level, meaning this programme is a great opportunity for students to access a highly selective Russell Group university.

Applications for both summer school open in January 2024. Students can now **register their interest** in Insight into Bristol (click [here](#)), which is exclusive for students who identify as Asian, Black or Mixed (featuring one or more of these groups) and the Sutton Trust Summer School (click [here](#)).

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**Gresham College** lectures are a great way to learn beyond the curriculum and give you things to write about in university applications - <https://www.gresham.ac.uk/whats-on?see-all>

**Portfolio Theory and the  
Capital Asset Pricing  
Model**

Professor Raghavendra Rau  
Mon, 13 Nov 2023  
• [Watch Online](#)  
• In-person tickets [available](#)

**Reading and Misreading  
the Iranian Revolution**

Dr Roham Alvandi  
Tue, 14 Nov 2023  
• [Watch Online](#)  
• In-person tickets [available](#)

**Random Chance in  
Evolution**

Professor Robin May  
Wed, 15 Nov 2023  
• [Watch Online](#)  
• In-person tickets [available](#)

- **November 14 @ 13:00 - 13:45** Society for Natural Sciences: Medical Imaging & Studying Natural Sciences (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 14 @ 14:15 - 15:00** Philosophy: Skills & Insight - The Philosopher's Toolkit - A Thinking Skills 'Workout' with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 14 @ 11:10 - 11:55** Literature/Theatre: A Doll's House (Ibsen) - Contemporary Production & Audience with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 15 @ 14:00 - 14:50** Law: Skills & Insight - Legal Reasoning with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 15 @ 12:45 - 13:30** History: Henry VIII & Monarchical Power – University of Portsmouth (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 15 @ 16:15 - 17:00** Engineering/Design: Computer Aided Engineering (CAE) - Using Physics In Design - UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 16 @ 11:15 - 12:00** History: Getting the Most out of a Primary Source - Goldsmiths (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 16 @ 16:15 - 17:15** Literature/Drama: The Duchess of Malfi by John Webster with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 20 @ 12:45 - 13:30** Politics/IR: Global Governance & Climate Change – Tutorial – Aberystwyth (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 20 @ 15:45 - 16:45** Modern Languages - University Module Insights & The Learning Experience – Bath & Portsmouth (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 20 @ 15:45 - 16:30** Media Ownership & Control – Tutorial – Aberystwyth (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 21 @ 12:45 - 13:30** International Relations: The Battle For New World Order with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 22 @ 16:30 - 17:15** Law: Skills & Insight - Building A Defence with Goldsmiths (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 23 @ 16:30 - 17:15** Nursing/Health: Well-being Of Nurses In The NHS with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 24 @ 11:10 - 11:55** Religious Studies/Philosophy: Religion & Science with Warwick (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 27 @ 12:45 - 13:30** Economics: An Analysis of Current UK Economic Performance with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 27 @ 14:10 - 15:00** History of Art/Art: Analysing & Interpreting Previously Unseen Art - UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]

## Birthdays recently or coming up – Happy Birthday to...



**This week: Ben A; Cassandra V and Eva G**

**Pet of the week: Thanks Halle-Bea , meet:** Dog-Gordon; Ginger cat-ging; Big grey cat-Matin; Small grey cat-keith

