

# Sixth Form Weekly Notes – Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Nov 2023

Week 1

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

**Sixth Form Information Evening – Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Nov – volunteers needed please. Subjects will need helpers and we will need some general helpers too. Please let Mr Spiers now if you can help. Thank you to all those who have already volunteered**

**You have been emailed PE options and should've responded – please do so if you haven't yet.**

**The little astro near the dome is allocated for Sixth Formers at lunch time – please use it or it will be re-allocated to another year group.**

**Twice last week the Common Room was left in a disgusting state. Use the bins and clear up after yourselves or we will close it.**

## Multi-faith prayer space expectations

Students of all faiths are welcome to use Vi7 during lunch time 12:20 until 12.55 and after school 15:00 until 15:30. This is a quiet space for reflection, prayer and meditation.

Available from 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023



**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

**Well done to the 6 students who have been accepted on to Access to Bristol and it was great that 30 of you tried. You could also try:**

- **Pathway to Bath:** <https://www.bath.ac.uk/campaigns/pathway-to-bath-programme/>
- **The Sutton Trust:** <https://summerschools.suttontrust.com/browse-courses/> (these have stricter eligibility criteria but it is worth a shot as they are brilliant!)
- **Ambition Nottingham:** <https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/schoolsliason/services/ambition-16-18.aspx>

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**Calling all make-up artists!!!!**

**I am looking for a core team of 6<sup>th</sup> formers who can help me with make up for the school production.**

**A Christmas Carol.**

**It would involve helping to design ideas, lead some younger pupils on the team, do some trials on the lead roles etc.**

**You do not have to be amazing with make-up. I also need some good bossy organisers to help with logistics and calling actors etc!!!!**

**You must be available for some lunchtime sessions and an afterschool to create ideas.**

**You also need to be available for ...**

**Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Tue 11<sup>th</sup> and Weds 12<sup>th</sup> Dec nights of the last week of term and for the matinees on the Monday 10<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> during the school day.**

**Please see Mrs Collins in Px if interested. Thank you!!!!!!!**

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

## Key dates:

- **Weds 8<sup>th</sup> Nov – Criminology – Crime Scene Day – in school – details to follow**
- **Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Nov – Sixth Form Information Evening (for Yr11) – volunteers needed please**
- **Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Nov – Yr12 – True Adventure 2025 re-launch – parent information evening – 6pm – study room**
- **November 14 @ 16:30 - 17:15 HE Guidance: Making Applying To University Easy - Writing A Standout Personal Statement - UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]**
- **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!**



An **INVESTIN** charity competition

# RESILIENCE

*The Young Photographer Challenge*

In honour of World Mental Health Day on 10th October, we invite students aged 12-18 to enter our competition, The Young Photographer Challenge. Students should submit a photograph, along with a short caption, depicting how they show resilience. Creativity is highly encouraged!

The competition is free to enter and for each submission we shall make a donation to YoungMinds, the youth mental health charity.

**DEADLINE : 5PM, 17TH NOVEMBER 2023**

We all experience a great amount of physical and mental growth on a daily basis, as we are constantly faced with new situations and challenges. Being resilient gives us the ability to tackle these head-on and progress forward from any setbacks with confidence and a positive mindset!

Need inspiration? Think - how do you show resilience? If you are faced with a difficult situation, what do you do to tackle it?

- Allowing time for fun outside of school, by seeing friends, enjoying nature and relaxing, so we can keep a positive mental attitude in harder scenarios.
- Practicing mindfulness, so we can understand when we are stressed and learn how to act on it.
- Recognising when you have overcome a difficult challenge and how you have learnt from it and grown as a result.

The winning photograph will receive an in-person place on a one-day immersive experience of their choice! Our shortlisted entries will also be shared across our social media and featured on our blog.

**ENTER NOW**



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

| Year  | Monday  | Tuesday                             | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday   |
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| 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:<br><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><br>plus ppt | <b>Diwali – resources to follow</b> | Assembly – Kat Kalatey - Project Trust – gap years<br><br>Chairs – HEW | Remembrance Day – ppt in Teams folder                                  | Managing stress – whole school tutor work and/or:<br><br>Kelly McGonigal - TED - How to make stress your friend<br><a href="https://www.ted.com/talks/kelly-mcgonigal-how-to-make-stress-your-friend?language=en">https://www.ted.com/talks/kelly-mcgonigal-how-to-make-stress-your-friend?language=en</a>   |
| 13 pm | Unifrog / UCAS - research   | <b>Diwali – resources to follow</b> | Remembrance Day – ppt in Teams folder                                  | Assembly – Kat Kalatey - Project Trust – gap years<br><br>Chairs - SPT | Managing stress – whole school tutor work and/or:<br><br>Kelly McGonigal - TED - How to make stress your friend<br><br><a href="https://www.ted.com/talks/kelly-mcgonigal-how-to-make-stress-your-friend?language=en">https://www.ted.com/talks/kelly-mcgonigal-how-to-make-stress-your-friend?language=en</a><br>NS mental health 1:<br><a href="https://www.net-sixthform.co.uk/resources/view/video-mental-health-1-stress-communication-and-support">https://www.net-sixthform.co.uk/resources/view/video-mental-health-1-stress-communication-and-support</a> |

## 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.

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/>

**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)

**Psychology Career Day - Saturday 11th November 2023**  
**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

# Virtual Work Experience Programme

## Unlock the Biopharmaceutical World!

🔗 Join Pfizer's free virtual work experience programme and explore the biopharmaceutical industry 📁

Boost your career with hands-on insights into medicine development, health economics, marketing, and go-to-market strategies.

🌐 [Sign up](#) now for a transformative journey!

[Virtual Work Experience Programme](#)

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**SIEMENS**

Ready to arrive at your  
**career destination?**

Apprentice Insight Evening

**23rd November**  
**Chippenham**

Register here



Or [Siemens.co.uk/insight](https://www.siemens.co.uk/insight)

Create a better  
**#TomorrowWithUs**





**Deloitte, one of the world's leading professional services firms, have just opened their apprenticeship applications for 2024!**

Renowned for their commitment to excellence and offering a dynamic learning environment, apprentices can grow both personally and professionally through Deloitte's apprenticeship programmes.

Offering opportunities in areas such as Technology, Finance, Business Management, Law, and more, each of their programmes have been designed to help kickstart young peoples career, develop their skills and start making an impact!

All positions are available in multiple locations across the UK.

[Risk Advisory BrightStart Apprentice](#)

[Audit & Assurance BrightStart Apprentice](#)

[Tax Consulting BrightStart Apprentice](#)

[Enabling Functions BrightStart Apprentice](#)

[Legal BrightStart Apprentice](#)

[Business & Financial Advisory Apprentice](#)

[Technology BrightStart Apprentice](#)

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## 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>



# UNIVERSITY OPEN DAYS

2023

2024

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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**

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## 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:

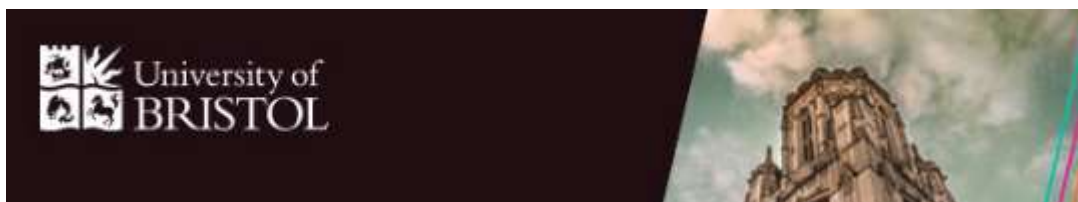
### Undergraduate Open Days – 18 November

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](#).



**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 7th 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>

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### Pilgrimages, Pandemics and the Past

Tom Holland

Tue, 07 Nov 2023

• [Watch Online](#)

• In-person tickets sold out

### Were There Pagan Goddesses in Christian Europe?

Professor Ronald Hutton

Wed, 08 Nov 2023

• [Watch Online](#)

• In-person tickets sold out

### Poetry of Prediction: Musical Time, Rhythm and Groove

Prof Milton Mermikides

Thu, 09 Nov 2023

• [Watch Online](#)

• In-person tickets [available](#)

### 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](#)

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- **November 7 @ 09:05 - 10:00** Geography: Making Cities Resilient to Climate Change & Improving Liveability – Sheffield (KS4 & KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 7 @ 14:15 - 15:00** Computer Science: Developing Secure Software with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 7 @ 16:00 - 17:00** China – Interdisciplinary University Perspectives & Debate – UEA & 1 Uni TBC (KS4 & KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 8 @ 15:35 - 16:20** Film/Media: Skills & Insight - Making Documentaries To Make A Difference with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 8 @ 14:00 - 14:45** Business/Geography: Examining Current Global Trends with UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **November 13 @ 12:30 - 13:15** Drama/Literature: Acting From Shakespeare’s First Folio – Solent University (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]
- **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 - 16:30** Media Ownership & Control – Tutorial – Aberystwyth (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]

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



**This week: Joel L; Tiggy K; Ashton M-T; Jack S; Charan G and Kismet G**

**Pet of the week:** Thanks Mia S, meet Digger and wish him a Happy 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday too!

