

POST 16 BULLETIN (4)



Week Beginning 22nd October 2018

'Into The Sixth Evening'

Our Sixth Form Opening Evening takes place tomorrow, Thursday 25th November from 6.00pm – 7.30pm on our Upper School Campus. Please do forward this information to anyone who would be interested in joining Barnwell School for their Post 16 studies.

I still require student helpers for this evening – if you could spare an hour and a half of your time to support the sixth form team, it'd be very much appreciated. Please contact Mrs Johnson if you can volunteer to help.

Year 13 Data Track 1

Year 13 data track 1 is now available for collection. There are still a number of students who have yet to collect these – please do so from the sixth form office. The information should be shared with parents / guardians; celebrate your achievements and address the areas where concerns have been raised. Should you wish to discuss your progress in a specific subject area, please contact your subject teacher in the first instance. If you are concerned about your progress in a number of areas, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Johnson or Mrs Chapman in the sixth form office.

UCAS Update

Our first UCAS applications have now been sent and students are already receiving offers. If you are intending on applying to University for September 2019 entry, you should be working on your personal statement and meeting with Mrs Johnson on a regular basis to work through this. The deadline for all applications is 15th January 2019.

Amazing Apprenticeships

Amazing Apprenticeships have published a Parent Pack which is full of resources aimed at helping parents understand the benefits of apprenticeships, including translated resources, dates for your diary and 6 ways to keep informed.

Please use the link below to access the pack:

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/app/uploads/2018/10/Parent-Pack-October-2018.pdf>

Sixth Form Study Room / Common Room

Why not stay after school to complete work? The sixth form study room / common room are open until 6.00pm.

Attendance

A gentle reminder that students are expected to be present, in school, every day from 8.35am – 3.00pm as a minimum and without exception. Your attendance should remain at 95% or above. If your attendance falls below 95% during the course of year, you may jeopardise your place within sixth form and if you are a Year 12 student, your place in the sixth form will be terminated at the end of the year. Should your attendance fall below 80%, you will be required to pay for your own examination entries.

If you are ill, please contact the school absence line on [01438 744416](tel:01438744416)



University of Hertfordshire – Student Shadowing Opportunity

The University of Hertfordshire are offering Student Shadowing days in November. Attending one of these days will give you the opportunity to gain an insight into a course and university life by shadowing one of their undergraduate students for the day.

When - The dates below will run from 9am-4pm:

- Tuesday 13th November
- Thursday 15th November
- Tuesday 20th November
- Thursday 22nd November

Where - University of Hertfordshire, Hatfield. Either College Lane Campus or Dehaviland Campus (depending on course).

How - You will be paired with a university student on a relevant course either by yourself or in groups of no more than three. You will follow that student for the day and attend any lectures, seminars and study sessions. You will also get the chance to ask questions and see areas around campus.

Who - These days are aimed at both Year 12 and Year 13 students to assist with your course choices, to give you a taste of student life, and to build your confidence.

Cost - Free, but you will need to bring their own lunch or a small amount of money to buy lunch on campus.

Student Shadowing Course Availability:

Biochemistry
Pharmacy
Law
Psychology

University of Reading – Year 12 Scholars Programme

Consisting of three, one day, on-campus activities and a three-day residential between January – July 2019, the deadline for applications for the University of Reading Scholars Programme is

the 9th November 2018. It is hoped that this experience will give you a great insight into what it is like to live and study at university. In addition, the programme will provide learning to support you in your work at school/college, study skills such as revision techniques to help them with your exams, and most of all, be a positive, engaging and fun experience.

Participating students receive a range of information, advice and guidance around attending university, you are mentored by one of their current students, and participate in one of ten strands, experiencing lectures and academic sessions led by our academics. The ten strands are:

- Art and Design
- Biology
- Business
- Chemistry, Food Science and Pharmacy
- English Literature
- History, Classics and Archaeology
- Languages
- Mathematics
- Physical Geography and Environmental Science
- Psychology

All costs including travel, food and accommodation are covered by the university. As a widening participation programme, participants need to meet our widening participation criteria, this is set out in our brochure. You can see more information about the programme, download the brochure, access the online application form and also view our eligibility criteria in full, via this webpage - <https://www.reading.ac.uk/teachers-and-advisors/events-and-activities/ta-readingscholars.aspx>.

As Reading Scholars participants, students are able to access a range of benefits should you go on and apply to Reading, so the programme may be of particular value to those considering applying to our university.

[Aviva are looking for school leavers and graduates for their 2019 trainee programme](#)

Investment20/20 Trainee Programme



If you are interested in starting your career next September, you are looking in the right place.

Aviva have opened their applications to their Investment20/20 Trainee Programme. There are opportunities in a range of departments. Interested? Keep reading...

While you may not have an in-depth understanding of the investment management industry, our programme will introduce you to this very worthwhile and exciting industry and the variety of roles and opportunities it has to offer.

You will gain industry knowledge, experience and develop relationships enabling you to progress your career and provide you with skills to secure a permanent job, either with us or with another industry firm.

You will gain experience across one or more of the following teams:

- Operations
- Trading
- Controls
- Transformation/Project Management
- Technology & IT

Key Information:

Closing Date: 8th December 2018

Assessment centre will take place between January and February 2019

Start Date: 9th September 2019

Location: London

For further details of the job description and how to apply, please visit:

https://investment2020.org.uk/our-employers/aviva-investors/investment2020-trainees-2019?utm_campaign=2211009_Aviva%20Trainee%20Programme%20Launch%2015%2010%202018&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Investment%202020&dm_i=2MCA,1BE0X,7WWR7L,49PQH,1

Winterwonderland

Our annual Sixth form trip to 'Winterwonderland' in Hyde Park, (London's largest outdoor ice skating rink which also boasts a giant observation wheel, toboggan slide, bungee ice dome, fairground rides and Christmas market) takes place on Thursday 20th December 2018. (This is the penultimate day of term – Post 16 lessons within the Stevenage Sixth Partnership end at 3.00pm on Wednesday 19th December, therefore no lessons are missed should you wish to attend this trip!)

We will depart from school at 7.30am and will return to Barnwell (Upper School Campus) at approximately 5.30pm. During the afternoon, students will be asked to break into small groups to organise their own agenda until our departure time of 3.30pm. (Students may wish to use the afternoon to have a meal, visit the street entertainers in Covent Garden or even complete some last-minute Christmas shopping in Oxford Street!)

The cost of the trip, which includes return travel by coach, ice skating and skate hire, is £25.00 (payment via School Gateway). If you would like to participate in this trip, please complete the

slip sent via SchoolComms (also available in the Sixth Form Common Room) and return it, with payment in full, to the finance office on our Upper School Campus by **Friday 9th November 2018**.

Places are limited and will be issued on a first come, first served basis.

Forthcoming Important Dates

GCSE re-sit English Exams – Monday 5th November (Paper 1), 8.30am (1hr 45mins)
Wednesday 7th November (Paper 2), 8.30am (1hr 45mins)

GCSE re-sit Maths Exams - Tuesday 6th November (Paper 1), 8.30am (1hr 30mins)
Thursday 8th November (Paper 2), 8.30am (1hr 30mins)
Monday 12th November (Paper 3), 8.30am (1hr 30mins)

Year 13 Mock Examinations - Week commencing - Monday 3rd December 2018 (timetable to follow)

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