SIXTH FORM BULLETIN 30 January 2015

Sixth Form Calendar

Friday 30 January	 Sixth form assembly – Holocaust Memorial Deadline for resit forms to be submitted to Mrs Cotton.
Saturday 31 Jan – Sun 1 Feb	Model United Nations at MHSG, 9am-5pm
Tuesday 3 February	 Parent/Carer drop in day PHSCE Day 2
Wednesday 4 February	 Start of 'non-uni' support programme
Tues 10 – Thurs 12 February	 School production – 'Oh! What A Lovely War', Main Hall. 7pm
Thursday 12 February	School closes to students at 3.10pm
Friday 13 February	INSET Day 3
Monday 23 February	School opens for staff and students
Wednesday 11 March	 Next Steps at 18 Information Evening – aimed at Year 12 parents

Dress Code

Can all students please ensure that they adhere to the dress code even in the cold weather. A reminder that hoodies, short skirts and tight trousers cannot be worn and no visible piercing are allowed. Any student inappropriately dressed will be asked to return home to change, irrespective of distance travelled. ID badges must be clearly <u>visible</u> at all times.

Year 13 Registration Procedure

Year 13 students need only attend registration on the days that they have a lesson period one. Any student with a non-contact period at the start of the day can come into school for their first time-tabled lesson. It is essential, however, that all students sign the register in the Pavilion when they arrive in school for health and safety reasons. Failure to sign in will result in this privilege being withdrawn. However, students must attend registration every Friday morning, regardless of free periods.

Signing Out Procedure

A reminder that students must only use the signing out books in main reception if they have free periods. Any student missing lessons due to sickness must speak to a Student Manager to get permission and sign out in the Pavilion before leaving the premises. Students are also requested not to cut across the fields, at any time of the day, to exit the school; the correct exit and entrance must be used to at all times.

Year 12 Post 18 Choices Evening

Our Post 18 Choices Evening will take place on Wednesday 11 March 2015 at 6pm in the main hall. The purpose of the evening is to outline some of the issues which need to be considered as your son / daughter makes choices regarding their post-sixth form future. This will include recent employment statistics, Higher Education options, student finance and the UCAS application process.

Please note: the information to be covered during the evening is aimed specifically at parents and will be conveyed to the students during a forthcoming PHSCE day. Students therefore need not attend, as space may be limited.

Year 12 Oxbridge Meeting

An initial meeting for year 12 students who may be interested in applying to Oxford or Cambridge took place during registration on Thursday morning. Students who attended the meeting are reminded to return the health form and payment to attend the forthcoming conference at Haydock Park (17 March). Any other students who wish to attend the Conference or be considered for the Oxbridge programme should see Mrs Lang.

Year 13 Re-sit Forms

Re-sit forms are available either from Mrs Cotton in the Main Office or the Sixth Form Student Managers. The deadline for submitting re-sit forms to Mrs Cotton is **Friday 30 January**. The forms require a signature from subject teachers so please ensure they are completed in good time. Any Year 13 student who misses this deadline will incur higher charges.

Parents'/Carers' 'Drop in' Day- Tuesday 3 February

Mr Hancock will be available throughout the day on 3 February 2015 to meet with parents/carers to discuss the implications of the mock examination results. Specific timeslots can be arranged by appointment, please call Mrs Lang on 01625 444154.

Transition from Year 12 to Year 13

A letter has been sent this week to all parents/carers of Year 12 students. This letter contains important information regarding the school policy for transition into Year 13. We would appreciate you returning the attached reply slip as soon as possible.

Looking Ahead

All Year 12 students are encouraged to be actively looking for work experience. Details contained in their letter dated 26 January 2015.

The 'non-uni' support programme - Wednesday 4 February

This will be launched in the Learning Area at 1.30pm on Wednesday 4 February. This programme is for any Year 13 student who has not applied to university and will offer guidance and advice on producing an impressive CV, how to search for jobs/apprenticeships and interview techniques. External recruitment advisers will run the sessions. Student will receive a letter of invitation to attend the course next week but the programme is also open to any Year 13 student who feels they may not be successful in securing a university place. Please see Mrs Rogers is this applies to you.

School production: 'Oh! What a Lovely War'

Tickets are on sale in High Options at lunchtimes. Tickets are £6 for adults and £4 for concessions. Performance dates: Tuesday 10, Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 February.

Sixth Form Pre-Owned Clothing Range

Need to make some extra cash and support the sixth form charity and May Ball fund? Why not check out your wardrobe and recycle any items you don't want/need? We will accept nearly new, good quality, laundered clothing and accessories and sell them on for you. Clothes will be available to purchase on Wednesday afternoons in the Pavilion. Please bring any items you may wish to sell to the Student Managers office on Monday mornings in time for the Wednesday sale. Any students who would be interested in helping with the organisation please see the Student Managers as soon as possible.

Sixth Form Car Park

<u>All</u> students must apply for a car park pass to enable them to park in the sixth form car park. We have had a couple of instances this week where a car needed to be moved urgently and we could not identify the driver. Students <u>should</u> not park in front of the green gates next to the green container as this causes an obstruction. To apply for a parking permit, please see Mrs Flannery in Pavilion. Permits will be issued in the very near future.

Nuffield Bursary

The deadline for the Nuffield Research Placement Scheme applications for 2015 has been extended to **Friday 13th February 2015**.