

SIXTH FORM BULLETIN

8 June 2015

Sixth Form Calendar

Wednesday 10 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 12 students return from study leave• Gold D of E meeting – 1.20 - 3pm in room 19
Friday 12 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 12 Assembly, 0845, Main Hall
Tuesday 16 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SMC meeting
Friday 19 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 12 Assembly
Mon 6 – Fri 17 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Independent learning Festival

Dress Code

Prior to study leave this had become particularly poor and a large number of students were failing to follow the rules in relation to this. On your return to school, I would like all students to ensure that they adhere to the dress code.

Please note that the wearing of jeans, leggings and short 'Bodycon' skirts is not permitted. Our dress code is based upon a smart, business-like environment and ethos. Any form of clothing that could be worn for 'going out' should be avoided.

During the first three days of the return from study leave, the Sixth Form team will ensure that students are clear about the expectations regarding the dress code. From Monday 15 June, any student failing to meet our expectations regarding the dress code will be sent home to change no matter the distance travelled to school.

A2 Study

On their return to school, the majority of students will be commencing their A2 courses. It is crucial that all students see this as an opportunity to make a positive start to their final year of academic study and to establish the foundations for Year 13. Any student that still has examinations is entitled to a half day study leave prior to their examination but they must inform their subject teachers that they will be absent from their lessons, as a matter of courtesy.

Students are expected to continue with all their existing subjects until the publication of the examination results in August; only in special circumstances will students be permitted to discontinue a subject prior to results day. Full attendance is compulsory during the summer term and annual holidays must not be taken during this period.

Automatic progression from Year 12 to Year 13 will only be guaranteed to students who achieve at least two AS results at 'E' grade or above. **Students achieving less than the minimum requirement of two 'E' grades will not be admitted into Year 13.**

BTEC students must pass all their modules to be able to continue into Year 13.

ID Badges

ID badges must be visible at all times. Any student arriving after registration has closed will need to use their badge to gain entry into the school building. Students will not be admitted through main reception.

Signing Out Procedure

A reminder that students must only use the signing out books in main reception, if they have non-contact 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 at all times.

Gold Duke of Edinburgh Meeting

There is a compulsory meeting for all Gold D of E students in year 12 on Wednesday 10 June 1.20pm - 3.00pm in room 19. All students must attend apart from the small number are still studying for exams. Any student unable to attend must let Mrs Farris know in advance.

SMC Meeting

The next SMC meeting will take place on Tuesday 16 June at 3.10pm in the Learning Area. Could all representatives please ensure that they are available to attend.

Contact Details

Please let us know if you change your mobile number or email address in order to keep you up-to-date with current information.

Independent Learning Fortnight - Monday 6 July – Friday 17 July (inclusive).

Full details regarding the organisation of this have been published.

During this fortnight, it is important that students take the opportunity to find a work experience placement. A self-placement form must be completed and returned to Mrs Lang by **Friday 26 June**, at the very latest, together with the £10 risk assessment fee. Any outstanding fees should be given to Mrs Lang as soon as possible.

Reference Request Letters

All students must submit a reference request letter to their form tutor. The primary purpose of this letter is to provide the information that will form the basis of your final school reference (for UCAS or employment purposes). The more detailed your reference request letter, the stronger your reference will be. Further guidance on the content of your reference request letter is available in the yellow post-sixth form guidance booklet. The official deadline for you to hand your form tutor a reference request letter is the Friday 19 June. Please liaise with your form tutor regarding this.

Year 12 Early Applicants

Meetings for all students considering making an early application through UCAS (Oxbridge, medics, vets and dentists) will take place on **Wednesday 17th June, Wednesday 24th June and Wednesday 1st July at 1.20 pm in the Learning Area**. It is important that students attend these meetings so please see Mrs Lang or Mrs Cook if you are unable to attend. In addition, students are offered the following opportunities:

- Wednesday 24 June at 1.20 pm – a talk from a former Wilmslow student currently studying at Cambridge
- Wednesday 24 June at 1.20 pm – a talk from a former Wilmslow student currently studying medicine
- Monday 29 June at 3.00 pm - a talk from a former Wilmslow student currently studying at Oxford
- Tuesday 30 June at 3.00 pm – the Oxford Road Trip will be visiting Wilmslow High School – for all Oxbridge students
- Tuesday 30 June at 3.00 pm – a talk from a former Wilmslow High School student currently studying veterinary science
- To be confirmed – a talk from a former student currently studying dentistry.

UCAS widget

On their return from study leave, Year 12s will begin to register for the 2015-16 UCAS application cycle. Parents and students can now access important information about UCAS through the Wilmslow High School website and by following the sixth form link.

Details of all placements/apprenticeships can be found on the school VLE under curriculum/careers and guidance/KS5 opportunities