

Sixth Form Weekly Update – 2nd October 2020

Good afternoon everybody.

We hope that you are well and have had a positive week.

Important - Assessment Period One

Sixth Form Assessment Period One is scheduled for the week commencing 19th October 2020. In assessment period one all students will undertake a classroom based mock exam/assessment. The aim of this assessment is to monitor progress made and to inform intervention and support decisions moving forward.

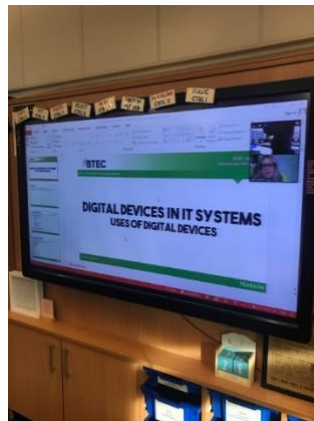
It is imperative that students are well prepared for these assessments and that they are doing the recommended independent study away from the classroom.

A formal progress report will be produced and sent home in early November to update students, parents and carers of progress.

Virtual Learning Success

This week we have successfully streamed lessons via zoom into the classroom. This means that all lessons can run as normal when staff are off site due to enforced isolation. The lessons have been a tremendous success and student feedback has been extremely positive.

Students isolating will be supported by subject areas via the subject's blended learning policy.



Important - Oxbridge / Medicine / Veterinary Applications – Deadline 15th October

15 October 2020 for 2021 entry at 18:00 (UK time) – any course at the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, or for most courses in medicine, veterinary medicine/science, and dentistry. You can add choices with a different deadline later, but don't forget you can only have five choices in total.

Important - UCAS deadlines approaching

An important reminder to all year 13 students that the internal UCAS deadline is Friday 24th October. Support and guidance is available on-site, and students are encouraged to use the vast range of website support resources available on the college website on the attached link <https://www.archbishopbeck.com/sixthform5.php>.

Personal Statement Support

We will be delivering a series of sessions to support you in writing your personal statement. These half hour sessions will start at 8.15 prompt, and will take place in ICT4. Places are limited. To book your place, please book in with Carolyn either personally or by email stating your preferred session. Next week's sessions will be as follows:-

- Tuesday 6th October – 8.15am
- Thursday 8th October - 8.15am

A Google Classroom called **UCAS personal statements has been created** and last week's slides have been added. The classroom code is **raxl6bz**

SEN Updates

We are currently working to ensure the specific needs of our SEN students is being addressed. Mrs Phillips is the key sixth form contact. She can be emailed at phillipsj@beck.uk.com. Any general queries can be emailed to SENCO, Mrs Browne at brownj@beck.uk.com.

Covid Protocol

If any family member displays Covid symptoms, the entire household must immediately isolate and a book a test. Please ensure that you are familiar with the Covid protocols outlined on the link below to ensure the health and safety of everybody on site.

<https://www.archbishopbeck.com/docs/Letters/2020-WhatToDoIfSomeoneHasSymptomsOfCovid19.pdf>

Face Coverings

It is compulsory that all students have a face covering in college at all times. The wearing of face coverings is now compulsory in all indoor communal areas of the college site including corridors.

General queries

Please keep in touch with any questions you may have. Email me (lynchp@beck.uk.com) or Deputy Head of Sixth Form, Mrs Noel-Mulhaney (Noel-Mulhaneys@beck.uk.com) with any specific sixth form queries.

Thank you once again for your support and have a wonderful weekend.

Stay safe.

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