

## Sixth Form Weekly Update – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Good afternoon everybody.

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

### **Important - Oxbridge / Medicine / Veterinary Applications – Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> 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.

Students must ensure that applications are sent to their referee no later than Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October. This will allow for careful checking, as well as a reference and predicted grades to be added. Applications will be sent to their referee once pay and send is selected on the actual application. Please email [lynchp@beck.uk.com](mailto:lynchp@beck.uk.com) with any questions.

Many universities require students to register for an entrance exam as part of a course application. Students must communicate any specific requirements with college staff urgently to allow for entries to be made before the 15<sup>th</sup> October deadline.

### **Important - UCAS deadlines approaching**

An important reminder to all year 13 students that the internal UCAS deadline is Friday 24<sup>th</sup> 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>. The UCAS Application Guide must be used to register and support completion of the application.

### **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:-

- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October – 8.15am
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> 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**

The following websites offer superb support and guidance with all matters university, especially personal statement examples.

<https://universitycompare.com/personal-statement-examples/>

<http://purepotential.org/>

## **LJMU University Application Support Sessions**

Two UCAS support sessions have been planned as we approach the half term application deadline. They will be hosted on site by Sharon Roden from Liverpool John Moores University. The support sessions will run from 12.30pm-2.30pm on the next two Wednesdays.

### **Important Reminder - Assessment Period One**

Sixth Form Assessment Period One is scheduled for the week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **Careers Wednesdays**

On a Wednesday we will be hosting online careers talks with local professionals in a variety of different career pathways. These talks are hosted by careers advisor, Antony Stagg. The sessions begin at 9am and run for approximately 45 minutes. Students must sign up for any sessions with Mrs Gibson in the sixth form office.

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October - Law

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October – Accountancy

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November - Apprenticeships

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November - Alder Hey Child Nursing

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Biomedical Sciences

### **General queries**

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

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

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