

Sixth Form Weekly Update – 16th October 2020

Good afternoon everybody. We hope that you are well and have had a good week.

Date change - Assessment Period One

Sixth Form Assessment Period One has been postponed and will now take place week beginning Monday 2nd November. This is due to the large number of students isolating in the run up to the originally scheduled date.

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.

Resit English and maths

Please see the table below for confirmed GCSE English and maths dates for after the half term break. For any specific queries linked to these exams please email noel-mulhaneys@beck.uk.com.

Monday 2 nd November	English 1	9:00-10:45
Tuesday 3 rd November	Maths 1	9:00-10:30
Wednesday 4 th November	English 2	9:00-10:45
Thursday 5 th November	Maths 2	9:00-10:30
Monday 9 th November	Maths 3	9:00-10:30

Important - UCAS deadlines approaching

An important reminder to all year 13 students that the internal UCAS deadline is Friday 23rd 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 session will be as follows:-

- Tuesday 20th 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.

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 21st October – Accountancy

Wednesday 4th November - Apprenticeships

Wednesday 11th November - Alder Hey Child Nursing

Wednesday 18th November – Biomedical Sciences

Face Covering Concerns

There are growing concerns about the inconsiderate use of face masks in college. A minority of students are not wearing them correctly, and others are needing constant reminders to cover their nose and mouth in designated areas.

It is compulsory that all students have a face covering in college at all times. The wearing of face coverings is compulsory in all indoor communal areas of the college site including corridors. Your support with this issue would be appreciated for the benefit of everybody on site.

Reporting student absence

Can we please request that all absences are reported to the sixth form team in college by 9am on the day of the absence. Please contact by telephone on 0151 525 6326 or email gibsonc@beck.uk.com. It is important that our systems are up to date to enable us the best support students isolating with home based content. Your support on this issue is much appreciated.

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.

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