



# Weekly Student Bulletin for Braintree Sixth Form Students Friday 23rd September 2022

Dear Students,

Despite the very unusual start to the week, there has been a sense of routine about the sixth form this week as we all get used to our timetables and, for Year 12, the new experience of being in the sixth form. Hopefully, you are all feeling settled and are happy with your choices – if this is not the case, do make sure you come to speak to me, Ms Brewis Shephard or Ms Watson. Any subject changes need to be made by next week at the latest.

I'd like to add my thanks to Ms Ryan's to those of you who helped out last Saturday – we really do appreciate that many of you gave up shifts at work to help out (and the rest of you gave up very precious lie ins!) You were all great ambassadors for the school and the sixth form, and I felt very proud to see so many of you there.

Another thank you goes to Alex, Kate, Dominic and Georgia for coming with me to the careers fair at Chelmsford City Race course on Wednesday and representing the sixth form so enthusiastically to 8 local schools.

## **Open Evening**

Our BSF Open Evening is on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November from 5pm until 8pm. I'm very much hoping that the prefect team and subject ambassadors will be available to help that evening, but it would also be great to see some Year 12s involved in representing the subjects you are enjoying. Please speak to your subject teachers if you would like to volunteer.

## **Early entries**

The deadline for early entry UCAS applications (Year 13 only) is getting very close (15<sup>th</sup> October) Please make sure your personal statements are being prioritised and that you are handing them in to me and your tutors for checking. Don't assume it is ready until I tell you it is!

## **Are you interested in Earth Sciences, Geology or Engineering Geology?**

I have had an offer of a careers talk about this area and would like to know who it may be of interest to. Please can you let me know by email if you are interested?

## **Dress Code: Skirt Length**

I have observed some very short skirts which are creeping ever higher! Please remember that the rule is that they should be nearer your knee than your bottom and should cover your bottom when you sit down. I do appreciate that some skirts may start the day at a decent length and then ride up, but this generally only happens when the skirt is too tight. Please expect to be spoken to if yours is too short.

## **Lucy S**

Lucy S in 12.3 is competing in a sailing competition this weekend in Devon. Good luck, Lucy!

## **GOSH Charity Walk/Run**

Carlos has been working with Ms Gladen to organise this event and it would be fantastic to see as many of you involved as possible. Carlos has displayed posters around the building with full details. As we are effectively working as a house and the aim is to collectively collect the most sponsors (as opposed to money), we could all help by sponsoring the whole sixth form one small amount. There will be a sponsor sheet on the noticeboard as you come into the building. We will do the walk (or run if you are fitter than me!) on Tuesday during period 1 so please bring trainers with you. You should only need to change into sports clothes if you choose to run.

## Café6

I am assured a plan is afoot to get this open for you soon. Thank you again for being so patient with the situation.

## Bursaries

If you think you might be entitled to a bursary towards educational expense like travel and equipment, please contact Ms Arthur to pick up an application form. The deadline to return this form is Friday 30th September.

Please view our policy for information regarding this:

[16 - 19 Bursary Scheme 2021 \(primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com\)](https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/16-19-Bursary-Scheme-2021)

## Opportunities for you

### Oracy Competition

Gresham College is launching a competition for Year 12 students in September 2022, to promote the art of communicating complex information in a clear, concise and compelling way. This year's theme is the environment and sustainability.

The Competition will:

- support the development of oracy skills.
- help students with UCAS applications and job interviews.
- promote a deeper understanding of the environment.
- introduce students to the inspiring research of world-class academics.
- be an opportunity to present in front of academics and professionals.

Students will submit a five-minute, recorded presentation – the main focus should be the student speaking but you can use images, graphs, or other visual props that help explain your points. Shortlisted candidates will then be invited to present again in person in London, and there will be three awards.

See posters or CDU for more details.

### ARU Health Care Taster Days

More information can be found here: <https://aru.ac.uk/study/open-day/tasterdays>

Link to booking form is [Book your taster day - ARU](#)

Medicine (Virtual)		
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	13:00-15:00	Virtual (MMI)
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2023	13:00-15:00	Virtual (Applications)
Midwifery		
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	10:00-14:30	Chelmsford Campus
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2022	10:00-14:30	Cambridge Campus
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	10:00-14:30	Cambridge Campus
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	10:00-14:30	Chelmsford Campus
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	10:00-13:00	Virtual
ODP		
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	10:00-14:30	Cambridge Campus
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	10:00-14:30	Chelmsford Campus
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	10:00-14:30	Chelmsford Campus
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2022	10:00-14:30	Cambridge Campus
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	10:00-12:30	Virtual
Paramedic Science		
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	10:00-14:00	Chelmsford Campus
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	10:00-14:00	Cambridge Campus
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2022	10:00-14:00	Chelmsford Campus
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	10:00-14:00	Cambridge Campus
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	10:00-14:00	Chelmsford Campus
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2022	10:00-14:00	Cambridge Campus
Social Work		
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	10:00-12:30	Virtual
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	10:00-12:30	Virtual

Thursday 19th January 2023	10:00-12:30	Virtual
<b>Nursing</b>		
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	10:00-14:30	Chelmsford Campus
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	10:00-14:30	Cambridge Campus
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2022	10:00-14:30	Cambridge Campus
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	10:00-14:30	Chelmsford Campus
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	10:00-13:00	Virtual

### **Investin STEM and Medicine Career Opportunities**

Excellent opportunities to test-drive a career before committing to it and receive tailored advice from successful professionals. Highlights include:

- Practise stitching up a wound
- Design the engineering to take humans to Mars
- Observe a clinical psychology assessment
- Design your own video game

Plus, Q&A time with all the professionals and guidance on university choices, interviews and applications.

View the programme and register your interest using this link:

[STEM & Medicine Weekends: Ages 15-18 – InvestIN Education](#)

### **Interested in a career in the property sector?**

Henley Business School is offering a summer school to Year 12 students considering a career in property, either through University or an apprenticeship. The 4-day school is fully funded and you will:

- Learn about the industry and the careers available
- Attend taster lectures
- Get involved in a group project and debate
- Go on site visits
- Experience life on a University campus

Find out more here:

[Summer School | Henley Business School](#)

### **University Preparation Course for students in Years 12 and 13**

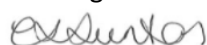
The University of Essex is offering an online course to get you ready for university. For details, follow this link: <https://www.essex.ac.uk/short-courses/university-preparation-programme>

### **Opportunities for your parents!**

Free Parents careers guides, designed to help parents support their children in making informed decisions about their future and developing skills to help them succeed, are available here:

[Get Your Downloadable 2022/23 Parents' Careers Guides \(successatschool.org\)](#)

Have a great weekend.



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