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News In Brief



Introducing Our New Deputy Head Girls

We were delighted to receive applications from 22 students for the position of Deputy Head Girl. On Tuesday, group interviews took place, and everyone should be proud of the way they presented themselves. We are pleased to announce that the following students have now been appointed: Amber Knight, Annabel Jones, Chloe Manby, Dami Gbaja, Esha Pangali, Freya Aitkin, Janhavi Singh, and Megan Edwards.



Sixth Form Update

After half-term, Year 12 and 13 students are expected to be in school for morning registration with their Form Tutor, by 8.45am. All students should remain on site until the end of Period 3, at 12.25pm. Only those who have a taught lesson in the afternoon are expected to stay at school for their afternoon lessons, and may leave at 2.05pm if they are free in Period 5 (There will be no PE for Year 12 during Period 5 on a Wednesday until further notice).

Anyone who wants to continue with their independent study in school, however, is very welcome to do so.

If a student leaves before 3.05pm, they must sign out in the Sixth Form block, or via the online app. We feel this is an important step in re-establishing a normal school routine, and will also enable us to deliver our holistic pastoral programme as effectively as possible.



The Lumière Film Society

World Hijab Day which is celebrated on 1st February each year: it aims to challenge discrimination and prejudice against Muslim women through education and awareness. This week we showed [Hala \(15\)](#), which follows teenage Pakistani, Hala, as she attempts to fulfill her familial, cultural, and religious duties.

Student Voice



Gender Contamination

By Rebecca Anderson

Gender contamination is a marketing phenomenon where brands distinguish the target audience of similar products as being either for men or for women. For example, when Cola-Cola released Diet Coke, it was instantly popular with women: the company saw this popularity and tried to spread it to men, but many male consumers did not want a product that they thought was for women. This caused them to release Coke Zero, which was marketed towards men by being packaged in a black can. The concept can also explain why being a tomboy isn't a bad thing, but being seen as 'feminine' guy is often looked down upon. This therefore exaggerates sexism, gender stereotypes and toxic masculinity.

Current Affairs



Calls for Boris Johnson to Resign

By Alice Stroud

Tobias Ellwood, a Bournemouth east MP, is another one of the many Tory MPs who will be submitting a letter of no confidence in the MP, after the discovery of the lockdown parties and cover-up in Number 10. A number of Tory MPs have said they have submitted letters; however the exact number of letters is not known, and at least 54 Tories must submit a letter to set up a vote on the MPs future.

The gathering in question, that occurred on the 13th November 2020, is one of 12 events in Downing Street and Whitehall being investigated by the metropolitan police for alleged COVID-rule breaking. The SNP's Westminster leader claims Mr Johnson misled MPs in December last year, when he denied being at this event: it was, however, later found in the investigation that this was untrue.



Consent

By Ciara McCann

Following the news of Manchester United player Mason Greenwood's sexual assault allegations, the topic of consent has once again been raised. Consent applies to any situation, whether you are in a relationship or not. Your voice is an influential tool to not only help those who are not heard, but also to teach those who are uninformed on this subject. Consent is, and will be, an immensely important subject which hopefully will be vocalised more and more. Use your voice and your platforms on social media to educate and alert people about this topic - it could make a positive difference in society.

Green Thought for the Week



**“I only feel
angry when I
see waste.
When I see
people
throwing away
things we
could use.”**

—Mother Teresa

Sixth Form Support



Careers and Tertiary Education Spotlight



Careers Information

Please note that we will be saving any careers information that we include in the bulletin in a file called 'Careers Information' on the public drive for students to access. Only new opportunities will be included in the weekly bulletin but you can still find the information from the past bulletins in the folder.



Opportunities

MI5 apprenticeships

MI5 are looking for Software Engineering Apprentices to start in their London or Manchester offices in September. They offer a starting salary of £22,889 (Manchester) or £24,385 (London), plus other benefits. You can see all the details and apply [here](#).

Volkswagen Group apprenticeship

The number of apprenticeships at Volkswagen include the Service Technician, Service Advisor, Parts Advisor, Paint Technician, Vehicle Body Repair Technician, Mechanical, Electrical and Trim (MET) Technician and Parts Sales Executive roles. Find details and apply [here](#).

Economist Degree Apprenticeship

The Government Economic Service has launched their Economist Degree Apprenticeship programme, starting in September 2022. Applications are open now for over 60 vacancies nationwide, with departments such as the HM Treasury and the Department for Work and Pensions. Applications close on Monday 14th February at 11.55am and you can apply [here](#).

Deloitte Apprenticeships

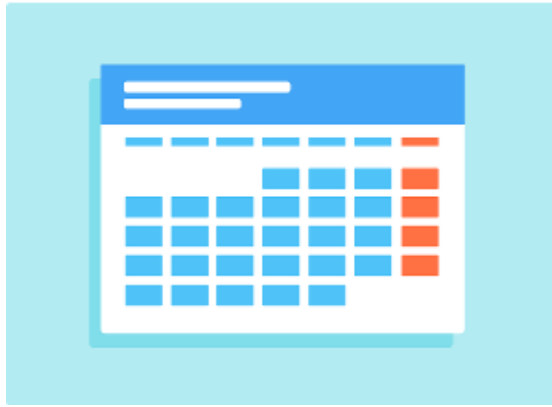
There are still vacancies for Deloitte's Bright Start apprenticeships in Reading and London. Please view details and apply [here](#). For information register for [this event](#) on 15th February 4pm.

Apprenticeship Search and Information

- [Berkshire Opportunities](#)
- [Government search](#)
- [The Apprenticeship Guide](#)

Activate Learning post 16 and post 18 options

You can watch Activate Learning's presentation on T- Levels at their Colleges [here](#). Please see their Higher Education options [here](#). Also have a look at their creative industries [offer](#).



Events

National Apprenticeship Week Events

7th February, 5pm, [ST Empowered – Operational Apprenticeships in the Utilities Industry](#).

8th February, 5pm, [Magnox Apprentices – Join the Nuclear Workforce of the Future](#)

11th February, 5pm, [Dstl – Apprenticeships that help keep the UK safe](#)

Springpod Apprenticeship Virtual Careers Fair

This is taking place virtually from 7th to 10th February. Please register [here](#).

Pearson Apprenticeship information

Anne Ashworth, Head of Employee Apprenticeships at Pearson, will be giving a virtual presentation on 8th February at 4pm. Please register [here](#).

Contact Us

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