

## Weekly Bulletin for Braintree Sixth Form Students, Parents and Carers Friday 17 July 2020

Dear Students, Parents and Carers

Well done to all as we reach the end of a very strange term. This is not the way we would have wanted the Summer term to run in normal circumstances, and it is obviously disappointing that a number of events including trips, visits and conferences have not taken place, although I would like to thank staff for providing 'virtual' alternatives in many cases. It has been very good to see many students back in the sixth form building this week, and we look forward to seeing students again in September. Later today, Dr Cusick and Mr James will be writing to all parents, carers and sixth form students with information about the plans at this stage for the whole school reopening in September. Please do take the time to read through this carefully.

## Year 13 students

We will keep you updated over the summer if there are any updates to arrangements for Results Day or any further detail about resit examinations.

## Essex County Council Guidance: Home-School Transport for September

If you travel to school via home-school transport you are asked to:

- ensure you have hand sanitiser and use it before boarding and on disembarking;
- ensure you (as you are over the age of 11) wear face coverings while travelling on public or school buses – unless you are exempt.

## Message from UCAS

We're pleased to announce dates for our new series of UCAS virtual exhibitions this autumn, designed to help your students focus their research within their chosen subject area.

- Business, Law and Finance 29-30 September
- Biological and Physical Sciences (including Sport Sciences) 16 October
- People Studies and Teaching (including Psychology, Sociology, Geography, Politics)
  23-24 October
- Maths, Engineering and Computing 2-3 November
- Creative subjects 13-14 November

If you have students considering applying to any of these subject areas, tell them to register their interest in their chosen event now at <a href="https://www.ucas.com/virtual-exhibitions">www.ucas.com/virtual-exhibitions</a> and we'll email them as soon as booking is available.

Our new online exhibitions mean your students can explore courses at lots of universities and colleges all around the UK. They'll have the chance to speak directly to key subject specialists, teaching staff and admissions experts, listen to topical seminars and ask questions, and pick up digital prospectus' and other information.

We'll be launching more virtual exhibitions for 2021 soon – keep an eye out for an email from us next term.

If you have any questions, please get in touch at <a href="mailto:events@ucas.ac.uk">events@ucas.ac.uk</a>.

I wish you an enjoyable and relaxing summer and greatly look forward to welcoming students back into sixth form in September.

Yours faithfully

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