



# **Weekly Student Bulletin for Braintree Sixth Form Students Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

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Dear Students

May seems to be flying by and next week will be the last week of compulsory studies for most of Year 13 as many will start their study leave on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. This year, study leave has only been allowed if students are on track to achieve their target grades, have good attitude to learning, are up to date and have high levels of attendance. Regardless of whether you are offered study leave or not, teachers will be available to teach every lesson up to the last exam so that we can continue to guide and support you. We all remember the stress of exam time so please feel free to come and talk/shout/cry if you need to – we will do all we can to make the process as calm as it can be for you. I've always found chocolate a great stress reliever and usually have a ready supply in my office which I might be willing to share with those in need!

On Tuesday, we will be holding the final assembly for Year 13 and it would be fantastic to see as many of you there as possible. There will be some awards, memories and maybe even tears...If you have photos of your time in the sixth form and are willing to share them, please send them to Amy Fenton.

## **University Offers and Finance**

Seventeen students have yet to respond to their offers from universities. If you have heard back from all of the universities you applied to, please don't delay in accepting your firm and insurance places. You won't be able to apply for accommodation until you have done this.

A reminder too that, to guarantee your finance is in place for the start of the university term, you must complete student finance before the 20<sup>th</sup> May. I'd advise you not to leave it until the last minute as their website can take a long time to get onto when it's busy.

## **Leavers' Event**

If you require a vegetarian meal for the leavers' event, please can you let Ms Arthur know as soon as possible. So far only four people replied to the prefects about this so, if you weren't one of the four, you may be left with hog roast if you don't act quickly...

Final payments for the event are due now so please check Parent Pay to see if you have paid in full.

## **Returning books**

Year 13 will need to return all library and textbooks to the sixth form after their last exam. As well as returning them directly to the library, there will also be boxes to drop them in at the exam venues and around the sixth form.

## **Year 12 Prefects**

The media team will be taking individual photographs in 222 on Tuesday lunchtime. If you would like a new one to go on the prefect board, please go along (if not, I will use your lanyard picture!)

## **Free Lunches Available**

Miss Ryan would like some sixth form help in the canteen at break and lunchtime – ideally two sixth formers on two of the doors. If we can get 20 volunteers, you would only need to do this once a week; if we can get 40 volunteers, it need only be once a fortnight. You will get a free lunch on the day you volunteer. It would be great to see the sixth form involved in supporting the lower school and actively being good role models. If you are willing to do this, please let me or Kate Ager know.

### **Matilda Auditions**

Auditions for the school production of Matilda will take place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> May in the theatre and are open to all years. You don't need to prepare anything – just turn up. I might try out for the part of Miss Trunchball.

### **Opportunities for you**

#### **Level 3 or 4 ICT Apprenticeship**

An opportunity for an Apprentice ICT Technician working alongside teachers, LSAs and admin staff in schools. The role is for an on-site technician. The company support ICT in Primary Schools across north Essex. They encompass administration and curriculum ICT – all ICT and some AV equipment within the school. If you are interested, see me for more details.

#### **The University of Law:**

Undergraduate Open Days: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June and 16<sup>th</sup> July

Find out about the range of law, business, criminology and policing courses. Book here:

[https://www.law.ac.uk/events/open-days/?utm\\_source=Buzz+Education&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=BuzzEduENewsMay22&utm\\_ID=23532](https://www.law.ac.uk/events/open-days/?utm_source=Buzz+Education&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=BuzzEduENewsMay22&utm_ID=23532)

Criminal Investigation Days - for students looking to experience what the role of a lawyer, criminologist, forensic police officer or judge would be like, and to find out how they interrelate with each other. Book here: [https://www.law.ac.uk/landing/ci-day-tony-martin/?utm\\_source=Buzz+Education&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=BuzzEduENewsMay22&utm\\_ID=23541](https://www.law.ac.uk/landing/ci-day-tony-martin/?utm_source=Buzz+Education&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=BuzzEduENewsMay22&utm_ID=23541)

Look at the range of bespoke workshops on offer here: [https://www.law.ac.uk/resources/schools-and-colleges/activities-and-events/?utm\\_source=Buzz+Education&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=BuzzEduENewsMay22&utm\\_ID=23537](https://www.law.ac.uk/resources/schools-and-colleges/activities-and-events/?utm_source=Buzz+Education&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=BuzzEduENewsMay22&utm_ID=23537)

#### **Investin Law & Finance Summer Experiences**

Investin are offering students aged 12-18 world-class experience in law and finance-related careers this summer. They will conduct immersive work experience activities alongside corporate lawyers, M&A bankers, UN staff, hedge fund managers, criminal barristers and more; in world-famous London locations, including the Supreme Court, the Houses of Parliament and skyscraper City headquarters. Register here: [https://investin.org/pages/law-finance-summer-experiences-ages-15-18?utm\\_source=UK+SCHOOLS+MASTER&utm\\_campaign=86b81f6e0d-bankersschoolmar\\_COPY\\_01&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_bfccb03bbd-86b81f6e0d-139371145&mc\\_cid=86b81f6e0d&mc\\_eid=c424d1b682](https://investin.org/pages/law-finance-summer-experiences-ages-15-18?utm_source=UK+SCHOOLS+MASTER&utm_campaign=86b81f6e0d-bankersschoolmar_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_bfccb03bbd-86b81f6e0d-139371145&mc_cid=86b81f6e0d&mc_eid=c424d1b682)

#### **PwC's Virtual insight Week**

If you're interested in a career in the world of accounting, business or technology, this week-long programme will offer an insight into PwC and professional services, with participants able to join the sessions most relevant to them. Our Student Recruitment team will also be running employability sessions that will help students feel more confident when they begin their career search. The deadline for applications is 22 May. Apply here: <https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/student-careers/school-careers/our-programmes/insight-weeks.html>

#### **University of Suffolk Events**

- Making a Difference: Health and Social Science Conference: Wednesday 25th May. Taster sessions on Nursing, Radiography, Midwifery, Paramedic Sciences, Social Work, Childhood, Psychology, Sociology and Criminology; and a separate strand specifically for students considering a degree and career in Social Work
- Visit us at the Suffolk UCAS Fair on 14 June, where we'll be hosting Universities from all across the UK. Bookings can be made through UCAS here:  
<https://www.ucas.com/events/suffolk-ucas-exhibition-2022-404006>
- Unicamp (poster attached): a Year 12 fully-funded residential summer camp taking place on Monday 4- Friday 8 July
- Open Events: Postgraduate 19 May and Undergraduate 2 July Open Events registration | **University of Suffolk (uos.ac.uk)**

### **SOAS & Royal Economics Society - Discover Economics Event**

SOAS University of London is running an Economics Enrichment day in partnership with the Royal Economics society on Saturday 25th June. The event will be held on the SOAS campus in London and travel expenses (train tickets) will be covered for students who live outside the London Oyster card zone.

The day is aimed at students in Year 12 who are interested in finding out more about Economics both at university and beyond. It is open to all students in Year 12 and you do not need to either be studying Economics or have previous experience of studying Economics to participate. You will hear from leading academics, people working in different sectors having studied Economics and have a chance to meet current Economics students.

Places are limited and they will be prioritising students who meet at least one of the following criteria:

First generation in family to attend university in the UK

Eligible or previously eligible for free school meals

Experience of local authority care


From an area of low progression to higher education (as measured by Polar 4 data)

More details (including a draft programme) and the application form can be found here:.

<https://www.soas.ac.uk/widening-participation/outreach/sixth-form/masterclasses/25jun2022-discover-economics-enrichment-day.html>

The deadline for applications is Friday 3rd June.

Have a great weekend (I'm going to try to resist Eurovision as the disappointment is too much!)



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