



Weekly Student Bulletin for Braintree Sixth Form Students Friday 24th May 2024

Dear BSF Students,

We have reached the end of another half term, and it feels like it has been no time at all since writing that at the end of the last half term. I would like to say just how well all students have been approaching their exams and how you have been conducting yourselves around the Sixth Form during the exam period. We are very proud of all students. There is still a way to go yet until those final exams, but hopefully the weeks break now will be useful and used wisely. This includes year 12 students who will have lots to feedforward to be doing following your exam week.

Notices

Expectations and Attendance

In the assembly this week I spoke to year 12 students about the general expectations within the Sixth Form and the importance of attendance. In the final half term of this year, we will have a particular focus on monitoring attendance and ensuring that the dress code is being adhered to. A full description of the dress code was shared in the assembly and can also be found here: <https://www.braintreesixthform.com/about/sixth-form-dress-code>

Enrichment/Unifrog and July 3rd Study Day

All students should be logging their enrichment activities on Unifrog. Wednesday July 3rd will be a study day for all students due to the new year 12 induction day taking place on this day. However, this day will be used for gaining and logging enrichment hours for any students who have not been able to log any yet. We also welcome the support of any prefects and subject ambassadors for this day.

Mock assessment centre – Aim Apprenticeships

On Tuesday 4th June during period 1 we will have Aim Apprenticeships running a mock assessment centre. This is an opportunity for students to find out what an Assessment Centre is, how employers use them, and it also gives students a chance to have a taste of this with a fun practical mock assessment centre exercise. All year 12 students are expected to attend.

Higher education Fair – trip for year 12 students

A letter has been sent out to all year 12 students with information about a trip to a higher education exhibition. This year we will be attending the event at Suffolk University on Tuesday 11th June. All students in year 12 are expected to attend. Any absences on this day should be communicated via Ms Watson in the same way as it would for any other day in the Sixth Form. If anyone requires support with the financial aspect please speak to me or Ms Arthur.

Work experience week

A reminder that work experience week is 8th-12th July. All forms must be with Ms Watson by **Friday 14th June**. If we have not received your form the expectation is that you will be in the Sixth Form this week.

ParentPay accounts

There are a number of students in debt on ParentPay. Please could you check this and then make payments asap if required. If you require ParentPay login details, please ask Ms Arthur.

Library Book Return Request

Please could Year 13's return any library, textbooks or academic reading books they no longer need. They can be put in the blue returns box on the library desk or given to Mrs Millbank. Thank You.

May half term revision – Business and Economics Year 13

A Level Business

Tuesday 9.30-12.30

Paper 3 final preparation

211 - A Wilson

A Level Economics

Wednesday 1.00- 3.30

Paper 3 final preparation

211 - A Wilson

Acknowledgements

Congratulations to Emily A in year 12 who plays for Colchester United ladies and with her team won both the league and the Essex County League Cup.

Opportunities for you

Applying to study economics at university

Tutor2u have produced a guide for anyone who may be interested in applying to study economics at university. Tips on how to apply, what to include in your personal statement or even what a degree a degree in economics is about! The link to the magazine is:

[Econ | Print | Mag | Applying to Uni 202425 \(tutor2u.net\)](#)

Discover the future in Mechanical Engineering, Robotics, Business and Psychology at the Museum of London Docklands

Leading researchers from Heriot-Watt University will be introducing their latest research to the next generation of scientists, engineers and entrepreneurs at Watt Matters! at the Museum of London Docklands on 28th June 2024.

Watt Matters! features four keynote lectures on the latest research in Mechanical Engineering, Robotics, Business and Psychology with each topic followed by an alumni speaker focusing on how they are using their degree in their current careers.

Aimed at students aged 16-18 years, the event aims to inspire students to consider studying these subjects at university, discover how their learning in the classroom is applied in real life and boost their UCAS personal statements.

To book a place, please visit the [website](#), click the button below or contact a.mackay@hw.ac.uk for more information. [Book Now](#)

EDT/YINI's Featured Placement opportunities for 2024/25

We currently have over 50 placements with our partner companies keen to take on a school leaver for a 12-month paid placement before the student heads off to university, starts an apprenticeship or goes into permanent employment. Students placed through the scheme are supported by [EDT](#).

Placement vacancies - what students need to do:

- Browse our most recently added vacancies above or to see the full placement vacancies list [click here](#)
- Once you find a role that you're interested in, ensure that you have the required qualifications before applying.
- You will then complete an application form for that specific role – **remember to copy and paste the vacancy reference into your application form.**
- [You can access the Application Form here](#)
- Please note, you can apply for more than one role.
- If you are long-listed for the role, then we will contact you for your CV. **Please make sure that you have it ready if we request it. Read our CV guidance [here](#) to get started.**

If you require any further information, please contact studentrecruitment@etrust.org.uk.

INVESTIN - Final Call for 2024 Summer Experiences

This is the **final call** for students to join our 2024 Summer Experiences. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to make the most of their summer break by experiencing their future career first-hand.

Places on our programmes are filling up quickly, and we expect to close registration by **Friday 31st May** for our July summer experiences. Accommodation at UCL halls of residence is available for those who require it, with all meals, evening activities and guardianship included.

[View PDF](#)

[View Summer Experiences](#)

Students' Guide 2024 – Released last month, and a great resource to share with your students. Including insights from over 40 university experts, and student finance tips from Martin Lewis. No registration is required, so please share this with the students you support. The link to share is [HERE](#).

Events for Students - Browse over 600 exciting events listed for students, with new opportunities added daily. We're approaching open day season, including events coming up at [Buckinghamshire New University](#), [Sheffield Hallam University](#), and [Swansea University](#), among many others. Search all [HERE](#).

The Uni Guide Podcast - Tune in to Episode 29, as we explore where university students live during their course. Featuring Foujia, a student hoping to start university this September, Anton, a final year, and Ishan, a recent graduate. Listen to this and all episodes [HERE](#)

Find a university open day

<https://www.opendays.com/>

<https://www.whatuni.com/open-days/>

Essex Opportunities Apprenticeships

Essex Opportunities is a one stop shop for information and advice on jobs, careers, skills and training. Funded by Essex County Council, this portal has everything you need to help build a career. Use this portal to search for jobs, courses and apprenticeships based in Essex!

[Essex Opportunities Apprenticeship Portal](#)

Essex University Opportunities

15 June: [Summer Open Day](#)

3 and 4 July: [Summer Insight Days](#)

Our [Summer Insight Days](#) provide the perfect opportunity for students in Years 10-13 to sample two subject areas and meet our enthusiastic staff members within the Faculties of Science and Health, Arts and Humanities and Social Sciences. In addition to participating in taster sessions, students will have the opportunity to take a tour of our Colchester campus and participate in a student and staff Q&A panel.

Wednesday 4 July- Humanities and Social Sciences

Students can explore subjects such as Philosophy, History, Literature, Film, Law, Sociology, Economics, Politics, International Relations, Business, and Finance.

Thursday 5 July- Science and Health

Students can explore subjects such as: Sports, Psychology, Maths, Nursing, Social Work, Biological Sciences, Computer Science and Electronic Engineering.

Visit our [event webpage](#) to find out more, and complete our [online form](#) to book places for your students.

Have a great weekend and half term.



Ms A Brewis-Shephard
Head of Sixth Form