



Weekly Student Bulletin for Braintree Sixth Form Students Friday 31st March 2023

Dear BSF Students,

You have made it to the end of another term, and this has been another successful term in the Sixth Form for many different reasons. I hope you can take the time to reflect on everything you have done and all the achievements you have made, from the very small daily achievements to many bigger accomplishments, both inside and outside of the Sixth Form.

As reports are sent home at the end of this term, and conversations take place at Parents and Carers' evening and with members of the leadership team, we hope that parents/carers and all of you will be rightly proud of what has been achieved so far, as well as seeing what needs to be focused on when we return for the next term, particularly for year 13 students as the exam season will begin.

We refer to the time in sixth form as being a journey; you are now further along in this journey and many of you are nearing the end. The journey is rarely a straight line - however, we value being part of each student's journey and helping you fulfil your aspirations and setting you on to your next steps, whatever that may be.

This Easter break will be an important one for year 13; revision should be well underway as you are now less than two months away from exams starting. However, it is also important to maintain a balance and look after yourself. Try to vary your revision activities so that you stay interested in it. Staff are looking forward to welcoming many of you into the Sixth Form for revision sessions over the Easter break.

End of term assembly

I apologise that the end of term celebration assembly was unable to take place as planned this Tuesday during period 1. This will now take place on the first Tuesday back after the Easter break. There will be a theme around thinking differently, a focus on revision and the opportunity to recognise and celebrate many students for achievement awards, community awards and the roles taken in the MUN.

Sign in and out app

You should have all received an email from Sign In App Companion this week. This email contains a code that was valid for 72 hours and allows you to connect to the sign in app. This app allows you to sign in and out of the Sixth form as an alternative to using the Ipad at the entrance. You can sign in and out via either method. If you have not retrieved the code from the email in time or deleted the email by mistake, please let me know on return to the Sixth Form after Easter and we will contact IT about re issuing a code.

It is really important that you sign in and out using either method as this is used for our fire evacuation procedure. We had a fire drill on Wednesday afternoon this week and a number of students had left the Sixth Form and not signed out and were therefore unaccounted for.

Exam support session – jo MB

Jo Morton-Brown will be leading a couple of exam workshops for year 13 students after the Easter break. These will run on a Wednesday period 5 and will be a one off one hour workshop. Please see the poster below for details. If you feel like this would be beneficial to you, please pass your name onto Ms Watson or myself. We will then let you know the date and venue of the session.

Year 13 Exam Workshop



One-hour, one-off workshop - Wednesday, P5

Perfect opportunity to prepare yourself for the many demands of the upcoming exam season

This workshop with Jo is where you will focus on:

- Dealing with exam pressure
- Going through different revision techniques
- Coping with other people's expectations
- Relaxation techniques



Speak to Mrs Brewis-Shephard or Ms Watson to put your name forward

Opportunities for you

Online work experience course this weekend – career in healthcare

We have a free course this weekend for all of your students that might be considering careers in medicine.

Ideal for your students aged 14-18 who may be considering careers in healthcare, this work experience course focuses on Radiology & is an interactive day where students can get involved in diagnosing patients.

It takes place online this **Sunday the 2nd April from 2pm-4pm BST** and students can obtain a work experience certificate for completing the course.

It's completely free for them to attend and they just need to visit the link below to sign up to the class.

<https://www.premedprojects.co.uk/free-work-experience-sessions>

University Open days

Explore and see all university open day dates on one website.

[Home - 2023 Open Day Dates \(myopendays.co.uk\)](http://myopendays.co.uk)

Uni taster days

Events for students – this month's featured institution is the [University of Sheffield](#) who have over 25 exciting online taster events coming up.

Subject webinars - explore university subjects through the [webinar platform](#) – including the UK's first video subject guide. Our latest webinar release is [Computer Science](#)

The Uni Guide Podcast – the [latest episodes](#) introduce summer schools and university events. Featuring university experts and a student panel.

Students' Guide to University 2023 - released this month and [available now](#)

Technology Apprenticeships at Deutsche Bank - apply today

At Deutsche Bank, we're designing the digital bank of the future and we're looking for curious and creative school leavers to help shape it.

Our Technology Apprenticeship Programme is your opportunity to work at the heart of a global bank rapidly transforming the way we work, and our industry works. Your time will be split between hands-on experience in the teams driving that change and technical learning that will give you the skills to become a stand-out Software Developer within 18 months.

In the classroom, you'll learn everything from the essentials of software development to the latest innovations in big data and AI. In your day-to-day work, you'll get the chance to turn learning into impact as you work alongside industry experts on real projects and managers who will coach and mentor you to achieve your potential. You'll also experience our inclusive culture, where everyone, regardless of background, brings their own perspective and is both heard and valued. If you're excited about the potential of technology, this is the place for you. The future is yours to shape.

Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis, so early applications are encouraged!

[Click to apply for our Technology Apprenticeship](#)

Apply to NAO's Apprentice Accountancy Scheme by 6th of April

We want to share an exciting opportunity that we believe will be of interest to students interested in a career in accountancy.

The [National Audit Office's \(NAO\) Apprentice Accountancy Scheme](#) is a respected training scheme that offers a unique opportunity for students to learn and grown in their career.

The NAO is the UK's independent public spending watchdog that supports Parliament in holding government to account for its use of public money. The apprenticeship is a fantastic way for students to gain valuable experience in this field, while also earning a salary and working towards a fully-funded and globally recognised accountancy qualification.

During the apprenticeship, students will work alongside experienced professionals in areas including audit, financial reporting and financial management. They will have the opportunity to contribute to high-profile audits and work on challenging projects, gaining practical experience, and developing essential skills.

The NAO is looking for motivated and talented individuals who are committed to learning and growing in their career, and we believe this training scheme would be an excellent opportunity.

If you know of any students who may be interested in this opportunity, please direct them to the NAO's accountancy scheme through the button below for further information and to apply.

Hurry though as applications close on **Thursday 6th April 2023 (23:59)**.

[Find out more & apply](#)

Free NHS expert-led 'Managing Study Stress' webinar

The webinar offers insights into the common triggers and symptoms of stress and provides guidance on cognitive and behavioural techniques which students can learn and use themselves to tackle these symptoms. These skills can be particularly helpful for students as they prepare for exams and other assessments.

New dates have now been released; the webinar will next run on the following dates:

- **Wednesday 5th April 2023, 1:00 – 2:00pm**
- **Tuesday 30th May 2023, 1:00 – 2:00pm**

Please note this webinar is open to the public and those attending will be anonymous.

For more information and to register, go to: <https://www.hpft-iapt.nhs.uk/resources-and-self-help/webinars/managing-study-stress>

Have a good weekend.



Mrs A Brewis-Shephard
Deputy Head of Sixth Form



Careers Evening

Thursday 16th March

5pm - 8pm

P & A Wood are authorised Rolls-Royce Motor Car Dealers, Bentley Service Dealers and Rolls-Royce and Bentley Heritage Dealers, specialising in sales, service, restoration and spare parts for the entire range of pre and post war Rolls-Royce and Bentley motor cars from 1904 to the present day.

Our showrooms and workshops will be open and our team on hand to show you what a career in the automotive industry looks like with tours of the different departments. If you are interested in bodywork, mechanical engineering, trimming, fitting, engine rebuilding or any other automotive career please come along...



Mechanical
Workshop Tours
6pm & 7.30pm

Coachwork Tours
5.30pm & 7.00pm

Spaces are limited so please register your attendance
with Lisa Gardiner lisa.gardiner@pa-wood.co.uk

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