

TRANSITION FROM YEAR 11 TO SIXTH FORM

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#STAYSAFE

This week we saw Year 12 come back to have subject meetings with their teachers. I was so pleased to see Year 12 and to listen to how they have coped and managed through the lock down. I was so impressed with their resilience, motivation to achieve and above all else their determination to succeed even in adversity. A lesson for us all. Year 12 wanted to come back and engage in some face to face learning and teachers just wanted them back to be able to teach them. We are inviting Year 12 back next week for workshops on Post 18 destinations. The workshops include applying to universities, finding out about apprenticeships, funding and registering on the UCAS application system.

We start some face-to-face support and teaching the week after and will complement this with some virtual classroom sessions. I am so happy to be able to, even if it is small steps, invite Year 12 back. The week also saw the deadline for Year 13 to make their final Firm and Insurance university choices. This week showed me that even if we feel that 'today' isn't going well, we still have 'tomorrow'. Live the dream and plan for success.

THE BEST EASY GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUESTIONS (ANSWERS ON PAGE 5)

1. What does BBC stand for?
2. What nut is used to make marzipan?
3. What element does 'O' represent on the periodic table?
4. Who was British Prime Minister before Theresa May?
5. Who won I'm A Celebrity... Get Me Out Of Here! in 2019?
6. What's the name of the river that runs through Egypt?
7. In metres, how long is an Olympic swimming pool?
8. Can you name the actors who played Rachel Green, Joey Tribbiani, Phoebe Buffay, Chandler Bing, Monica Geller and Ross Geller in Friends?
9. What's the name of the Royal family's castle in Scotland?
10. What five basic senses do humans have?
11. Who played Jack Sparrow in Pirates Of The Caribbean?
12. Which English town has football teams called United and Wednesday?
13. How many people are there on an English jury?
14. What are the 7 colours of the rainbow?
15. What five colours are the Olympic rings?

SIXTH FORM INDUCTION AND ENROLMENT

We are making plans to share our Induction remotely from our website. We are collating information this week and producing some videos to share with you next week. I am so excited. My chance to be a Producer, Director and actor. Shows that we learn new skills all the time.

For those of you who are anxious about your GCSE results and entry to sixth form, I want to reassure you that we want students to have positive pathways and we are open to discussions and conversations at enrolment. It is important that we share impartial information, advice and guidance with you to help you make your choices.

SUBJECT TRANSITION TASKS

Our subject transition tasks are now on the website. We have already shared information about each subject and the wider reading you could be doing. Staff have enjoyed creating these and I hope you enjoy the tasks they have set.

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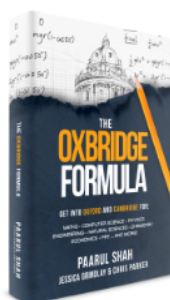
Why It Matters resources for Year 11 and post-16

We have asked our graduates and researchers to tell us about their own career paths, why they chose their degree subject and ultimately why their subject matters. We hope that these resources might offer some insight for your students as they try to understand the impact of their option choices both for Year 11 students making A Level choices and post-16 students considering Higher Education.

[READ MORE](#)

A RESOURCE THAT IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR WIDER READING

The Oxbridge Formula
Best-selling book demystifies the Oxbridge application process for STEM subjects and Economics.



**NEW
BOOK:
AVAILABLE
ON AMAZON**

CONNECTING WITH CURRENT STUDENTS AT THE UNIVERSITIES OF CAMBRIDGE, DURHAM AND OXFORD

They are a group of current students at The Universities of Cambridge, Durham and Oxford. They are very excited to be chatting with prospective Higham Lane Sixth Form students later this term about the application and preparation process to gaining a place in top universities. If any student or parent would like further and tailored advice they can be reached via their website

www.thecambridgeandoxfordtutors.com.

As a group, they cover a huge array of the degrees on offer at these Universities - so do not hesitate to reach out!

NEW: UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD VIRTUAL OPEN DAYS WED 1 AND THURS 2 JULY 2020 9am-5pm

You don't have to register in advance, but if you do you will receive extra information about how to take full advantage of the two days. There will be plenty of opportunities to watch video tours of different colleges, meet student ambassadors virtually, and chat to them and also tutors in live online chatrooms as well as much much more!

WHAT ELSE CAN YOU DO NOW?

It would be really beneficial for you to invest some time on these weekly tasks to fully prepare you for sixth form.

Year 11 Vimeo channel link is **<https://vimeo.com/showcase/7013773>**

Year 11 student password is **netsixth11**

THIS WEEK – look at the previous videos and catch up with workshops that you may have missed.

USEFUL LINKS TO SUPPORT YOUR HEALTH & WELLBEING

The Duchess of Cambridge will lead an online assembly for the Oak National Academy during which she will speak about the importance of mental wellbeing among children. The theme of the Duchess' assembly is 'spread a little kindness' and is based on a lesson plan which is available on the Mentally Healthy Schools platform. This platform was developed in collaboration with children's mental health charity Place2Be and encourages children to explore ways in which they can show kindness and recognise the benefits of kindness to others.

The Mentally Healthy Schools platform can be accessed here:

www.mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/

The assembly will be live on the Oak National Academy website at 11am on Thursday 18 June and can be accessed here:

www.classroom.thenational.academy/assemblies/

A recording of the assembly will be available to view on the Oak National Academy website following the event.

NHS mindfulness - <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/mindfulness/>

NHS exercise - <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/exercise/>

Sing with Aga-[new videos released each Friday](#)

ANSWERS

1. British Broadcasting Corporation
2. Almonds
3. Oxygen
4. David Cameron, between 2010 - 2016
5. Jacqueline Jossa
6. The Nile
7. 50 metres
8. Jennifer Aniston (Rachel Green), Matt Le Blanc (Joey Tribbiani), Lisa Kudrow (Phoebe Buffay), Matthew Perry (Chandler Bing), Courteney Cox (Monica Geller) and David Schwimmer (Ross Geller).
9. Balmoral Castle
10. Smell, taste, sight, hearing and taste
11. Johnny Depp
12. Sheffield
13. 12
14. Red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet
15. Blue, yellow, black, green and red



LOOK OUT FOR ISSUE 8 ON FRIDAY 26TH JUNE.

Please contact me on
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Till next week – stay safe.

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