

Your Bright Future starts here



What happened last week in Sixth form

Both Year 12 and 13 started off the week with an assembly; Year 12's focus was on the next steps for their future, whether that be an apprenticeship, university or the world of work and Year 13's saw the launch of their Yearbook, showcasing their time here at United College Sixth Form. Tuesday was Up For Discussion, Year 12's focused on the new David Attenborough show about Britain's declining wildlife that seems to have been side lined by the BBC and Year 13 discussed how women carry the load when it comes to unpaid work, such as housework and childcare. Wednesday and Thursday were strike days this week, but students from both years were in for exams or to revise for any upcoming mocks.

Biology talk from University of Bristol

Students attended a talk by Bristol university about the importance of electricity within biology. They looked at its role in the natural world and within our bodies. They also looked at ECGs and how to build a homemade one.

Leadership roles

The current student leadership team will be stepping down from their roles after the Easter half term, which means that we need a whole new leadership team from the current Year 12s. Students were informed in an assembly about the different roles that are available to them.

The student council is led by two Student Presidents whose role it is to liaise with the council and the Directors of Sixth Form about any enhancements they would like to make, any charity events, college competitions or supra-curricular events that they would like to lead.

The council is also made up of the following roles; academic champion, healthy lifestyle champion, diversity and inclusion champion, charity champion, four college captains and a supra-curricular champion. All of these roles give students a chance to lead on different aspects of United College Sixth Form, ensuring that all students have a well-rounded experience here.

Year 12 students can apply for the Student President roles now, by writing a letter of interest to Mrs Dodsworth.

Revision tips

Over the past few terms y13 have learnt a number of revision strategies. Here are some of the key tips for success when revising to ensure you are working smarter and not harder. Make sure your revision time is planned, and that you've scheduled in regular breaks. For example, if you have scheduled in 20 minutes for revision make sure you take a 2 minute break. For subjects that have a lot of key terms or case studies, many of our students have found flash cards to be a fun and easy way to revise with friends. If your studying social sciences, brain dumps can help you see what information you've committed to your long-term memory, and which is still missing. If your studying science or maths, make sure you're completing past papers... but don't stop there. Use the mark-schemes and textbooks to mark your answers to see where you can improve. If you're a parent reading this, the best way you can support your child is by quizzing them regularly using their flash cards or notes, as well as helping them manage their work-life balance. Revision is important, but ensuring you are getting enough sleep and social time is also important in the long-term.

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Year 13 – UCAS

- You have until 8th June to make your decisions (or 17th July if you are using UCAS Extra).
- Favorite universities for this year's Slow Coach Award are: Edinburgh (91% decisions yet to be made), Durham (57%), Leeds (55%) and Bristol (50%).
- If you are going straight to university (even if you do not know which university) in September, apply now online for help with finance, including tuition fee loans and maintenance loans at [Apply online for student finance - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/apply-online-for-student-finance)
- Check your preferred university websites for open or offer holder days. If you are unable to visit in person, a virtual tour may be helpful now. Visit [University Virtual Tours | UCAS](#)

Everyone

The NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience will be on Sunday 2nd April, helping you explore the exciting world of healthcare. For more information and to register, visit [Live Virtual NHS Healthcare Careers Work Experience Programme - Allied Healthcare Mentor \(alliedhealthmentor.org\)](https://alliedhealthmentor.org) During the work experience day, you will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. You will gain a unique insight into how patients interact with a variety of healthcare professionals and what it's like to work in an NHS multidisciplinary team including nursing, midwifery, dietetics, paramedicine, physiotherapy, occupational Therapy, radiography, prosthetics and orthotics, speech and language therapy and pharmacy

Here are useful careers articles for anyone considering a career as a pilot or lawyer:

www.telegraph.co.uk/business/boeing-uk/how-to-become-a-pilot/

[Lady Hale: 'Studying law? Make sure you have the stomach for it' | Students | The Guardian](#)

Here is a useful link for anyone looking for examples of cover letters for work experience/job applications

[Master the Job Hunt: Cover Letter Examples and Tips - Career Experts](#)

Girls into Electronics Day is being hosted by a number of universities including Sheffield, Bath, Leeds, King's College, Imperial College, Liverpool, Bristol, Newcastle and Queen's Belfast providing a fantastic opportunity to experience and develop your interest during a taster day at the Department of Electronic and Electrical Engineering. Taster days will take place early-mid July. Click on the link for more information and to register

[Girls into Electronics – UKESF](#)

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The Smallpeice Trust has spaces on their Aerospace Engineering, Girls Into Engineering, Micro Computing, Engineering and Structural Engineering courses. These residentials take place around the UK in July and August. Find out more and book a place at

[Timetable | Smallpeice Trust](#)

Get into Dentistry conference is on 25th March 9:30am-1pm. [ONLINE GET INTO DENTISTRY CONFERENCE - Medic Mentors](#)

Get into Medicine conference on 26th March or 1st April 2:30-7:30pm. Register at [Medicine National Healthcare Weekend - Medic Mentors](#)

Sheffield University Arts & Humanities Faculty is running several essay competitions:

Philosophy Essay Competition - deadline 24 April [Philosophy Essay Competition 2023 | Philosophy | The University of Sheffield](#)

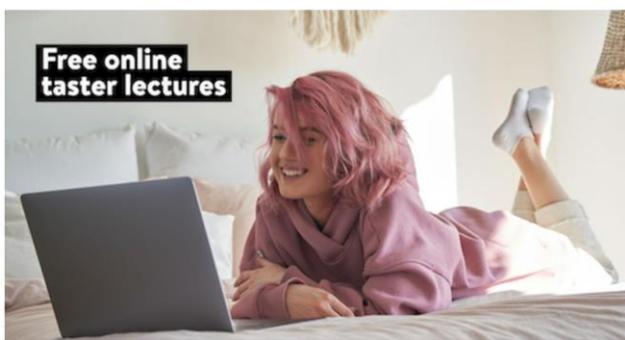
East Asian Studies Competition - deadline 14 April [School of East Asian Studies Competition 2023 | East Asian Studies | The University of Sheffield](#)

History essay competition, deadline 28 April. For more information and to enter, click the link <https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/history/essay-competition>

BP is offering a degree apprenticeship in product design and development engineering [BP Degree Apprenticeship opportunity | bp Product Design and Development Engineer Apprenticeship | Apply now! \(successatschool.org\)](#)

Interested to know more about Swansea University? Follow the link to register for live webinars on accommodation, student union, sports and societies, clearing, employability and student support. Plus, you can chat to the student ambassadors <https://www.swansea.ac.uk/study/webinar-series/head-start-student-life/>

Free online
taster lectures



Free Virtual online masterclasses and super curricular activities this week

Taster lectures can be a great way to demonstrate your interest in a subject, for example on your personal statement.

Take a look at the [‘writing about taster lectures’ worksheet](#) to find out more.

- **March 20 @ 12:45 - 13:30** STEM: Communicating Science Through Writing with UEA (KS5) [Find out more](#) -- This session will explain: how scientists communicate – revealing the process behind peer reviewed papers, and what approaches you can use in your essay to improve your own scientific writing.
- **March 21 @ 15:35 - 16:35** Think Tank – The Decline of Cinema With Dr Karina Aveyard From University of East Anglia [Find out more](#) --Think Tank is a series of interdisciplinary webinars for Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5 students, engaging academics and students in debate, tackling some of the pressing national and global issues being faced today.
- **March 20 @ 16:15 - 17:15** English Literature/Theatre: University Book Club – Death of a Salesman by Arthur Miller With Dr Jon Mitchell From University of East Anglia [Find out more](#) -- In this live and interactive Book Club, Dr Jon Mitchell, Associate Professor in American Studies in the School of Art, Media and American Studies at University of East Anglia, supported by one or more undergraduates, will discuss/debate Death of a Salesman by Arthur Miller.
- **March 21 @ 15:45 - 16:30** Mathematics: A Rational Approach To Representing The Reals – An Introduction To Continued Fractions – University Tutorial With Dr Gwion Evans From Aberystwyth University [Find out more](#) -- In this live interactive Mathematics tutorial, we will be joined by Dr Gwion Evans, a leading academic from the Department of Mathematics at Aberystwyth University, who will discuss: A Rational Approach To Representing The Reals – An Introduction To Continued Fractions.
- **March 22 @ 12:45 - 13:30** Politics: University Interactive Talk on Anarchism – Collectivists vs Individualists With Dr Alex Leveringhaus From University of Surrey [Find out more](#) --In this Politics session, Dr Alex Leveringhaus, Lecturer in Political Theory in the Department of Politics at University of Surrey, will run an interactive talk for students on Anarchism – Collectivists vs Individualists.
- **March 22 @ 14:15 - 15:00** Geology/Chemistry: The Geologist’s Toolkit For NetZero With Dr Iain Neill From University of Glasgow [Find out more](#) -- In this session, Dr Iain Neill, Lecturer in Magmatic Processes from the School of Geographical & Earth Sciences at University of Glasgow, will highlight how geology will be of fundamental importance in this century, as we transition to the world of ‘Net Zero’ carbon.
- **March 22 @ 15:45 - 16:35** Film Studies: Do The Right Thing by Spike Lee: Race, Identity, Police Violence & Gentrification In The US With Dr Nicholas Grant From University of East Anglia [Find out more](#) -- In this live and interactive Film Society, Dr Nicholas Grant, Associate Professor of United States History in the School of Art, Media and American Studies at UEA, will discuss/debate Do The Right Thing by Spike Lee.
- **March 23 @ 16:15 - 17:00** Philosophy: Language of Argumentation - Tutorial – UEA (KS5) [Find out more](#)In this live interactive Philosophy tutorial, we will be joined by Dr Maria Serban, a leading academic from the School of Politics, Philosophy, Language and Communication Studies at University of East Anglia, who will explore Language of Argumentation – From Argument To Argumentation.
- **March 23 @ 16:30 - 17:15** Pharmacy: Science & Practice of Prescribing Drug Combinations with UEA (KS5) [Find out more](#) In this Pharmacy session, Dr Leoni Palmer, Lecturer in Medicinal Chemistry, and Dr Paul McDermott, Associate Professor in Medicinal Chemistry, at University of East Anglia will run an interactive talk for students on the Science Behind & Practice of Safely Prescribing Drug Combinations to a Patient.



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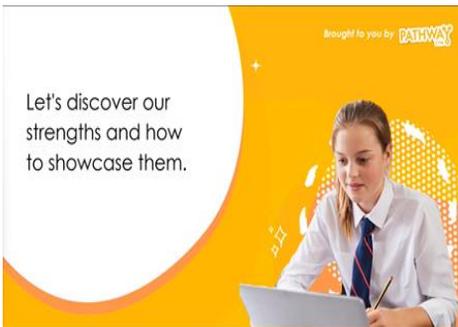
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<p>Tuesday 21st March 2-2:45pm</p>	<p>Women in the automotive industry with Paula Cooper, Director, Consumer One, Toyota GB</p> <p>For KS3-5/S1-6</p>	<p>This talk is pre-recorded and so there is no Q+A available. Email your questions to broadcasts@speakersforschools.org</p> <p>In this broadcast, Paula will be talking about Women In The Automotive Industry with the hope to encourage all students to consider a career in this industry and to aim high. Paula has a keen interest in supporting the development of people and participates as a mentor in a number of Toyota (GB) programmes.</p> <p>Click here to register</p>
<p>Wednesday 22nd March 10-10:45am</p>	<p>Racing into Work with Jonathan Wheatley, Sporting Director, Red Bull Racing</p> <p>For KS3-5/S1-6</p>	<p>Have you ever wondered what it's like to drive a race car? Do you love sports and driving? This is the broadcast for you, we will be joined by Jonathan Wheatley the sporting director at the Red Bull Racing Formula One team who started off his career as a Formula One mechanic and team manager. Get a chance to ask questions and get answers about racing.</p> <p>Click here to register</p>
<p>Thursday 23rd March 10-10:45am</p>	<p>Develop your Leadership Skills: Captain Polly Marsh, Royal Military Sandhurst & Garth Miller, Airline Captain, Leadership Consultant, Speaker, Company Director, High Altitude Mountaineer, Veteran, Quantico Leadership</p> <p>For KS3-5/S1-6</p>	<p>In this fantastic broadcast, we will hear from Captain Polly Marsh and Mountaineer and Veteran Garth Millar, as they talk about their life experiences and how it has led them to be better leaders. From techniques to tales from our speakers, join this broadcast to get inspired about leadership.</p> <p>Click here to register</p>
<p>Friday 24th March 10-10:45am</p>	<p>Get into Marketing: Trevor Johnson, Head of Marketing, Global Business Solutions, EUI</p> <p>For KS3-5/S1-6</p>	<p>In this broadcast, Trevor Johnson the Head of Marketing, Global Business Solutions, EUI, at TikTok will be talking about the development of social media and marketing. Previously to being at TikTok, he spent 12 years at Facebook/ Instagram and was one of Facebook's earliest employees. This has given him an excellent knowledge of the industry and how it has changed and will continue to develop in the future. If you have an interest in social media marketing this is the broadcast for you!</p> <p>Click here to register</p>

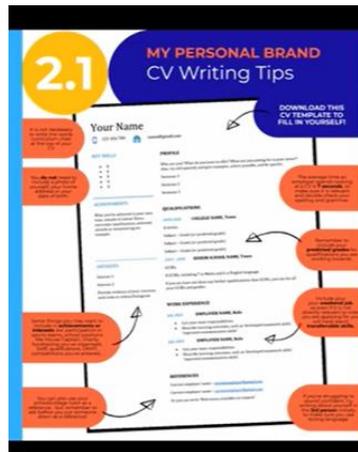
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Watch these videos from CTM Pathway gain essential Skills in becoming career ready



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Essential Skills with Thales Volunteers - Applications and CVs



Students can use the 3-step guide to make #NCW2023 work for them and come away from it feeling empowered about their futures. For medicine, law and finance careers [Find out more](#)



Virtual Insight Programme, Y12 Eng&Wales/Y13 NI/S5 Scotland, 2023



Experience University of Southampton Residential- 18th – 21st July 2023



If you're looking for a role with excitement, intrigue and something that really makes a difference then now is the time to join AWE.



Careers in the Curriculum – Maths. For careers in business studies, physics and more, have a look at some of Pathway's other helpful videos.



NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience is coming up on Sunday 2nd April

Virtual Insight into University

Insight into University (previously known as Head start & Inspire) is a comprehensive on-line course allowing students to experience STEM studies at university and the career opportunities that these subjects lead to.

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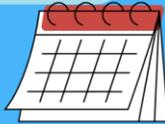
STUDENT SUPPORT MENTORING SESSIONS

**1-2-1 15 minute sessions for Year 9-13 every
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 15:00-17:00.**

Applying for an apprenticeship and want help with your application? Unsure on what you want to do and want to learn more about your options? These weekly sessions are where you need to be!

- CV & Cover Letter help
- Interview Prep
- Tips on producing a strong application
- _____
- Understanding what your options are
- _____

You can sign up for your 1-2-1 session with this [link here](#)



These sessions are run by Max - Head of Student Success



These sessions are available during term time

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