



## Sackville Sixth Form Bulletin - 4

7th May 2020

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### FOREWORD FROM MRS VALENTINE (Head of Sixth Form)



We hope you are all continuing to stay well, positive and healthy, and have grown used to this new way of working.

This week the progress grades issued will have enabled parents of year 12 students to gauge how their son/daughter is responding to online work. I know form tutors have been in regular contact with students to praise, encourage and follow up queries as appropriate.

**Year 13 students** - I do encourage you to email one of the sixth form team if you still have outstanding queries about firming up university offers or any other university related query. Most of the year 12 and 13 tutors spent Monday undertaking online UCAS training so we are now up to speed with procedures for UCAS and happy to help with queries. We appreciate how difficult this time of uncertainty is for year 13. We would also like to thank both year 13 parents and students for respecting our request not to press regarding the suggested grades to exam boards as this is something we are unable to discuss.

One of the high points of the week has been realising just how many year 13 students are actually working in key roles in their break between school and university or further training. **Lauren Mansi** and **Florrie Edwards** (both year 13) are working as key workers in a care home. We also have former students who have come to our attention doing key roles. **Georgina Booth** (2016 leaver) is partway through her studies on a Medicine degree at Lancaster University. She is working in a hospital as a healthcare assistant, using her medical skills in a way she probably never envisaged before she has completed her studies. We are proud of



our students doing these difficult jobs and we are keen to hear of other roles any students, past or present, may be doing.

**Year 12 - Progression exams:** As announced last week to year 12 students, the progression exams will take place with dates, times and format to be advised. These exams, along with your progress grades for the year, are important and should not be underestimated. We are naturally sympathetic to circumstances but alongside that, we do need to prepare and assess for terminal exams and school leaving in 2021.

**Year 12 - Holiday in term time:** Whilst holidays are far from our minds at present, I must stress that when we resume school and holidays become possible again, students must avoid taking unauthorised absence in term time. This message is more important than ever now, given the amount of time students have had without face to face contact with subject and form teachers.

**Years 12 and 13 - Online opportunities:** Each week in this bulletin you are able to see online course opportunities and events. Due to the high volume of these notifications we receive, it is not possible for us to direct them to individual students. However, it is an expectation that students read these and, where appropriate, participate. Maximising such opportunities enables students to have more to write in supporting statements for university, apprenticeships and jobs.

**Year 12 - Work experience, 13th - 17th July:** Following on from my message last week, I would just like to confirm again that **work experience is cancelled** and students will be expected either to attend school or online teaching during the week of 13th - 17th July. In a separate attachment is a template of a letter or email for students to complete and send to their work experience placement. Form tutors will be monitoring that this has happened. It is vital you let your placement setting know that you will not be attending work experience.

Best wishes  
Mrs H Valentine



## THIS WEEK'S NEWS AND MESSAGES

### **Year 13 - Important UCAS Message from Ms Bach:**

Please check your emails and UCAS Track regularly.

UCAS HUB - Login page

<https://www.ucas.com/account/login?returnUrl=/dashboard%23%2F>

Studying abroad - A Star Future

<https://www.astarfuture.co.uk/>

Check university websites for online resources and virtual tours - eg, Sussex University

<https://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/visit-us/virtual-tour/>

### **Year 13 - Message from Mr de Souza:**

A reminder of the Transition to Uni - Year 13 2020 Google Classroom where I am posting subject relevant reading material and preparation work.

The classroom code is **2nxvb3v**.

### **Year 13 - Summer 2020 Questionnaire**

We have now had 95 responses which is fantastic. Please could those year 13 students who haven't yet completed the form click on the link below. It will take only a minute of your time and we are obliged to provide this information to West Sussex County Council.

Link to Google form - <https://forms.gle/GFU1iwhVmtKTabJqZ>



## INVESTIN EDUCATION



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We are delighted to announce that InvestIN will be hosting 'Live & Online' Internships in 10 careers this summer, which students aged 15-18 can register for now.

- ⇒ Students will work alongside experienced Doctors, Lawyers, Engineers, Investment Bankers, Computer Scientists, Psychologists, United Nations staff, CEOs, Architects and Filmmakers, to gain an immersive, 360-degree experience of their dream profession.
- ⇒ Students can also choose to attend a 1-2-1 career coaching session, where a professional will create a bespoke personal development plan for them.
- ⇒ Students will receive certificates of completion which they can include in their university applications.

<https://investin.org/collections/live-online-programmes>



## UNI TASTER DAYS

**Book online university events  
for schools and students**  
Opportunities away from the classroom



UniTasterDays

<https://www.unidays.com/online>

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## THE BRILLIANT CLUB

The Brilliant Club is an award-winning university access charity that works with schools and universities across the UK.



**Resources from  
The Brilliant Club**



<https://thebrilliantclub.org/the-brilliant-club-for-pupils/info-for-pupils/>

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## UCAS HUB

When it comes to making decisions about your future, we recognise that it needs to be the right decision for you. With so many options, sources of information, and decisions to make, how do you decide?

We've worked with hundreds of students to create the perfect tool to help.  
Find out more and sign up here:

<https://www.ucas.com/what-ucas-hub>



## Lloyd's and Aon virtual week



# LLOYD'S

Lloyd's and Aon are hosting a joint virtual week to provide students with an insight into the Global Insurance industry.

**Week commencing Monday 17th August 2020 – A Level Students**  
(Students must be starting Year 13 in September 2020 or be finishing Year 13 in 2020 in order to be eligible)

<https://www.lloydsemergingtalent.com/schemes/insight-week>

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## Art History Summer University 2020



Applications are now open for The Courtauld's **Art History Summer University 2020**, which is a **free** online course designed for Year 12 students interested in Art History, and thinking of applying to university.

The course runs from **Monday 29 June to Friday 03 July 2020**. It offers a lively and wide-ranging online introduction to art history at The Courtauld, one of the leading institutes for the study of art history. Students spend five days working with world-leading experts, gallery curators and professionals, as well as undergraduate students from The Courtauld. They will attend online taster lectures, seminars and workshops, as well as undertaking a research project on the theme of **Art and Identity**.

Summer University is a great addition to any UCAS form no matter the subject you plan to study, and an invaluable taster of what the arts and humanities offer at higher education.

**To find out more and apply** please visit our [website](#) or contact Helen Higgins, Young People's Programme Manager on [helen.higgins@courtauld.ac.uk](mailto:helen.higgins@courtauld.ac.uk).



## #LLJLockdown



Jack the Lad, former host of the Breakfast show on Heart FM, from Dare to Dream and the LoveLocalJobs Foundation, is creating regular videos to help young people across Sussex stay focused, full of belief and inspired during these uncertain times.

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL2KrHqEBqk2h0eRo3WYh3WV-ps9ecERCn>

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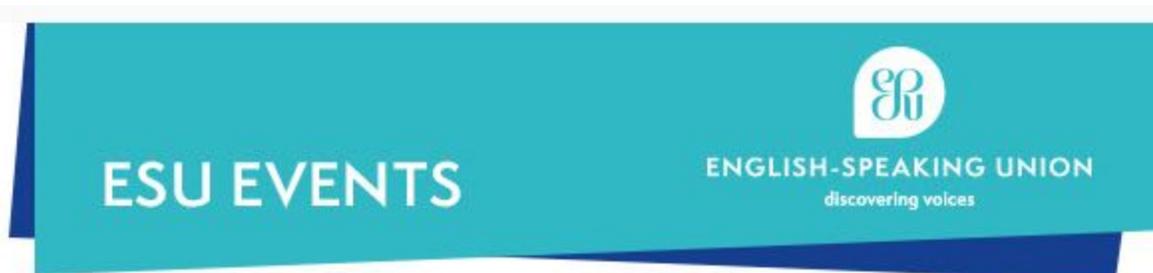


The University of Bristol Virtual resources page is now live and accessible to all teachers and their students. Our resources aim to enrich the learning of year 12 students and aid the transition of year 13's or those on an A2HE courses into Higher Education.

<http://www.bristol.ac.uk/study/outreach/virtual-resources-for-students/>

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## ESU Festival of Speaking



All students are invited to plan, practise, perform and post a short video (1-5 minutes) delivering a speech, a poem, a monologue, debate, etc. on a social media platform of their choice using the hashtag #esufestivalofspeaking.

<https://www.esu.org/esu-festival-of-speaking/>