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| **Key Stage 5 Bulletin: 19th July 2022** |
| **News and Reminders** |
| Year 13s: you have been a credit to BGN during your time here. Society is all the better for having you in it. Thank you for all you contributed to the school community, and we wish you every happiness and success in the adventures ahead!  We are so proud of what year 12 have achieved this year and, as we said in today’s final assembly, they all deserve a massive pat on the back! The transition to 6th form is always a difficult adjustment; Level 3 subjects have very different demands to Level 2 (GCSE), and students have to become significantly more mature and independent in their attitude to learning very quickly. On top of this, this year 12 have had to overcome the significant disruption to their education caused by the pandemic. And they have. They started the year full of commitment to their studies and joy to be back with their friends in school and this has continued all year. They have been role models to younger years, and it is great to see that so many of them have applied for positions on the new Pupil Leadership Team. They were wonderful ambassadors on the Lourdes pilgrimage which we are really pleased to have been able to be part of again this year.  They found themselves some amazing work experience placements and feedback from employers has been really positive and they are starting to be ambitious and aspirational in their choices for the future. We wish them and you a very good summer break and look forward to an equally positive start to year 13 in September.  Whatever you have planned for the holidays make sure you treat yourself to some real escapism!  Attached is a Peer recommended reading list full of suggested books for you to enjoy over the summer and beyond.  A few dates for your diaries:   * Thursday 18th August – A Level Results Day. * Tuesday 6th September – School Opens To All Pupils. * Thursday 29th September – Inset Day |
| **Year 13** |
| Please see previous emails and letter sent home regarding Results Day, information is also available on the school website. GOOD LUCK!  Having received a few enquiries, we have contacted UCAS to clarify the advice for Adjustment options. If you have achieved higher grades and wish to consider other universities and/or courses, UCAS recommends that you do **not** decline your firm offer but hold your choices until after you have verbal confirmation of an alternative place. While your application is attached to an offer, other universities will not have access to it so you should download your application and send it to those you want to consider offering you a place directly. Details of how to do this will be arranged between the you and the university.  Follow the link to [Find out more about Clearing](https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/results-confirmation-and-clearing/what-clearing)  University of Northampton will be holding an online guidance session for students, parents, carers, teachers and advisors in order to ensure they have all the information they may need before entering Clearing the following week. We want students to know Clearing can be for everybody, and it's not too late to apply if they have changed their mind about their university choices.  The session will cover: Clearing and Clearing Plus, Choosing a University, How to support your young person, Student Finance.  **Tuesday 9 August 2022: 5.30pm to 6.30pm**    **Book Now  >**  If you are taking a gap year, applying for a job or an apprenticeship, examples of a covering letter can be found at: <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/careers-advice/cvs-and-cover-letters/cover-letters/sample-cover-letter> and you can update your cv using this link: <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/careers-advice/cvs-and-cover-letters/example-cvs/school-leaver-cv-example> |
| **Year 12** |
| **Attached is a Personal Statement Writing Booklet to complete as a summer task. The second summer task is to do a MOOC – a short free course by Future Learn – this can go into an application for university, an apprenticeship and a job covering letter.**  Some examples of courses on offer are below but there are many more to choose from.    **Please see attachments for resources from the Futures Days to help you to continue considering your career and study choices.**  **Don’t forget to keep checking:**     * Find the best careers for you in Unifrog's Careers Library - you can search by career area, subjects or personality type! * <https://www.opendays.com/calendar/> So you can tour university campuses, lecture theatres, accommodation and visit the town. |
| **Useful Links** |
| While you wait for the new academic year to start, Step into the NHS has many exciting resources to extend your learning over the summer period, from a career mapper quiz through to videos and activities.  [**Find out more here**](https://r1.ddlnk.net/5EPN-KW12-4JWG87-FV3NH-1/c.aspx)  **Are you aware of skills development and lifelong learning the Army can offer?**  The Army has many ways to help fund your education to gain the skills needed for the future.  [**FIND OUT MORE**](https://schools.tecl.co.uk/educationcompany4lz/lz.aspx?p1=MgEDUxNTM4MDY2UzcyNzE6M0MzRDk3MjUzMTA2MENFRjA0REJBNkNCMUE3RUNFOTE%3d-&CC=&w=23429)  Results day is always a mixed emotional rollercoaster, this year it may be even more so. We've put together some suggestions for things you can do when preparing for results day.  [**www.wellatschool.org/managing-exams**](https://wellatschool.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=f08adf337ac9aa8f384b9a50b&id=b576a4a463&e=621f772bb2) |
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| If you have any questions relating to anything Sixth Form, please contact:  Mrs O’Donnell – [SODonnell@bgn.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:SODonnell@bgn.oxon.sch.uk)  Mr Thornton – [wtho0370@bgn.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:wtho0370@bgn.oxon.sch.uk)  Mrs Ellul – [mell8376@bgn.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:mell8376@bgn.oxon.sch.uk)  Mrs Russell - [rrussell@bgn.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:rrussell@bgn.oxon.sch.uk)  ***Disclaimer:***  ***Please note that BGN School cannot take responsibility for checking every aspect of these websites in detail. We advise you to follow normal internet safety precautions when accessing these, and any other internet sites. Remember, that if you give your personal details to a third-party website, you may be consenting to them using or sharing your details. Always read the Privacy Notice and Terms and Conditions carefully.*** |