

Blessed George Napier Catholic School and Sixth Form

God of unity, You bear with us in all of our difficulties, always willing and able to help us. We ask You to help us recognise Your love in our lives, and show us how to bring that love into the world in the way we behave with everyone we meet.



Key Stage 5 Bulletin: 4th March 2024

News and Reminders

In line with the seasons the Sixth Form assembly last week was focused on springing forward with positive determination and kindness. If you would like to (re)watch the video shown please follow this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6L5SpMFtwuU&t=292s>

During this Lent the Sixth Form are taking part in an almsgiving drive for our local food banks at St Joseph's Church, and the People's Church. Mrs Heywood has been in contact with both food banks to find out what they are currently short of, and they need:

Tinned tomatoes - Tinned rice pudding - Tinned vegetables - Long life milk - Long life juice.

If you are heading to Sainsburys anyway for your lunch, please do think about spending an extra £1 or so for someone who has much less than you.

The cheapest of the above items is the tinned rice pudding at 22p; the most expensive is the long life orange juice at £1.49.

This simple act of generosity could make very real difference to families in our local community.

PROM 2024

The £25 deposit is now live on ParentPay.

We ask for the deposit so that we can finalise numbers and secure bookings. If anyone has any questions please speak to either a member of your PLT or Mrs Russell.

Hoodies can be purchased via: <https://www.schoolleaverscompany.co.uk/shop>.

You will need to use the Username: 3594 and Password: hPSrsKCm.

You choose your own colour/colour combination and can customise your hoodie too, although this is at an additional cost. You then pay online, and the hoodies will be delivered to school. Don't delay – order today!

Dates for your Diary

Friday 8th March – Leavers' Hoodie Shop Closes

Thursday 28th March – Maundy Thursday- School closes at 12:30pm for Easter Holidays

Monday 15th April – School reopens (Week A)

Thursday 18th April – Yr12 UCAS Higher Education Conference Winchester

Monday 29th April – Friday 3rd May - Yr12 Mock Week

Wednesday 8th May – Leavers' Mass 6pm

Thursday 9th May – Yr13 Study Leave Begins

Thursday 27th June – Yr13 Prom

Useful Links

As always, please check your school email address regularly. A lot of important and useful information is sent out to you this way.



The **universal** destinations platform.

Happy National Careers Week! This week, we're running a series of webinars for students to learn about **transferable soft skills** directly from top employers like The Dyson Institute, KPMG, and the Government Economic Service. Sign up to learn how and why to start developing these skills now to prepare for the world of work.

Soft skills to succeed: Communication.

Monday 4 March @ 16:30 UK time - 45 mins - [sign up](#)

Soft skills to succeed: Critical thinking.

Monday 4 March @ 17:30 UK time - 45 mins - [sign up](#)

Soft skills to succeed: Adaptability.

Tuesday 5 March @ 17:00 UK time - 45 mins - [sign up](#)

Soft skills to succeed: Commercial awareness.

Wednesday 6 March @ 17:00 UK time - 45 mins - [sign up](#)

Miss one? Check out [4 recordings on the Past Webinars page](#)

Are you interested in studying for a future career in Science and Engineering?

At Sanctuary Graduates we are currently working with Ministry of Defence on their apprenticeship schemes for September 2024. Please see a brief summary below on the apprenticeship opportunities available including the links to view the full job opportunities and apply.

[Level 3 Waterfront Engineering Advanced Apprenticeship](https://link.sanctuarygraduates.co.uk/BxD) -
<https://link.sanctuarygraduates.co.uk/BxD>

The SDA is looking for talented, motivated, and creative potential engineers to join their Level 3 Waterfront Engineering Apprenticeship Scheme and become Engineers of the future. This 3 year scheme is open to anyone over the age of 16 years at the start of the apprenticeship in September 2024 and the salary is £22,240 for this role.

Level 6 Nuclear Engineering Degree Apprenticeship -
<https://link.sanctuarygraduates.co.uk/Wg3Y>

During this four-year programme, successful applicants will undertake a comprehensive program of study associated with the Nuclear Scientist and Nuclear Engineer standard ST0289 while earning a salary of £25,270 per annum. Year 1 of the scheme will be full time in college, based in the National College for Nuclear. During year 2, 3, and 4 students will have the opportunity to carry out a number of work-based technical placements and defence specific nuclear training.

Due to the secure nature of these positions, posts will be reserved for UK Nationals only and may require students to obtain Developed Vetting clearance once in post.

Sanctuary Graduates always support candidates through the process to ensure they are putting their best quality application forward. The links provided above are unique links so that we can see the students who apply as a result of this and offer any support.

The deadline for students to apply is the **12th March 2024**

A date for your diary: [Careers Fest is back for 2024](#) and will be taking place on 20th March! This is your opportunity to meet over 70 exhibitors offering information, advice and guidance on future pathways and careers from a varied range of sectors. [Find full details.](#)



WE ARE AMAZING APPRENTICESHIPS

A leading organisation in the education sector, founded to tackle misconceptions about apprenticeships and promote the benefits. Discover resources in the [student zone](#) and the [parent and carer zone](#).

The new 'Apprenticeship A-Z of Women at Work' digital pack

We have trawled the length and breadth of the apprenticeship world to discover unique, confident and amazing apprentices who are working in a fantastic range of different job roles. The flashcards feature inspirational apprentices and their employers in a wide variety of industries and job roles, including:

Paramedic, Engineer, Dance Instructor, Journalist,
 Wind Turbine Apprentice, Zookeeper, and many more...

The second volume of our popular flashcards are perfect to mark **International**

Women's Day on **Friday 8th March 2024.**

[DOWNLOAD NOW](#)

Discover work experience opportunities to build skills and enhance your CV and personal statement.

In-person or virtual -
work experience is a valuable super curricular resource.

Work experience allows the participant to learn about a company, career sector or specific job role. As such, work experience offers an excellent hands-on training, that will enhance your CV, and allows you to apply knowledge learned in the classroom or through other super curricular exploration to the world of work. It is also a great way to develop personal skills and confidence.

Read our new blog post with some great in-person or virtual work experience suggestions...

[Read here](#)



**Mansfield
College**
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

What does a feminist curriculum look like?

Mansfield College Public Talk

Friday 8 March 2024, 5 - 6pm

Sir Joseph Hotung Auditorium, Mansfield College

In celebration of International Women's Day, join us for a discussion exploring the multifaceted nature of curriculum and its alignment with feminist politics in educational institutions.

We will be exploring, challenging and understanding feminism as an empowerment ideology, methodological research tool, and its relevance to the emergence and instantiation of women's gender and sexuality studies. The panel of academics will also delve into discussion about a feminist curriculum which fosters critical thinking and empowers; discuss the risks associated, such as co-optation and tokenism; and consider the importance of intergenerational exchanges.



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The Mathematics of Coincidence

Professor Sarah Hart
Tue, 05 Mar 2024

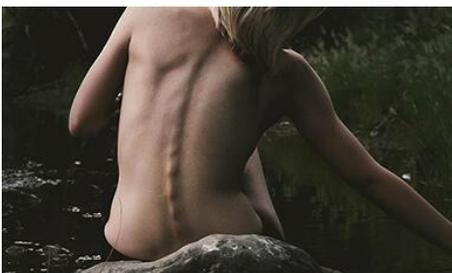
[Maths](#)



Climate Tipping Points in Oceans, Ice, Forests

Professor Myles Allen
Tue, 05 Mar 2024

[Science](#) [Environment](#) [Climate change](#)



Ritual Nudity in History and Religion

Professor Ronald Hutton
Wed, 06 Mar 2024

[Religion](#) [Prehistory](#)



Ancient Greek Ideas of Equality under the Law

Professor Melissa Lane
Thu, 07 Mar 2024

[Rhetoric](#) [Law](#) [Ancient](#)

Student Events

InvestIN's student event series is designed to give students aged 12-18 a snapshot of what it's like to work in their dream profession. Events are run by leading experts and are free to attend.

12TH MARCH 2024

[Breaking into creative arts](#)

[Breaking into psychology](#)

13TH MARCH 2024

[BREAKING INTO ENGINEERING](#)

[BREAKING INTO LAW](#)

14TH MARCH 2024

[Breaking into medicine](#)

[Breaking into banking](#)

THE INVESTIN CAREER QUIZ

Do you need help deciding which of our programmes to choose? Try our tailored quiz designed to help you reflect on your future career. Through a series of questions we will assess your skills and interests and recommend which InvestIN programme you are best suited to.

[Take the quiz now](#)

ENGINEERING EMPLOYER OPEN EVENINGS

BOOK INFO. & MORE theengineeringtrust.org

Tour these fantastic companies, find out more about the work they do and the **CAREERS & APPRENTICESHIPS** available.



Join our [Subject Taster Days](#) to gain first-hand experience of studying at university level and student life. You will have the opportunity to:

- Take part in lectures and interactive academic sessions.
- Experience practical work and engage in discussion on the topics.
- Discover our facilities and student life during a Campus Tour.
- Hear about the career potential of the courses on offer.

Each Subject Taster Day is free to attend and will give insight into a range of courses within a subject area. You can find a list of which courses are included here: [promotional poster](#) Also on display in the LRC.

<https://www.southbankcentre.co.uk/whats-on>

[Winter Exhibitions](#) [Literature](#) [Classical music](#) [Gigs](#) [Performance](#) [Families](#)

South Asian Sounds

THU 7 – SUN 10 MAR [Find out more](#)

Journey through classical and contemporary music from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Afghanistan in this eclectic festival. Click the link above to see the whole line-up.

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At times we all need a little support. The Oxfordshire Targeted Youth Support Service is here for you. Please visit oxme.info/tyss

All young people need to stay in learning until age 18, but if you're out of learning, or at risk of dropping out, there are things you can do. By visiting our [EET Hub](#) you can:

- [Find out what you should do next](#)
- [Explore your options](#)
- [Find local opportunities](#)
- [Request support from the EET Team](#)

Taking care of your mental wellbeing is always important. Especially at this time of year when the nights are long, and there can be pressures around how to spend your time.

Talking to people trust, staying connected with others, and taking 'me time' can all help. You can also visit our [Mental Wellbeing Hub](#) for more information, tips, and links to support.

Learn more about specific subjects, including [Explore engineering in healthcare: Medical and biomedical engineering](#) / [Kick-start your creative career with a winning portfolio: Top tips from experts](#) / [Unlock your future with a law degree](#)

Course selection is not the only thing to consider when applying to university, make sure you are seeing the whole picture by attending open days. <https://www.opendays.com/calendar/>



[Visit UniTasterDays](#)

Check out The Uni Guide Podcast **for an inside look at the student experience at university. In the latest episode, E26: Careers support before, during and after university Listen to this and all previous episodes [HERE](#).**

Browse 652 exciting events listed on UniTasterDays for students, with more being added daily. Including open days, subject taster days, information fairs on studying abroad...Your next university adventure awaits! Check them out [HERE](#).

Explore various university subjects through the dynamic [webinar platform](#), featuring the UK's first video subject guide. You can browse the videos, search by keyword, or filter by subject.

The Students' Guide to University is your all-in-one free brochure for essential university guidance. Packed with insights from university experts across the UK. [Download it now](#) – no registration required.



THE ARCHDIOCESE *of* BIRMINGHAM

Fri 1 Mar: [Ampleforth Lecture: Gospel Imperative for Climate Action](#)

Fri 1 Mar: [World Day of Prayer](#)

Tues 5 Mar: [Listening to God's Call, online event](#)

Wed 6 Mar: [Online JustPeople Workshop, March 2024 \(Prison Advice & Care Trust\)](#)

Thu 7 Mar: [Organ Recital at St Chad's Cathedral](#)

Fri 8 - Sun 10 Mar: [Altar Servers Retreat 'Called to Serve'](#)

Sat 9 Mar: [Gaza Peace Pilgrimage](#)

Tues 12 Mar: [Online discussion - 'Encouraging Lay and Clergy Collaboration'](#)

Sat 16 Mar: [What Does It Mean to be Human? Portsmouth Symposium](#)

Sat 16 Mar: [Birmingham Lourdes Hospitalite Day of Recollection](#)

Thu 21 Mar: [Divine Renovation and Alpha event: The Future is Now: Empowering Young People in Parish Renewal](#)

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