



# SIXTH FORM *Newsletter*

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## Year 13

Hello,

Happy half term everyone. Please find information below for your return to sixth form. Students return to school on **Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> of November** (**Week 1 timetable**).

Best wishes,

The Sixth Form Team

### LAST BULLETIN RECAP

- Assessments in November will assess students on Year 12 and Y13 content which have been taught.
- Mock examinations will take place in January 2024.
- Information about the Newcastle University Partners Scheme.

### GREEN CAREERS WEEK

Green Careers Week runs from the 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> of November. The week aims to promote any career that helps to protect and restore the planet. Each day, students will receive an email informing them about a range of different jobs and industries.

### CHANGES TO LUNCH

When we return to school after half term, the lunch time will change. Changes are outlined below:

- Monday: 12.20pm to 1.10pm
- Tuesday to Friday; 12.10pm to 1pm

### CHRISTMAS TRIP

We are very excited to announce that the sixth form will be attending a Christmas bowling trip. This will also be the first event for a sixth form house competition. The winning house will be crowned at sixth form winner and be the first winners of the house trophy. The trip will take place on **Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup> of December** from **1pm to 4pm**. Students will travel to Hollywood Bowling in Washington by coach. The trip will cost £10. Letters to follow.

### NOVEMBER ASSESSMENT DATES

When we return from half-term, Year 13 students will have an 'assessment window' from **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023**. These assessments will consist of Year 12 and Year 13 information. Prior to the assessment window, there will be some revision of key topics both within lessons and set for homework and independent study sessions. Revision at home is simple

with Student POD, their curriculum is at their fingertips, as well as their own notes from class and independent work.

## JANUARY MOCK EXAMINATION DATES

Year 13 will sit a more formalised mock series in January, in preparation for the 2024 A level exam series, these will be held from **w/c 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024**. A mock timetable will be issued to students in December, so they have plenty of time to prepare. This formalised mock series will see students sitting past exam papers and graded appropriately.

## REVISION MATERIALS



There is now a filing cabinet in the common room. The filing cabinet is filled with materials to help students revise.

## PUNCTUALITY

We believe in preparing our students for their next steps and the world of work. This is why we believe being punctual to school and lessons is extremely important. If students are late to lessons, they will miss important retrieval activities and new course content. Thank you for your support in ensuring your child is punctual to school.

## PERSONAL STATEMENTS

Students who wish to apply to university have been writing personal statements. The internal deadline for personal statements is November 10<sup>th</sup> 2023.

## BUS STRIKES



We are aware that Go North East has announced plans for strikes to begin the 28<sup>th</sup> of October. If your child will be impacted by the strikes, please get in touch.

## YOU SAID...WE DID...

Students now have the option to store their books and folders in the ISC (Independent Study Centre). Students can book a storage space with Mr Wardle.



## PSHE FOCUS

In PSHE, students will be looking at relationship and sex education. The first session will look at **STI's** (sexually transmitted infections).