

# College Bulletin: W/C Mon 12th & 26th Feb



### **INCLUSION FOCUS FILM:**



The Pride Collection:

Celebrating LGBTQIA+ lives and culture for **LGBT History month:** <a href="https://www.channel4.com/collection/the-pride-collection">https://www.channel4.com/collection/the-pride-collection</a>

### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Compassion and tolerance are not a sign of weakness, but a sign of strength.

### **ROLE MODEL OF THE FORTNIGHT – Alex Bertie**



Alex Ash Bertie is a transgender activist, he is a very popular Youtuber & author, he mainly focuses on LGBTQ issues and his transitioning struggle. His YouTube channel now has 303 000 subscribers. He also is very popular on Instagram and Facebook. Alex also published his autobiography about the transition process in 2017 & was featured as an LGBTQ spokesman. Alex posts a lot of interesting and useful content to support individuals who are considering transition and have any struggles after their transition.

#### **WELLBEING SUPPORT**

**Bedford Borough Wellbeing Hub** 

https://localoffer.bedford.gov.uk/kb5/bedford/directory/site.page?id=R\_ScQflCiWk

Mental Health & Anxiety

www.calmharm.co.uk www.clearfear.co.uk www.kooth.com

**Gender Identity/Sexual Orientation** 

www.theproudtrust.org

Bereavement

www.cruse.org.uk www.winstonswish.org

**Staving Safe Online** 

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/14\_plus/

**Eating Disorders** 

www.beateatingdisorders.org.uk

**Staying Safe Online** 

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/14 plus/

**Substance Misuse Support** 

https://aquarius.org.uk/

#### **REMINDER:**

Our Student Health Guide can be found on our college website

here: Student Welfare | kimberleycollege

## **KEY DATES/ REMINDERS:**

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Feb: Y13 Live Broadcast Assembly on Teams: 9.30am – 9.50am in lessons, link will also be on Year group Teams page.

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Feb: Y12 Transition Ambassadors at Lincroft School

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb: Break up for ½ Term

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Feb: STAFF TRAINING DAY – College closed.

W/C Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Feb: Y13 Mock Exams begin (See slide 2)

Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Feb: Ready2Lead at Marston Lower Schools (1.30pm)

Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> Feb: Ruth Boyce (Uni of Exeter) Applying to Health Care courses / Degree Apprenticeships Talk in 1n20 at 8.45am

#### **REMINDER:**

We have noticed a significant dip in students wearing their lanyards around college, lanyards should be worn at all times for safeguarding purposes. From w/c Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Feb, you will not be served at the canteen/ costa without a lanyard & staff will record students not wearing them in lessons on ClassCharts.

# EQUALITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION CALENDAR: FEBRUAURY IS LGBT HISTORY MONTH

6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Feb: Race Equality week

22<sup>nd</sup> Feb – 6<sup>th</sup> April: Lent 1<sup>st</sup> March: St David's day 8<sup>th</sup> March: International

Women's Day

16th March: Disabled access Day



## **TUTOR SESSIONS**

	Y12 PM Session	Y13 PM
W/C 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	First Aid, Student Leadership Launch & University Guest Speakers	
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb		Apprenticeship Support for Y13

#### **CELEBRATING STEPPING STONES TO SUCCESS**

**Outstanding Attitude to Learning** 

Y12: Isabelle H, Camden M-H, Sukhman J & Katherine P.

Y13: Jennie C, Stephanie O, Jack A, Faith G, & Nathan G

**Outstanding Homework/ Coursework** 

Y13: Anat O, Harvey K, Barney C, Sophie R & Joe W.

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## **Enrichment**



A huge well done to our cross-country runners who qualified for the County Event at Amptill this week.

James T (9<sup>th</sup>), Cameron B & Lyla D (3<sup>rd</sup>) and especially Euan S who won the event to become County Champion!!

## **KEY COLLEGE CONTACT DETAILS**

Safeguarding: safeguarding@wootton.beds.sch.uk
Pastoral: kimberleypastoral@wootton.beds.sch.uk
Attendance: 6formattendance@wootton.beds.sch.uk
Bursary: bursary@wootton.beds.sch.uk

ANONYMOUS RERPORTING SYSTEM: SELF-REFERRAL FOR SUPPORT:

https://forms.office.com/r/ADxircgSWf

https://forms.office.com/e/hkK8RggG7g



# Year 13 Mock Exams: W/C Tues 27th Feb



DAY / DATE	AM: 9am Prompt Start (8.45am register)	PM: 12pm Prompt Start (11.45am register)
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Staff Training Day	
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	<ul><li>Chemistry</li><li>Film Studies</li></ul>	<ul><li>Further</li><li>Psychology</li><li>Maths P1</li></ul>
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	<ul> <li>Art (@wus)</li> <li>Comp</li> <li>French</li> <li>Science P1</li> <li>Spanish</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Drama</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>Music</li> <li>English Lit &amp; Language</li> </ul>
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> February	• Law • Maths P1	<ul> <li>Comp</li> <li>Science P2</li> <li>Geography</li> <li>Sociology</li> <li>Gov &amp;</li> <li>Politics</li> <li>Dance</li> </ul>
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	History	<ul> <li>Bus Studies</li> <li>Further</li> <li>Maths P2</li> <li>Philosophy &amp;</li> <li>Ethics</li> <li>English Lit</li> </ul>
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Maths P2	<ul> <li>Dance @wus</li> <li>French List</li> <li>Photography</li> <li>@wus</li> </ul>

<sup>\*</sup> Please Note, you should now be able to login to 'Exams Assist' to see your room and seat numbers for each exam. Any problems please email: <a href="mailto:kimberleyexams@wootton.beds.sch.uk">kimberleyexams@wootton.beds.sch.uk</a>

## GENERAL REMINDERS

- All students who study A Levels only, will be on 'study leave' from Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 1st March.
- Students should return to full lessons on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March unless they have an exam.
- All BTEC students should carry on attending lessons as normal, unless there is a clash with an exam.
- Please register at the sign in desks at reception at 8.45am or 11.45am
- If you are absent on the day, you will need to communicate your reason to:

6thformattendance@wootton.beds.sch.uk

## EXAM REMINDERS

- Lanyards must be worn for identification
- No Mobile Phones, these should be turned off and left in bags in lockers.
- No watches of any kind.
- No earphones/ earbuds.
- Clear pencil case only
- Clear water bottle only label removed
- Please bring calculators if required and ensure that they are in 'exam mode'

# Bedford School Careers Convention



at the Careers

Bedford School is organising its annual OB Careers Convention.

Taking place online, it will be over three nights: (Tuesday 5th to Thursday 7th March).

Students from Kimberley College and other schools will have the opportunity to join two sessions per evening (6 in total over the three days). Each session will last for 55 minutes and will consist of up to six speakers, along with a Chair (this will be a member of school staff).

During the session, the Chair will ask each speaker to give a brief overview of their career, the path they took to get there and what they enjoy most about their job. Students will then have an opportunity to ask questions via the Chair.

Please click on this link to see an information sheet with a short explanation about each career:

https://twk-media-offload.s3.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/bedfordschool.org.uk/wp-uploads/2024/01/30091228/Careers Bitesize Guide 2024.pdf

The event itself can be booked via this <u>link</u>.



# Student Survey Responses



Update on some of the steps we have taken so far, in response to the student survey which was completed in December 2023

Do you identify as a member of the LGBTQ+ Community?



14% of those of you who completed the survey identify as a member of the LGBTQ+ Community.

That means approximately 1 in 10 students in college identify as LGBTQ+

RESPONSE: It seems appropriate that we 're-launch' our Support group during LGBT History month, therefore we would like to host a short LGBTQ+ meeting in 2s15 at lunchtime on:

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March: 1pm - 1.30pm

Have you been involved in any extra-curricular activities?



Just under 60% of you who completed the survey said that you did not taken part in an extra-curricular activity last term.

We strongly encourage all students to get involved in enrichment/ extra & super curricular activities to broaden their college experience, we also know that this is something that universities and employers are keen to see.

Here are some of the activities you have been involved in: After School Sessions, Film Club, Bar Mock Trials, Student leadership, Ready2Lead, Football, Rugby, Netball Teams, X Country, Computing, Gym, Society, Young Enterprise, Sister Act, Trip to Cambridge, Sports Leadership, Open Days, Open Evenings, Essay Competitions, Maths Challenges & Music

RESPONSE: Here are a few ideas that you would like to see on offer:

CHESS CLUB: Reminder - we already offer a 'board games club' (including chess) on a Wednesday Lunch time in 1n20.

ROBOTICS CLUB: Monday's After College in 1n10 / 1n11

DEBATE CLUB: Looking to start after Feb half term - dates and room to follow.



# Parent / Carer Information





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# Newsletter

## FACE IT!



#### Available to book now!

Approved CPD training for anyone who works with children or teenagers. National Standards CPD accredited with certificate

Thursday 21 March 19:00 -20:00 FREE



### **FREE SESSION**

Understanding Addictive Behaviour - Screens, gaming, drugs and more





#### What is ACT?

An introduction to Acceptance and Commitment Therapy

Thursday 28 March 19:00 - 21:00 £24



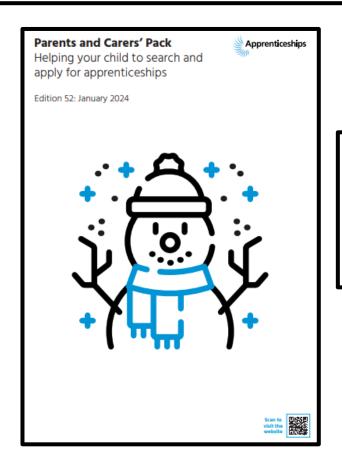
### Supporting a child with ADHD

challenging the stereotypes and giving practical advice

facefamilyadvice.co.uk.

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Helping your child search & apply for apprenticeships?



## Click on this link:

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