### College Bulletin: W/C Mon 20th & 27th Nov KIMBERLEY





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### **INCLUSION FOCUS FILM:**

The new series 'Heart of Invictus' has launched on Netflix. The series follows a group of extraordinary competitors from around the globe, all service members who have experienced life-changing injuries or illnesses, on their road to the Invictus Games The Hague 2020.

### **THOUGHT OF THE WEEK**

" Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today " -Malcolm X

# **ROLE MODEL OF THE FORTNIGHT – STEPHEN HAWKING**

A theoretical physicist, astrophysicist, cosmologist, and eminent scientist, Stephen Hawking was diagnosed with ALS at age 21: he was given 2 more years to live. He lived until he was 76-years-old. He had been paralysed from head to toe for over thirty years and used a voice synthesiser to be able to communicate, and a wheelchair that he operated through slight movements of the head and eyes. Becoming one of the most recognisable celebrities of our time, his story was taken to the cinema in the film "The Theory of Everything".

### 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.mermaidsuk.org.uk 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 **Staving Safe Online** https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/14 plus/

Substance Misuse Support https://aquarius.org.uk/ INTRODUCING:

A new Student Health Guide which can be found on our college website here: Student Welfare | kimberleycollege

### **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 reporting for Bullying/ Discrimination: https://forms.office.com/r/ADxircgSWf



### **KEY DATES/ REMINDERS:**

Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Nov: Y12 Transition Ambassadors Tours 4pm-5pm Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov: Auditions - Fairytale of Kimberley (See slide 2) Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov: R2L Grp 2 Visit to Wootton Vale:1.15pm Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov: Early Closure (Y11 Parents Eve) See slide 2 Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Nov: Staff Training Day (College closed) Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Nov: Y13 Prom Committee Meeting in the LT 1pm Wed 29th Nov: R2L Grp 1 Litter pick & Lower School visits 12pm Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> Nov: Y13 Parents Evening (see slide 2) please ensure you get your appointments booked asap: Full attendance expected. Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Dec: Y13 Deadline for UCAS & Personal Statements. New Quiet study zone on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor North – please respect the expectations to support learning in open classrooms A message from the cleaners & canteen staff to say THANK YOU for tidying up after yourselves, litter left on tables as massively reduced this past 2 weeks – keep it up please ③

#### **EQUALITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION CALENDAR: NOVEMBER IS:**

#### Men's Mental Health & Anti-Bullying Awareness Month

**16-20<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Anti-Bullying Week

**20<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Transgender Day of Remembrance

22d Nov: St Andrews Day

1<sup>st</sup> Dec: World AIDS day

3<sup>rd</sup> Dec: International Day of Persons with

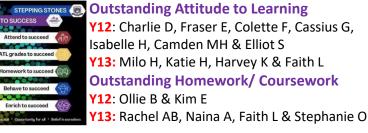
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### **TUTOR SESSIONS**

	Y12 PM Session	Y13 PM Session
W/C 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2023	PSHCE: Mental Health & Self Checks	
W/C 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2023		NO ONSITE SESSIONS See Slides 3&4

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



### Enrichment

A huge well done to Amelie D, Arda E, Ben N, Camden M-H, Dahamsa P, Erin T, Hena B, Zainab K, Lauren M, Leah W, Milena B, Sahasra P, Sofia B & Verity H-I for their commitment to launching their Ready2Lead Projects!!

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If anyone has any games they would like to donate or lend

and meet new people 🙂

to the college please bring them in!!

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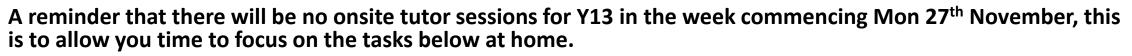
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The Shuttle bus to Wootton will leave at 2.00pm

- Please note the Rail replacement Bus will be running at normal times: 3.05pm & 3.20pm
- Students can do Independent Study in the atrium or 1<sup>st</sup> floor north until 3pm.







Drop-in support will be available in the Pastoral Tutor office & careers office.

However, any student who has not yet started their personal statement on Unifrog will be identified and expected to come onsite for 1to1 support on the day of their tutor session.

# Applying for University

### TASKS to be completed by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

- 1. Complete UCAS application (This should already be completed).
- 2. Write your personal statement, upload onto Unifrog
- Once your personal statement has been checked upload to UCAS.
  Go to your application home page and select add choices, you can select up to 5.
- UCAS charge £27.50 for an application payable by the student.
- 5. Once happy with your choices and all sections are complete, you can send your application.
- 6. any questions please pop into pastoral.

Please look on y13 teams, next steps, files. This will take you to an online version of the next steps booklet. Information for completing your application are on p17-21.

### Taking a GAP Year

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### TASKS to be completed by Friday 1st December 2023

- 1. Complete a personal statement on Unifrog.
- 2. Complete a university application on UCAS, Once you are ready to apply for university you can submit your application.
- 3. Think about how you are going to fund your gap year and what you would like to achieve during this year.
- 4. Look at apprenticeships (See next slide)



# Y13 Tutor Sessions W/b Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Nov



### TASKS to be completed by Friday 1st December 2023

1. Log onto Unifrog. Record your Activities, competencies and reflect on your Interactions in preparation for writing your CV and job application.

2. Research employers you are interested in working for and make a note of when they recruit.

3. Register with apprenticeship/ employment recruitment websites so that you are kept informed of vacancies which may be of interest

4.Consider setting up a LINKEDIN account: <u>https://students.linkedin.com/uk</u>.

### **Apprenticeships/ Employment Links**

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Use the following site to help you consider different job sectors and careers.

https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/explore-careers

https://www.ucas.com/explore/career-list

https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/job-sectors/subjects

Use the following links to register with apprenticeship websites so that you can be kept informed of vacancies.

www.Bedford.gov.uk/jobs-and-careers/jobs-hub/

www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

https://amazingapprenticeships.com/apprenticeships/



# Parent / Carer Information

### **Useful links for Parents/ Carers:**

December Theme is Supporting Young People in a Mental Health Crisis Parent Session- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 9.30-10.30am <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/myevent?eid=700112825307</u>

A safe space for teenagers worried about sexual behaviour Home - Shore (shorespace.org.uk)

# Need to talk to someone?

100% anonymous • Expert help and advice

Bedford Borough Council, Local Offer:

https://localoffer.bedford.gov.uk/kb5/bedford/directory/site.page?id=4sKAcHvw7Tw

Monthly Training for parents/carers



Following feedback we now provide a monthly round up of all training available for SEND parents/carers in Bedford Borough.



