



**Weekly Student Bulletin  
for Notley High School Sixth Form Students  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025**

Dear BSF Students,

We have reached the end of another half term, and it feels like it has been no time at all since writing that at the end of the last half term. I would like to say just how well all students have been approaching their exams and how you have been conducting yourselves around the Sixth Form during the exam period. We are very proud of all students. There is still a way to go yet until those final exams, but hopefully the weeks break now will be useful and used wisely. This includes year 12 students who will have lots to feedforward to be doing following your exam week.

**Notices**

**Mock assessment centre – Ask Apprenticeships**

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June during period 1 we will have Ask Apprenticeships running a mock assessment centre. This is an opportunity for students to find out what an Assessment Centre is, how employers use them, and it also gives students a chance to have a taste of this with a fun practical mock assessment centre exercise. All year 12 students are expected to attend.

**Enrichment/Unifrog and July 2<sup>nd</sup> Study Day**

All students should be logging their enrichment activities on Unifrog.

Wednesday July 2<sup>nd</sup> will be a study day for all students due to the new year 12 induction day taking place on this day. However, this day will be used for gaining and logging enrichment hours for any students who have not been able to log any yet.

We also welcome the support of any prefects and subject ambassadors for this day.

**Trips – UCAS and EPQ**

Thank you to all students who have returned their form for the two UCAS trips – please do get these in as soon as possible.

A letter was sent today regarding an EPQ trip to Essex university on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June. This has been sent to all students who have attended the EPQ sessions and made a start on the project. If any other students are still interested in the EPQ please do speak to me as soon as possible.

**Reports**

All parents/carers should have received a report which contains the mock exam grades/predicted grades and a learning behaviour grade. There are some additional statements on the report to provide explanations, however if there are any questions please do make contact with us, or we will be happy to discuss anything during parents evening on 5<sup>th</sup> June.

### **Work experience week**

A reminder that work experience week is 30<sup>th</sup> June- 4<sup>th</sup> July All forms must be with Ms Watson as soon as possible.

We need to have a form completed for you to be able to attend work experience during this week. If you have any questions around the nature of this week e.g. virtual work experience or other types please come and speak to Ms Watson or me.

### **Year 12 Parents/Carers evening**

Parents evening for year 12 students and parents/carers is taking place on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June if you have any questions regarding this please email [caroline.watson@braintreesixthform.com](mailto:caroline.watson@braintreesixthform.com)

### **Key dates:**

**Year 12 Parents evening** – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June

**Year 12 Higher Education trips** – ARU on 10<sup>th</sup> June, Essex Uni on 12<sup>th</sup> June

**Year 12 work experience week** – 30<sup>th</sup> June – 4<sup>th</sup> July -Please return your forms to Ms Watson as soon as possible.

**Year 13 Leavers' event** – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

### **Opportunities for you**

*This section contains opportunities that are sent through from a variety of different organisations.*

*The opportunities will vary in nature and be suitable for different students, some of the opportunities will be free and others may have a cost associated to them.*

### **Scruttonbland – work experience programme**

Please see a link to information on Scrutton Bland's [Work Experience programme](#) to share with your students. The programme will take place in July & August across our Ipswich & Colchester offices and the information on how to apply for the programme is all on the website.

If you have any questions about careers at Scrutton Bland, please contact

[careers@scruttonbland.co.uk](mailto:careers@scruttonbland.co.uk)

### **Free get into medicine conference**

Students and parents can register their place at the final Free Virtual Get Into Medicine conference of the academic year on Sunday 22nd June from 9:30am - 3:30pm here:

<https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9Iwk6/shry7MZYtt3MGPjvO>

The FREE Get Into Medicine Conference provides a comprehensive overview of the application process, including the latest UCAT, Personal Statement, and reapplication updates for the 2026 entry. Dr. Kennedy and I will delve into each step of the medical application journey, covering areas such as:

- Tactically choosing universities
- Personal statements
- UCAT Entrance Exam
- Medical school interview skills
- Medical Leadership Programmes
- Awards Programmes
- Extracurricular activities
- Work experience
- Reapplication into Medicine
- Applying for scholarships

Our aim is to equip aspiring medical students with the tools to sidestep common mistakes and pitfalls and ace their application to university. Students aged 14 - 18 are invited to attend with a parent or guardian, equipped with a working camera and microphone.

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🌟📣 **We are hiring!** 📣🌟

**Office Junior - Braintree, Essex**

👤👤 We're on the hunt for an enthusiastic and self-motivated Office Junior/Apprentice to join our growing admin team in Braintree, Essex.

🤔 What's in it for you?

- A fantastic starting position with opportunities to grow as our team expands.
- Hands-on experience across various areas of the business, including project support and coordinating engineering teams.
- The chance to complete an apprenticeship with a local college.

💪 What you'll be doing:

- Supporting our admin team with day-to-day tasks like managing stock, deliveries, and equipment.
- Contributing to the smooth running of the office space.
- Learning how to use industry tools like SimPro to track and close jobs.
- Assisting with orders, documentation, and ensuring smooth project coordination.
- Representing RDS with a positive, can-do attitude in all forms of communication.

👁️👁️ What we're looking for:

- The role is perfect for secondary school or college graduates
- A motivated individual eager to develop their skills in an admin role.
- Someone organised, detail-oriented, and a clear communicator.
- A team player with a great attitude and a willingness to learn.

No agencies.

🌍 Location Braintree, Essex , CM7 3QS (Office-based).

Drop us a message if you have any questions, or send your CV to [kim.stockdale@rdsfireandsecurity.co.uk](mailto:kim.stockdale@rdsfireandsecurity.co.uk)

**Cambridge University Open days - 10 and 11 July**

With the UK summer approaching, it's a good time for students to begin thinking about our July Open Days.

Open Days are a great opportunity for your students to get a feel for the University and to visit our Colleges, departments, and facilities.

**Key websites to search for/find out about apprenticeship opportunities**

[Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK](#)

<https://www.ucas.com/explore/search/apprenticeships?query=>

<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/>

[Prospects | Job & Course Search | Career & University Advice](#)

The Sixth Formers' Guide to Degree Apprenticeships useful and informative – please share [the link to the guide](#) with your students, their parents, and colleagues.

Have a good weekend

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ms A Brewis-Shephard', written in a cursive style.

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