

Sixth Form Bulletin

Semester 1 Week 16



Key dates:

Year 13 Parents Evening –
Thursday 26th February

Year 12 Parents Evening –
Thursday 23rd April

Year 12 Gold D of E Practice –
27th – 28th April

Year 13 – A Level Exam
window 11th May – 19th June

Year 12 Progression Tests – 1st –
12th June

Year 12 Work Experience –
15th – 19th June

Year 12 Residential – 5th – 8th
July

Key Stage messages:

Year 12:

We have launched our new Personal Development curriculum, with a clear focus on supporting our students in preparing for the world beyond school. We are very excited to have launched this alongside the work our Year 12 students have started on building a range of clubs and societies in school to further enrich our students Sixth Form experience.

Year 13:

We are very proud of the fantastic attitudes our Year 13 students are showing towards their mock assessments. These assessments play a key role in allowing students and teachers to gain real clarity around each individual's strengths, areas for development and gaps in knowledge. Following the assessments both teachers and the Sixth Form team will be working together to ensure that every Year 13 student feels really well supported as we build to the summer exam season.

If you have any further feedback or wish to follow anything up please contact us on sixthform@bentonpark.mlt.co.uk

Sixth Form Update

Our Morning Meetings and Personal Development curriculum are now in full swing. The image on the right highlights the key areas in which we are working with students and staff to build a strong Sixth Form community and culture in which everyone can thrive, feel they belong and build an environment in which all of our Sixth Form community are developing the skills and have the experiences which will support them in becoming active citizens who are able to enhance the communities in which we live.



Together we belong, develop character and achieve excellence

Recognition Board



We like to recognise students who are going above and beyond in and outside of lesson. Students below have impressed their teachers over the last two weeks and will be entered into a prize draw for the chance to receive a free hot drink from the Sixth Form Café.

Year 12:

- Sofia B and Katie R are making great progress in their Spanish lessons. I love their enthusiasm and interest in the linguistics of the language! Miss Vivar.
- Ethan H - exceptional efforts for the F200 exam revision. Mr Hisham.
- Matt B - Excellent work on advanced binary. Mr Hisham.
- Jess T, Millie J, Emma R, Amelia H - All doing brilliantly in Sociology. Mrs Elsley.
- Alex G, Ethan H, Mica M, Holly M, Millie J, Jake O. All doing what's expected and fully engaged - great Semester 1 results. Mrs Elsley.
- Ollivia K, Harry Ward, L, Will J and Sam S- All working super hard!. Miss Nathan Geary.
- Chloe M – fantastic enthusiasm in building our Sixth Form Community, especially with regards to launching our Sixth Form volunteering and fundraising group.
- Chloe M and Eva S - Showing great resilience and always being kind and approachable – Miss Lund
- Viren P, Blake F, Thinuli P, Esther Y, Libby D, Danny H, Alex D - setting a great example in the study room, using their time productively. Your hard work does not go unnoticed! Miss Lund
- To everyone who passed their Maths/English re sit exam. A huge relief and a massive well done! Miss Parker-Reaney.

Year 13:

- Joe V and Zain B - showing great determination and remaining positive under pressure.
- Well done to all year 13 completing mock exams over the next few weeks. Keep up the hard work & continued revision. Halfway there! Miss Parker-Reaney.

Student Experiences



Our Sixth Form students enjoyed a huge array of activities in the last week of term including supporting the Elf Run at Rawdon St. Peters, our trip to York Christmas market, The Big Christmas Quiz and supporting the local food bank.

Opportunities:



Our next school production is HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL. We are really excited about this one – we have a huge cast and crew that have been working hard on preparing for the show in March. Tickets can be booked via our opening system, when the site goes live this weekend, head to www.bentonpark.org.uk/events to book yours. Shows will run from WED 4th March through to 2 shows on SAT 7th March. This year, we have added a matinee performance on Saturday 7th March at 1:30pm and we are continuing with our celebration performance that we started running last year – this begins at 5:30pm with food included in the cost of the tickets and the performance will start at 6:30pm for this special performance.

BENTON PARK SCHOOL PRESENTS

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

ON STAGE!

WED 4TH - SAT 7TH MAR

WED-FRI AT 7PM | **ADULT £8** | **STUDENT £5**
SAT MAT AT 1:30PM

SAT SPECIAL INC. FOOD
6:30PM SHOW START | **ADULT £11.50** | **STUDENT £8.50**

BOOK ONLINE AT: WWW.BENTONPARK.ORG.UK/EVENTS



COMMUNITY IFTAR

25th February 2026



We would like to invite all staff, students and families to join us as a school community to break fast during the month of Ramadan on 25th February 2026. The event will start at 4.30pm where we will share a meal at sunset (approximately 5pm).

This event is a chance to come together as a school community and also raise money for our school charity Leeds Children Heart Surgery Fund. If you would like to attend, please let us know how many adults and children will be attending via this form:



If you are able to donate any items to our Community Iftar please let us know: secretaryshared@bentonpark.mlt.co.uk



As part of this event some of our staff are also taking part in a solidarity fast - a charity event where we will fast on the 25th February before breaking fast together at the Community Iftar.

You can donate to support the fast and our school charity via the school Justgiving page Benton Park Fundraising for Leeds Children's Heart Surgery Fund.

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Key Messages:

Drop off and pick up - Student safety is our priority. Please do not use the school entrance as a drop off point and adhere to road markings. Our Safer Schools Officer and other Police Officers will be monitoring this.



Girls cricket club - will be starting Monday 2nd February in the sports hall. Any students interested to register, please sign up through the PE Department.

Leeds SENDIASS – please see termly newsletter attached to the email, about upcoming sessions January – April.

Community

Leeds Winter Coat Appeal

Last chance to donate – deadline 30th January

Please donate any unwanted coats, fleeces, waterproofs (in adult, children & baby sizes), baby cot sleeping bags, snow suits for babies & children, pram footmuffs, hats, scarves and paired gloves.



Benton Park School is acting as a donation hub for the 2025 appeal! All we ask is that items are clean, of good quality and have a functioning zip. The last day for donations will be 30 January 2026. Our donation point is located in our main school reception!

All donations will be distributed to Community Hubs across Leeds early next month until the end of February 2026, more details of where you can get a FREE coat to follow. Help us to help families keep warm this winter. #leedswintercoatappeal #wearandshareleeds

What to do when...



...your child is asking for their first phone

Use UKSIC's advice page for things to consider:

www.saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers/phones

...you're worried about who your child is talking to whilst gaming

Read our article to learn more about safer in-game chat:

www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/articles/in-game-chat/

...your child wants to join social media

Use our article for what to consider:

www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/articles/is-my-child-ready-for-social-media/

Know more about how each social media platform works with **Internet Matters** guides:

www.internetmatters.org/advice/apps-and-platforms/social-media/

...you're worried your child might see something inappropriate online

Read our article for advice and guidance:

www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/articles/im-worried-my-primary-aged-child-might-see-something-inappropriate-online/

...you're worried your child might share a nude image, or already has

Watch our short films for advice:

www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/articles/nude-selfies-a-parents-guide/

Remember, under 18s can report nude images shared online to **Report Remove** for help to take it down:

www.childline.org.uk/remove

...you want to protect your child from online blackmail

Read our guidance for parents and carers on financially motivated sexual extortion:

www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/articles/FMSE/

Share our online blackmail article for 11-18s with your young person:

www.ceopeducation.co.uk/11-18/lets-talk-about/sexual-abuse/online-blackmail/

Want to help better protect your child online?

Visit the CEOP Education website for:

Conversation starters

Advice

Activities

Videos

Where to get help

to help protect 4 to 18 year olds from online sexual abuse



Scan the QR code or visit:
www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents



Education from the National Crime Agency