



Year 13 Parents' & Carers' Information Evening

0121 441 6144



PRAYER

Who am I, God?

Why am I here?

What do you want me to do?

You made me special
to do something wonderful
in this life of mine.

Show me what I might be,

What I might do,

Who I might help

And I'll do it for you.

AMEN



Mission Statement

In our community of faith at Bishop Challoner Sixth Form

We give glory to God

By developing our full potential

And in our service to others

In the name of the Father

And of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

Amen



Being in a Catholic College

- Everyone is welcome. **No-one is excluded.** There is no discrimination because all human beings are created in the image of God and are therefore good. **Everyone has the right to be treated with dignity.**
- It is a faith community that fosters **positive relationships** among learners, teachers and parents/carers.
- Worship and prayer are integral and central to school life.
- A sense of social responsibility based on Gospel values is fostered. This helps learners to become **citizens who will make a difference** in society.

This is what we are about - We ALL have a duty to contribute to this



Who's Who in the Sixth Form?

Mrs. Nutt - Assistant Principal, Director of Sixth Form

Mrs Healy - Head of Year 13

Dr Osborne- Head of Year 12

Miss Darby - Head of Student Services, Post 16

Mrs Colgan- Student Services Advisor/Careers Advisor

Mrs Taylor - Sixth Form Student Services Administrator Attendance Year 13

Mrs Newton - Attendance Year 12

Mrs Reynolds - Mental Health Lead

Mr Hetherton – Senior Vice Principal, Timetabling, course changes

Mr Hearnden - Principal , Pastoral support



Year 13 Destinations 2020

77% in Higher Education

49% of HE places at ***Russell Group*** universities

7% in Apprenticeships/Further Education

14% on a gap year (University 2021 entry)

2% Employment



Procedures during year 13

Please see Handbook

<https://bishopchalloner.org.uk/sixth-form/about-us/student-parent-carer-handbook>

- Students are required on site at 8.40am and after their last lesson they may go home, except for Tuesdays and Thursdays when they have afternoon form until 3.10
- Study sessions also run on these afternoons
- Students must utilise study periods and independent study time wisely
- Additional facilities for independent study are provided in our year 13 study centre
- There is a dress code

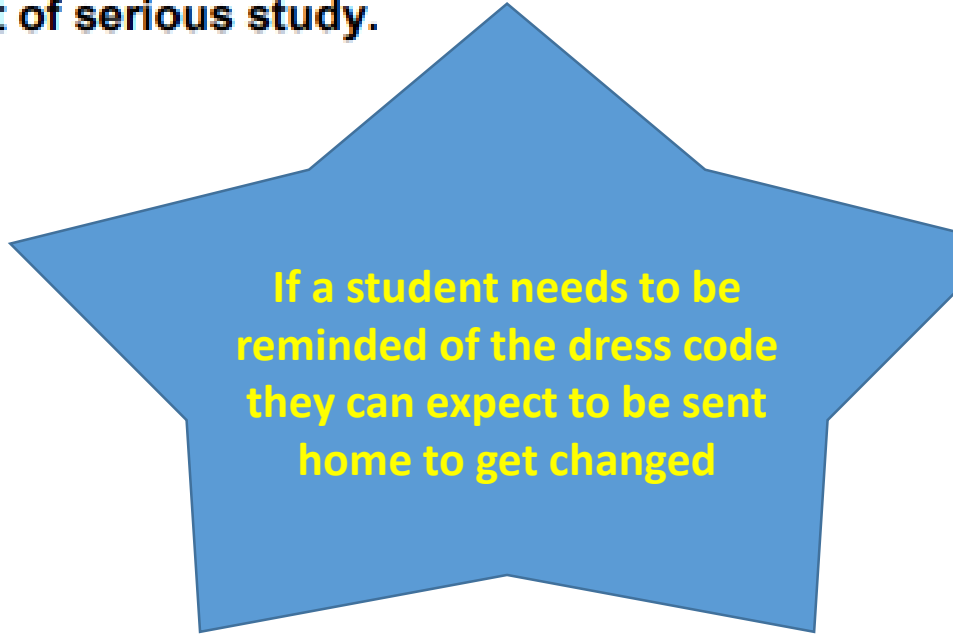
The screenshot displays the website for Bishop Challoner Catholic College. The header includes the college's logo, name, contact information (0121 444 4161, enquiry@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk), and social media links. A navigation bar lists various sections: Catholic College, Sixth Form, Catholic Life, Uniform, Sports Centre, Teaching School, Vacancies, Hire Facilities, Careers HUB, and SEND HUB. The 'Sixth Form' section is expanded, showing a list of links: About Us, Prospectus, Student/Parent/Carer Handbook (highlighted), Ofsted, Staff, Letters, External Examinations, Term Dates, Contextual Information, and 16-19 Programme of Study. The main content area is titled 'Student/Parent/Carer Handbook' and features a breadcrumb trail: Home / Sixth Form / About Us / Student/Parent/Carer Handbook. Below the title is a large image showing students in a study session, with a 'SHARE' button and a right arrow icon.

DRESS CODE

There is no uniform for Sixth Form students, but the expectation is that they conform to a style of dress we call 'modest casual'. This may be different to a student's interpretation of "casual". The Sixth Form dress code reflects the fact that this is a working environment and that our students are role models for the rest of the college. **Student dress must be appropriate for an environment of serious study.**

The following items are **NOT** appropriate:

- Clothes that reveal bare backs, midriff or plunging necklines
- Strapless tops
- Clothes that reveal upper thighs (unless worn with thick leggings)
- Clothes with offensive slogans
- Shorts above the knee
- Ripped Jeans
- Jogging/tracksuit bottoms or PE shorts
- Leggings, unless worn with a dress/tunic
- Headwear, except that worn for religious reasons



If a student needs to be reminded of the dress code they can expect to be sent home to get changed



Absences

- If a student is unwell and unable to attend college, the parent/carer is requested to inform Mrs Taylor on **0121 441 6144 on each day of absence**
- Please also inform Mrs Taylor of any planned absence (e.g. hospital appointment, practical driving test) **before the event**



Safeguarding

- ID lanyards must be worn at all times
- Sensible precautions should be taken to ensure personal safety off site
- Students receive an annual online safety assembly
- If a student is struggling with anxiety or other mental health concerns they should speak to one of the members of the Sixth Form Team who may refer them to our school Mental Health Team.
- Students must first report to First Aid if unwell at college and will only be allowed to leave with parents / carer consent



Mental Health Team



Mrs Breen



Mr Clarke



Mrs Nutt



Mrs Peckover



Mrs Reynolds



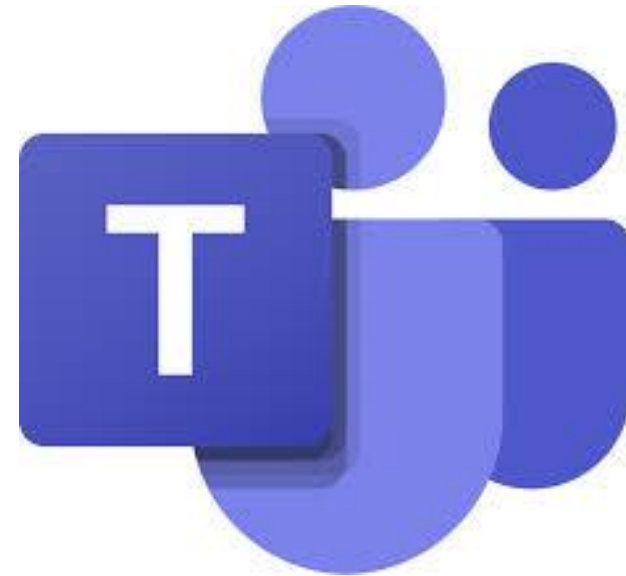
Mrs Spencer



Identifiable by their Green Ribbon Badges



Online and Distanced Learning





Careers Support in Year 13

- **Support with:**
- UCAS. The process has already begun. Sessions are being run to support students with registering for UCAS.
- Student Finance/Disabled Student Allowance
- Applying for apprenticeships/school leaver programmes and employment
- Interview preparation
- Notifying students of vacancies/school leaver opportunities
- Results Day
- Follow up support over the summer 2022



UCAS Deadlines

Early Applicants

Oxford University

Cambridge University

Medicine

Dentistry

Veterinary Science/Medicine

Deadline:
24th September

Applications for all other courses and institutions

Deadline:
22nd October

Apprenticeships

Deadlines for apprenticeships
will vary.

Some big companies will have
deadlines before Christmas.

It is advisable for students to
start looking now to get an
idea of what is out there.



UCAS

What students should have done by now

- First complete draft of their personal statement, on Unifrog
 - Registered for UCAS and completed most of the application

ONLY 7 full weeks to complete their application

- Decide if they definitely want to go to university
 - Decide on course
- Decide on which universities
- Finalise Personal Statement
 - Finish their application
 - Submit it to us



What happens when they submit their application to us?

- We read over and check their whole application
- Make sure they haven't missed anything or made any mistakes
- Do a final check over their Personal Statement
- Write a detailed reference
- Add on predicted grades
- Approve their application and send it to UCAS



Next Steps

- Talk from University of Birmingham on Monday
- Workshops to complete their Education section on UCAS
- Send their Personal Statement to their Form Tutor on Unifrog if they are ready for someone to read it
- If they are not where they should be, act now, or ask for help!
- If they have questions or concerns, see Miss Darby or Mrs Colgan in the 6th Form Office



Public Exams

- Good attendance and adequate progress required
- Students may be asked to pay for exam entry if not the case
- If there is a need for special examination arrangements (extra time, use of a laptop etc.) this **cannot** be made just prior to the examination period.
- If issues occur that impact on a student's ability to prepare, in the run up to public examinations, the College must be informed, so that special consideration can be requested from the examination boards. Written evidence may be required.



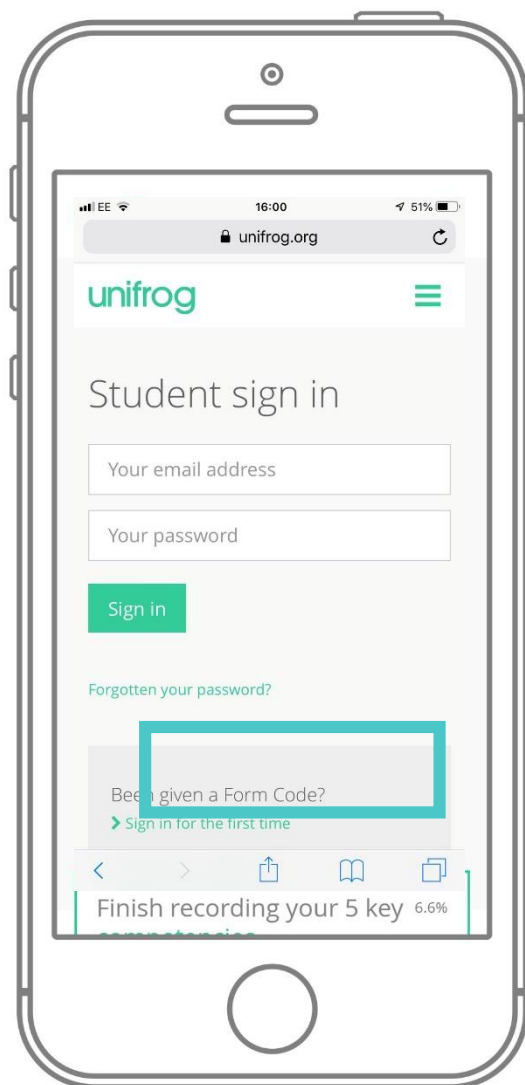
unifrog

- Unifrog provides a one-stop-shop where students can explore their interests, then find and successfully apply for their best next-step after school.
- Regardless of whether your son/daughter has lots of career ideas or none, whether they are considering university, an apprenticeship or any other pathway, Unifrog can help!



unifrog

Parents & Carers, get signed up!



Go to www.unifrog.org/student and click
'Sign in for the first time'
You'll be asked for some details and a form
code. This is what you need:

BSCCPARENTS

After signing up, log into Unifrog using your
email address and password via the student
sign-in page!



Covid testing

Students should not attend school if they display any symptoms of COVID-19 and are advised to seek a PCR test.

Home testing

Students will continue to receive testing kits to carry out twice weekly testing at home during September; this is in addition to the two on-site lateral flow tests taking place at the start of September. Please continue to report your test results to the NHS and also to the school via this electronic form

www.tinyurl.com/CVResultBCCC

It is very important that you continue to let us know if you test positive either on a Lateral Flow or a PCR test.

Close contacts and isolation

Close contacts will now be identified via NHS Test and Trace and the school will no longer be expected to undertake contact tracing.

Further information is on the Parent / Carer letter on the website dated 3.9.21



Change in circumstances

- Please notify college



Mock exams 20 – 24th September

- Will run as they did in June – one paper in lesson time
- Students have been reminded and encouraged to discuss concerns with teachers and seek advice / help
- Positive experience
- Inform but not determine UCAS predicted grades





**Please contact
College immediately
if you have questions
or concerns**