



Christ the King College

# SIXTH FORM NEWS

February 2024

There has been a lot of noise in the Education media this month regarding mobile phones and GCSE resist. CTKC has had a no mobile phones policy in place for years already, as have many schools. On the notion of massively increasing GCSE resit provision, in the midst of the worst shortage of maths teachers ever, where at least one in seven classes are taught by non-maths specialists, the government has just announced that they want more maths to be taught to more students in the sixth-form phase.

Kevin Gilmartin from ASCL writes, "Imagine there are concerns about a shortage of tea bags. Supply problems arising from shipping attacks in the Red Sea area are to blame. Well, wouldn't it be strange if the government then said to the public: "We recognise there is a tea shortage – so we want you to all drink more tea. And not only drink more tea, but whilst these supply shortages exist we would also like you to use two tea bags per cup instead of one." I hope you enjoy this quote as much as I did.

Mrs. Conway-Hughes

## Dates for your Diaries:

- ⇒ **28th February, The Oxford University Trip**
- ⇒ **01st March, Hornet Awareness in College**
- ⇒ **04th March, Geography residential Field Trip to London**
- ⇒ **13th March, Computing & Engineering University Visit**
- ⇒ **15th March, Bob Seeley, Government & Politics visit**
- ⇒ **18th—21st March Year 13 Mock Exams (am only, lesson in the afternoon where possible please)**

## Reflection

May the sunlight and the rain be reminders that You are at work renewing the earth. As a God of renewal, You are ever at work in our lives, too. Open our eyes and lives to the needed changes in our lives this Spring. Awaken us to new life and perspective, for we pray in Jesus' name.

## In this edition

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- \* The new Student Leadership Team revealed
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- \* Competitions
- \* Other opportunities





Huge congratulations to **Caleb Palmer** in Y12 who achieved a **Gold** accreditation in the British Biology Olympiad.

No one has ever achieved Gold from our school before!

He now has the chance to go through to be selected for the national team (online test, then boot camp in Warwick) before the Worldwide Olympiad in Kazakhstan.

Congratulations Caleb, whatever you decide. What a fantastic achievement.

Thank you also to Mrs. Stuart for organising this opportunity for our students.



Congratulations also to **Lianne Ponferrada** who has been offered a place on the Inspire 12 Programme, St John's College, University of Oxford.

**HIGHLY  
COMMENDED**

#### News

Huge thanks and congratulations to **Favour Adeniyi, Jess Curtis and Connor Garner** for leading the whole recruitment process for our new student leadership team. They have been thorough and professional throughout.

Congratulations to **Jasmine Latif** who won the pancake competition, photo below—a stunning plate of food!

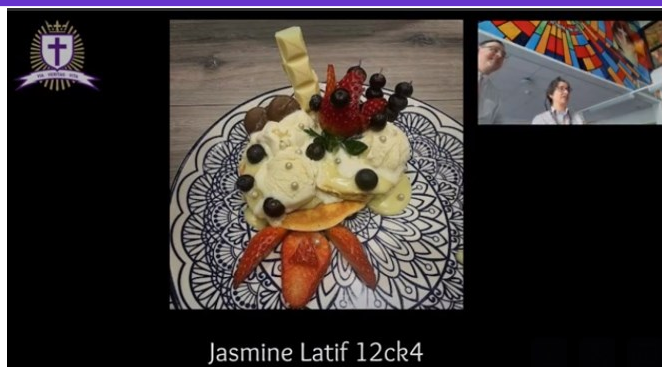
Congratulations to **Jessica Adkins** who has been awarded one, of only 14 available places, to study her degree with the Royal Navy. This is a very significant achievement and well deserved.

Thank you and well done to: **Sebastian Young, Freddie Chalmers, Abbie Gilliam, Olivia Hedley, Tom Townshend and Lily Risbridger** for braving the terrible weather and supporting KS3 students with their Cross Country running Competition. They were amazing and absolute troopers for staying out there all afternoon.

Well done **Lianne Ponferrada** for joining the Ryde's (MUN) Model UN Council, she will be representing South Africa on Economic and Social matters.

Thank you once again to our Sixth Form Reading Mentors who have started a new round of supporting younger students with their reading: **Grace Lavell, Guillianne Ponferrada, Korinna Goddard, Maddison Hole, Amélie Reddecliff, Emily Davis, Samuel Willis, Seth Burton & Evangeline Wells**

Thank you and well done to **Annabel Horton, Grace Renshaw, Grace Flynn, Ruby Newman, Rory Allen, Jake Garner, and Jess Atkins** for supporting the sessions to raise awareness for the Asian Hornets on the Isle of Wight—great work everyone.



Jasmine Latif 12ck4

## Our Student Leaders

### Head Students

Favour Adeniyi

### Deputy Head Students

Connor Garner

Jessica Curtis

### Student Council & WFA Leaders

Eleanor Torrance

Peter Abbott

### Head of EARA

Maeve Furnidge

### Pastoral Team

Sienna Hobbs

### Transitions Team

Olivia Wilkinson

Jake Garner

### Events & Fundraising Team

Eirann McClumpha

Kade Elvers

Olivia Wilkinson

# Student LEADERSHIP

News

Over the past three months, our leadership team has been undergoing an extensive process of interviews to find our new 2024/25 leadership team. Our process started in December, where applicants filled out a form to discuss what roles they think suited them. We then held a group interview in January which gave us a chance to meet all our applicants face to face and see how they work as a group. We had an amazing, interactive session, getting everyone involved and all making useful contributions: it was so lovely to meet everyone and it filled us with confidence that the new leadership team will be a brilliant team!

We then continued the process with solo interviews in February, giving us a chance to talk to applicants face to face and ask more specific questions to help narrow down our decision. After a lot of deliberation, thought and further discussions with Mrs Conway-Hughes, we are confident that we have created a leadership team that will be extremely successful and do great things for the school!

We present to you your New Student Leadership Team for 2024/25:

- HEAD STUDENTS: **Evangeline Wells and Faith Wagstaff**
- DEPUTY HEAD STUDENT & WFA: **Lianne Pofferranda**
- HEAD OF EVENTS/ FUNDRAISING: **Kato Paul and Abigail Gilliam**
- HEAD OF TRANSITIONS: **Sam Willis**
- HEAD OF HOUSE COUNCIL: **Olivia Valvona**
- HEAD OF PASTORAL/ EARA: **Jasmine Latif**

Thank you all for stepping forward and accepting these leadership roles, we're so excited to see what you all do with roles!

All the outgoing leaders are very confident that you will make an outstanding leadership team and achieve great things. Wishing everyone the best in their endeavours.

To our former leadership team: Thank you all so much for your efforts in the past year, we've all accomplished so much and seeing everyone bond as a team has been phenomenal. You should all be extremely proud of yourselves.

Our official leadership handover will take place on Monday, so that's all from us, your 2023/24 leadership team! Thank you to everyone that has contributed and helped out over the past year, it's been a pleasure to represent the school as head students. Favour, Connor and Jess



# Health Professionals taster day

@Southampton University

8 Year 12 and 13 students visited Southampton University for a Health Professions taster day where they experienced practical sessions in Audiology, Nursing, Cardiac Physiology and Occupational Therapy. They also were given a tour of the campus. During their practical sessions students learnt practical skills such as taking blood pressure measurements, dealing with a cardiac arrest, how they can adapt and support someone to live an independent life and also skills required to monitor someone's hearing. It was an invaluable experience, and some students went away with a clearer vision for their future career prospects.



# Revision

## A2 PSYCHOLOGY REVISION DROP-IN

Every Tuesday week 2,  
period 2 (10:00-11:00) in S23

Please bring a topic you'd  
like support with;  
student-need-led sessions



# Summer Schools

**SUTTON TRUST UK SUMMER SCHOOLS GIVE YOU THE CHANCE TO  
EXPERIENCE WHAT UNIVERSITY LIFE IS REALLY LIKE**

**Applications for UK Summer Schools 2024 are  
now open.**

Applications are now open for 2024 UK Summer School programmes!

[APPLY HERE](#)



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# LSE

Applications for your Year 12 students to apply for the **Black Achievement Conference** are now open!



## The Black Achievement Conference: Year 12

The Black Achievement Conference is a long-standing event organised by the LSE Widening Participation team since 2007. The event is a half-day online conference which celebrates the achievements and contributions of the black community at LSE.

The event is exclusively for Year 12 students of black heritage who are interested in finding out more about what our world-leading university has to offer. The conference will showcase the achievements of the black community at LSE, giving participants a taste of what it would be like to study at LSE and what a degree in social sciences could lead to.

The conference typically engages a host of contributors including LSE students, staff and alumni. There will be a full and varied programme during the event, enabling participants to gain an insight into university life, study, and the university application process.

In keeping with the theme of Black History Month, the theme for the 2024 conference is "Saluting Our Sisters". Participants will hear from a host of inspiring black women from across the university, sharing their experiences of studying and working at LSE.

# Opportunities



## CBRE GWS Virtual Insight Session

(Thu 7 Mar | 18:00 - 19:00)

Do you know any Years 11 – 13 (or left school) looking to work with one of the UK's largest construction firms? 🚀

**Get them to sign up now before it's too late!!**

Global Workplace Solutions is one of CBRE's biggest and fastest growing business units.

There are iconic buildings around the country that CBRE GWS have been a part of from planning and acquisition, through design and construction, operation, adaptation, and final disposal. Buildings include The London Emirates Stadium, Ikea & Pure Gym to name just a few!

[Register here](#)



## Subject Masterclasses

This month our Subject Masterclasses series covers:



- English - 9 March, in person
- Physics - 9 March, in person
- Politics and International Studies - 9 March, in person
- Economics - 21 March, online
- Land Economy - 22 March, online
- Anglo-Saxon, Norse & Celtic - 25 March, online
- Plant Sciences/Zoology - 28 March, online

The events are designed for both UK and international students (in Year 12 or the equivalent) looking to apply in October 2024 and are a great way to experience typical undergraduate teaching at the University of Cambridge.

Masterclasses will be added throughout the year, so remind students to use the link below for the most up to date listings.

[View upcoming Masterclasses >](#)

## Meet the Russell Group - webinars



**30 April to 2 May**

These interactive virtual events will allow your students to explore all 24 Russell Group universities.

Students in Years 11 to 13 can learn from staff and student ambassadors as they cover a range of topics.

[Find out more >](#)

## Higher Education Fairs in 2024



A great way for students who are curious about applying to Cambridge to learn more about the application process is to visit us at an Higher Education (HE) fair.

We are attending HE fairs across the UK, which will give your students the chance to chat to one of our friendly representatives.

[Find your nearest HE fair >](#)



# Soton University Open Days

## Southampton dates

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We are pleased to announce our 2024 undergraduate open days will be taking place on:

- Saturday 6 July
- Sunday 7 July
- Sunday 8 September
- Saturday 5 October
- Sunday 6 October

## Winchester School of Art dates

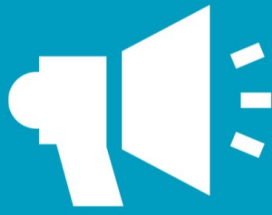
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Our 2024 undergraduate open days for Winchester will be taking place on:

- Saturday 15 June
- Sunday 6 October
- Wednesday 30 October
- Saturday 16 November

# Opportunities

Meet the



# RUSSELL GROUP



30th April - 2nd May



Afternoon Session: 12:00 - 13:30  
Evening Session: 16:30 - 18:00



[www.ukuniversitysearch.com/fair-signup/meet-the-russell-group](http://www.ukuniversitysearch.com/fair-signup/meet-the-russell-group)

## SOUTHAMPTON SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FESTIVAL

8th - 17th  
March 2024

Free events and activities.

[START EXPLORING](#)



## SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING DAY



**SATURDAY  
16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024**

Highfield Campus and  
Boldrewood Innovation  
Campus, Southampton

Free activities, workshops, talks, lab tours  
and live shows suitable for all ages.

[BOOK YOUR TICKETS](#)



## Kick-start your creative career with a winning portfolio: Top tips from experts

For students

Explore how you can tap into the growing sector of creative careers in the UK and internationally. Learn how Winchester School of Art can help you to succeed in your future career through their collaborative industry focussed degree courses. Hear from expert creative practitioners who will share top tips on developing your portfolio and UCAS personal statement.

When Tuesday 19 March @ 16:30 UK time

Duration 45 mins

# Sutton Trust Summer Schools

For most programmes, young people apply to our programmes directly through our website. Please visit the page for the programme your child is interested in for further details and timelines for applications. Please note, your child may only take part in one Sutton Trust programme at one time.

## Of the students who went on our programmes last year

42%

The proportion that were eligible for free school meals.

76%

The proportion that were among the first in their family to go to university.

92%

The proportion that met 3 or more social mobility criteria.

### UK SUMMER SCHOOLS



PROGRAMME STATUS: **NOW OPEN**

OPENING DATE:  
09/01/2024

CLOSING DATE:  
07/03/2024

AGE: **YEAR 12 (ENGLAND & WALES), YEAR 13 (NORTHERN IRELAND) OR S5 (SCOTLAND)**  
LOCATION: **NATIONWIDE**

[MORE ABOUT THIS PROGRAMME](#)

Get a taste of life as a university student in the UK.

### ACCESS APPRENTICESHIPS



PROGRAMME STATUS: **NOW OPEN**

OPENING DATE:  
09/01/2024

CLOSING DATE:  
07/03/2024

AGE: **YEAR 12 (ENGLAND & WALES), YEAR 13 (NORTHERN IRELAND) OR S5 (SCOTLAND)**  
LOCATION: **LONDON AND BIRMINGHAM**

[MORE ABOUT THIS PROGRAMME](#)

Find out more about what a degree-level apprenticeship would be like.

# The Maker Challenge

## The Maker Challenge



A programme for young people local to White City, offering you opportunity to develop an idea and see it through to creation.

### About the Maker Challenge

This programme gives you the chance to develop an idea and see it through to creation. With access to cutting edge technologies, you will learn to use a range of making tools and techniques with the support of our staff and students.

You will gain a range of skills from practical, hands-on use of equipment to a myriad of soft skills including product development, team-building, presenting and communicating. At the end of the programme there will also be a showcase of the projects for your parents, teachers and families to see.

### What to expect

The Maker Challenge runs throughout the year with programmes during each school term and the summer holidays. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, sessions will be delivered at the Makerspace at reduced capacity and with social distancing precautions.

The [Dangoor Reach Out Makerspace](#) is a dedicated space for young people, containing tools such as 3D printers, laser cutter, scanners, traditional woodworking machinery, hand tools and craft materials. There is a workshop space and design studio, staffed by our dedicated Makerspace team.

### Applications for the Maker Challenge programme are now open

The programme takes place over 9 days during the summer holidays. There are two groups to choose from; Group A takes place from 29 July to 8 August (plus Saturday 24 August for showcase), and Group B takes place from 12 August to 22 August (plus Saturday 24 August for showcase). Sessions are Monday to Friday from 10am-4pm and lunch is provided. Workshops take place at the Dangoor Reach Out Makerspace in White City.

### At a glance

- Dates: 29 July – 8 Aug OR 12–22 Aug
- Non-residential (takes place at the Dangoor Reach Out Makerspace)
- For young people local to or near White City
- Applications are now open
- Applications close: 14 July 2024

Apply now







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Student's school:

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Teacher's name:

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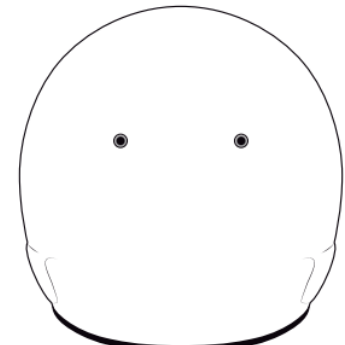
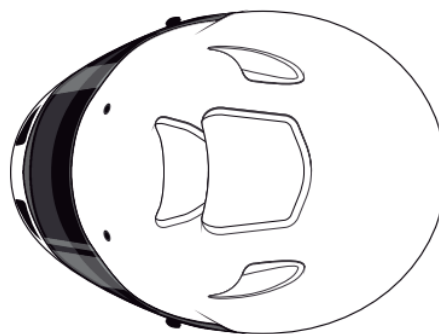
Student's first name:

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**The brief:**

To celebrate a year of the ground-breaking **INEOS Go Humans Academy** masterclass series, we're calling on UK students aged 11-18 to design a helmet for Sir Lewis Hamilton.

To be in with a chance of your helmet design being photographed with Lewis at a 2024 Grand Prix event, as well as exclusive F1-signed merchandise and experiences, use this template to let your creativity and imagination run wild. The judges will be looking for designs that celebrate and promote a sense of inclusion.



Submission deadline is 23:59 on 31 March 2024  
For more information and T&Cs, go to [ineoshygenics.co.uk](https://ineoshygenics.co.uk)

Good luck to those who have already collected the design template!

# Fine Art and Photography Competition



Shortlisted artworks will be shown in shipping containers in Southampton Guildhall Square

On the opening night, competition winners will be announced and prizes awarded



For more information and to submit your work  
Scan here

Submission Deadline  
Friday 1st March 2024

Private View + Prize Giving  
Tuesday 30th April, 5pm - 8pm

This is an open competition as we are interested in each individual student's unique voice and creative approach. Selected art works will be exhibited in shipping containers in Southampton Guildhall Square between 30th April – 2nd May.

Official opening night is Tuesday 30th April, 5-8pm where winners will be announced, and prizes awarded.

## Prizes:

**1st Place: £300 of art/photography supplies of your choice, work exhibited, the opportunity for your college to visit the exhibition and university for a taster day.**

**2nd Place: £200 of art/photography supplies of your choice, work exhibited**

**3rd Place: £100 of art/photography supplies of your choice, work exhibited**

Shortlisted: Work exhibited

If you have any further questions, please contact Nina or Nic:: [nina.sverdvik@solent.ac.uk](mailto:nina.sverdvik@solent.ac.uk), [nicola.chamberlain@solent.ac.uk](mailto:nicola.chamberlain@solent.ac.uk)

# University of Southamp- ton Work Experience Placements

## Academic Skills Team - Monday 10th to Friday 14th June 2024

Application Deadline: 15th March 2024

Are you passionate about graphic design, marketing, or events? The Academic Skills team at the University of Southampton have a fantastic opportunity to get involved in a conference and designing our marketing materials. The Academic Skills Service provides guidance and support to students in areas such as academic skills, writing, and mathematics and statistics skills through 1:1 appointments, weekly activities, resources, and events.

As part of your work experience, you'll have the exciting opportunity to be a part of the team supporting the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) conference during the initial two days. This immersive experience will offer insights into event coordination.

For the remaining days, you'll collaborate with the team to contribute to the planning and creation of original marketing materials. Don't worry if you're new to this – we'll provide the necessary support and training in events management, content creation, and the use of tools like Canva.

The key skills we're looking for include working collaboratively, an interest in design, creativity, and an interest in marketing. This experience promises a hands-on opportunity to develop these skills, work closely with a supportive team, and gain valuable insights into working in higher education.

## Library Team - Monday 10th to Friday 14th June 2024

Application Deadline: 15th March 2024

Are you interested in a career supporting people with learning and research? Do you like to talk to people and help them? Do you enjoy using your IT skills and working in an organised way? Are you interested in finding out more about Higher Education and a university environment?

If you answered yes, you could benefit from work experience with the University of Southampton Library. You'll find out that we are about much more than books! We support University students to carry out their studies in the Library and online (the largest proportion of our collection is electronic). We work with people carrying out research to help them find and share specialist information.

There are lots of different aspects to working in a Library and your work experience with us would involve trying out a range of roles. This might include: helping the team with enquiries at one of our busy Help Desks; learning how we maintain our achieves and special collections; learning about the future of learning with our digital scholarship team. You would have the chance to develop workplace skills of communication, customer service and independent work. You will meet members of the Library team and have the chance to review and feedback on what it's like for new students being introduced to the Library.

Are you interested in completing a work experience placement at the University of Southampton? Are you in Year 10-13 and meet at least one of the below entry requirements? Complete our [application form](#) to apply for one of our exciting placements and we will be in touch.

# Apprenticeships Guide

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## Our Apprenticeships Guide 2024 is here

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## Our Apprenticeships Guide 2024 is here!

To celebrate the start National Apprenticeship Week, we are launching our brand new Apprenticeships Guide for parents and carers – and **it's free for you to download now**. Our new digital guide is packed full of vital information to help parents guide young people as they decide whether an apprenticeship could be for them.

Sponsored by the **National Audit Office**, the fourth edition of our Apprenticeships Guide contains insider insights from employers, interviews with today's apprentices – and in-depth information about apprenticeship programmes across 17 industries.

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# AWE Apprenticeships

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YOUR  
POTENTIAL

## Chris, aged 20 in Level 3 Mechatronics Apprenticeship.

*"I studied Maths, Physics and Computer Science at 6th form which gave me the theoretical knowledge, but it was this apprenticeship that raised my practical knowledge up to the same level. Without it I wouldn't have the confidence and quality in my work to meet the standards of AWE and start my career in the professional engineering world.*

*After completing my apprenticeship in Mechatronics, I am specialising in electronics where the company is paying for me to go and complete my degree achieving the same standard as a level 6 apprenticeship."*

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📍 Reading area 📅 Full time

🕒 Posted 19 Days Ago

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### Mechanical Maintenance Apprenticeship (Level 3 Advanced)

📍 Reading area 📅 Full time

🕒 Posted 30+ Days Ago

R19609

### Mechatronic Maintenance Apprenticeship (Level 3 Advanced)

📍 Reading area 📅 Full time

🕒 Posted 30+ Days Ago

R19611

About Us



Before applying to any of our Apprentice roles, it is important that you know that you are eligible. If you need to check then please:

Click [here](#) for Level 2 roles

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# Pfizer Apprenticeship Program



## Pfizer UK Apprentices in Action

### Why we think apprenticeships are so important

You're the future. Your ambition, talents, ideas and unique way of looking at the world will help us drive innovation in every part of our business.

We need people with a hugely diverse range of talents.

Our apprenticeship scheme, run in partnership with Cogent Skills, offers the best of both worlds. You'll work with world-leaders in your field, from researchers to business gurus. You'll study towards a nationally recognised academic or professional qualification. And, you'll be earning a highly competitive salary.

### Apprenticeship Roles Include

Our apprenticeship schemes range from level 2 to level 7, and last between 12 months and five years. You can choose one that's just right for you.

*Here are just some of the areas in which we offer apprenticeships:*

*Marketing*

*Finance*

*Business Admin*

*Data Scientist*

*Project Management*

#BEE WELL



# #BeeWell

Youth Steering Group



**DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO YOUNG PEOPLE'S LIVES?**

- Do you have an interest in young people's wellbeing?
- Can you talk about the issues and challenges young people face?
- Are you aged between 12 and 18?



If you have answered yes to these questions and would like to join a group that will make a difference to young people's lives, we'd love to hear from you.

At #BeeWell, we believe young people should be central to all that we do.

Listen to young people's voices

Act together for change

Celebrate young people's wellbeing



Over 22,000 young people took part in the #BeeWell survey to tell us what impacts their wellbeing. The results are now ready, and we need young people to help tell us what is most important and how we can all act on the results.

We are looking for young people to help set up and be part of the group. Find out how to apply on the next page..



**MAKING YOUNG PEOPLE'S WELLBEING  
EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS**



# #BeeWell

How to apply

You will have the opportunity to:

- represent other young people,
- have a say in what should be done to improve young people's wellbeing, and
- help influence decisions.



You will make sure our work is youth-centred and decisions are not made by a room full of adults.

Members will decide how the group is run, but meetings will probably be monthly, online, and after school.

If you have any questions or would like to find out more, please ask your teacher / youth worker to email us at [HIOW.beeWell@hants.gov.uk](mailto:HIOW.beeWell@hants.gov.uk)

If you are ready to apply, send us your answers to these five questions by 28 Feb:

- How would you introduce yourself in one minute to someone you've never met?
- What do you feel most passionate about?
- What would you enjoy most about being part of the group?
- Your name.
- Name of your school or youth group.

You can email [HIOW.beeWell@hants.gov.uk](mailto:HIOW.beeWell@hants.gov.uk) or send a voice note to 07871990819

You will also need to complete and return the consent form giving parent/carer permission.

APPLY NOW



Apply by 28 February

Everyone who applies will be contacted by 6 March.

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# Platform 1

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10:00 - 14:00

**23.03.24**