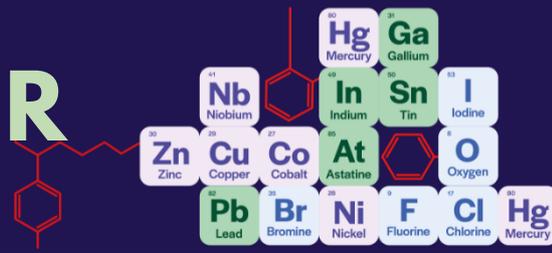


CUC NEWSLETTER

SUMMER, WEEK 7



All of a sudden, we are in the final half term of the year. Exams are still going smoothly and students have done a wonderful job of holding focus during this challenging time. The end is in sight! Magical opportunities continue to happen in the building and we have had another week of visits, speakers and experiences.

Useful Dates -

- 26th June - Year 10 and 12 Exams start / Year 13 Leavers Assembly
- 29th June - Year 11 Prom
- 30th June - Inset Day. School closed to students

LJMU End of Year Exhibition - On Thursday, Year 12 Creatives visited LJMU end of year exhibition. Students were able to explore and be inspired by the work of more than 300 young artists and designers, showing their skills in Fine Art, Graphic Art, Illustration, Fashion, Architecture and History of Art. It was so inspiring to see the exciting projects the students have produced during their degrees.



Year 11 Study Leave - We have had a number of queries about leaving the building during the exam period. We do not permit study leave and remind students that working in the building with access to staff is in their best interest. However, we have agreed that if students have an afternoon exam, they may leave the building when it has been completed.

Year 10 Work Experience - We have had some brilliant questions this week from our Year 10s about Work Experience. Well done for thinking ahead and preparing for the jobs of tomorrow! In Year 10, we encourage students to look at virtual work experience with Springpod (overleaf) and Speakers4Schools and to use the summer break to explore their passions. We also want to reassure students that we are reintroducing opportunities to complete work experience in person in Year 12 and 13. We currently coordinate a number of placements for Year 12 students with our business partners as their health and safety requirements insist that students be aged 16 and over.

Taking to the skies - Caleb shared the exciting news that he flew a plane over the half term! He did this as part of his Royal Air Force Cadets training, and he gave his engineering classmates a short talk explaining the type of plane he flew and the manoeuvres he made in the air. There was lots of interest and a lively question and answer session after he spoke.



Claire House Legend Award - By completing the Claire House Legend Award, you will be helping Claire House in so many ways. As a charity, they rely on people to fundraise, volunteer and spread the word. By completing the award, you will gain valuable experience to put on your CV or personal statement. Find out more at <https://www.clairehouse.org.uk/hero-awards/>



Student Leaders - This week the Year 10 student leaders have fully organised our charity cupboard with all of our Christmas appeal items. We also provide things if they are needed throughout the year. Please get in touch if there is anything you would like to donate! The Year 11 leaders have been sorting the Yearbook and the prom preparations and Year 13 voted to have a trip instead and Alton Towers letters can be collected from Student Services.

Virtual Work Experience

THE LEADER IN WORLD-CLASS VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE

We've helped over 1 MILLION young people

We work with over 700 top employers

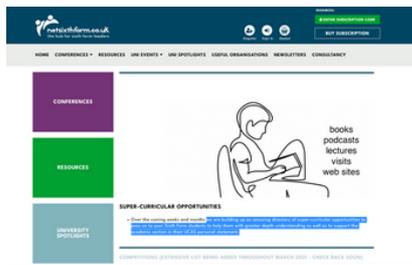
Our aim as a charity is to level the playing field for young people across the UK when it comes to accessing high quality work experience to help them plan for their future careers.

Many young people struggle to access traditional in-person work experience, especially those from harder to reach areas or from lower socio-economic backgrounds.

Word of the Week - TENACIOUS

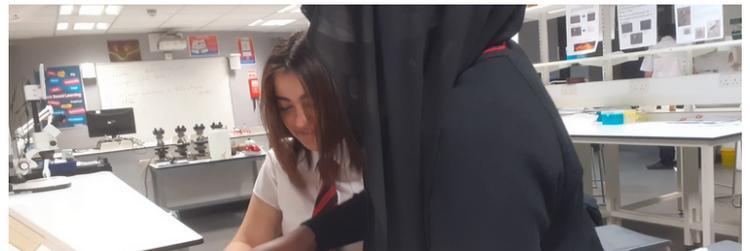
Definition: tending to keep a firm hold of something; clinging or adhering closely.
Usage: "a tenacious grip"

Zero Tolerance of Abuse - The NST has a zero-tolerance approach towards abusive language, violence, aggression or harassment towards our employees, governors and volunteers.



Degree Apprenticeships - Massive congratulations go to a number of our students who have secured Degree Apprenticeships. These are highly competitive destinations and offer a fantastic opportunity to students to earn whilst completing a funded degree. Well done to Owen who will be joining The Very Group as a Software Engineer Degree Apprentice, Mark who will be going to BAE Systems as a Software Engineer Degree Apprentice and Jordan who will be starting with Sellafield Ltd as a Project Manager Degree Apprentice. Congratulations also go to Hannah who will be joining the Wates Group as a Site Management Degree Apprentice and Joe who will also be starting with Sellafield Ltd as a Control, Electrical and Instrumentation Engineering Design Degree Apprentice.

Creatives - On Monday, year 13 visited Arcains were they have been commissioned to produce a mural. Today they viewed the space and collected images for inspiration.



UCAS Resources- There is an amazing directory of super-curricular opportunities for Sixth Form students to help them with greater depth understanding as well as to support the academic section in their UCAS personal statement. See more here- <https://tinyurl.com/yc69rhcu>

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Take Control of your Future
 Here's how to get started and choose the right path for you...

- 1 Create your student account by scanning the QR code on the right hand side of this poster, add your email address and then verify your account. If you already have a Springpod account, then login as normal.
- 2 Tell us about yourself so that we can personalise your experience. It's important that you select the correct institution name, so that your teachers can recognise your hard work!
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Please contact hello@springpod.com if you have any comments or issues.

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PBL - Year 10 have been prepare extracts from common foods to use to bioprospect for new antibiotics. This is a brilliant introduction to drug development and teaches excellent techniques.

DISCOVER POST 18 OPTIONS
 Free training for parents to help you support your teen with their choices beyond college

Virtual Work Experience - Go to www.springpod.com and click create account - [here](#). Apply now including this [experience](#) created for Liverpool. Virtual, flexible and very helpful for exploring future pathways!

FREE Discover Post 18 options webinar for parents, 23rd June, 8pm - This free online webinar for parents will introduce you to the variety of options around university, apprenticeships, and gap years. <https://mailchi.mp/31f8b74c49b7/discover-post-18-options>

History - Year 9 are studying how Hitler was able to come to power, Year 10 are studying life in Elizabethan society and how the theatre developed. Year 12 are focusing on anti Semitism in France.

Psychology - Year 10 completed their end of topic assessment on psychological problems and we now turn our attention to revision to ensure students are prepared for their end of year exam. Students will just sit Paper 1. This includes 4 topics: Memory, Perception, Development and Research Methods. In the next two weeks students will learn lots of revision strategies that will help them recall key information in the exam and will enhance their understanding of the topics and subject as a whole. There will be a key focus on improving literacy using subject specific terms in their answers which will boost outcomes. Year 12 students completed their end of topic assessment on psychopathology and move to study social influence. This is a fantastic topic where students learn about conformity, obedience, collective behaviour and pro social behaviour. Students will also be introduced to some more of the big pillars of research in this field including Solomon Asch and Stanley Milgram. An array of controversial research in this topic leads to great discussions, reflections and debate with a firm favourite among students being Zimbardo's infamous prison experiment. Once this topic is complete, students will have completed all the content for Paper 1 and Paper 2 which puts them in a great position when they return as year 13 students.

Maths - Maths homework is set on Sparx Maths every Monday, due the following Monday. We have a Homework Club each Thursday from 4pm-5pm where students are welcome to come and ask for help on their homework. All students in Ignite will sit an end of year exam on Mon Jun 26th. All Year 10 students will sit two papers for their Maths PPEs which begin Mon Jun 26th. For this reason, Maths homework on Sparx will not be compulsory the week before (w/b Mon June 19th). Instead, we will be giving all students a practice paper to take home. There will be a video on gClassroom of a Maths teacher completing this paper. Students are to complete this paper, and then mark it using the video. This way they will be able to work through any problems they were unable to complete or got wrong.