

Saint Ambrose College

Sixth Form Weekly Newsletter

Friday 5th September 2025



Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back Year 13 Parent/ Carers and a warm welcome to the Parent/Carers of the new Year 12.

For the uninitiated I write each week to update you on what industry our boys have been undertaking.

Before we packed the suitcases for our summer sojourn our Sixth Form boys completed a visit to Krakow and their Gold DOE expedition. In addition, Chiagozie M and JJ O travelled to the USA with the Sutton Trust to visit American Universities including Princeton and Duke. Chiagozie M met up with alumni Brian Chen (second Year at Princeton) to discuss life in one of the finest Universities in the world.

In the context of elite and prestigious Universities we are undertaking a trip to Oxford on the 19th September. A letter will be with you today so please reply ASAP if you would like your son to attend.

Today hanging pride of place outside the Sixth Form office is the class of 2024/25. Each year we erect the picture of our former Year 13 and wish them a fond farewell. This year group have had exceptional results with over 81% A*- B and 52% A*- A. Well done to all our boys and we have been celebrating their success with great fervour. We will miss them but wish them every success as they load up their parents/carers cars to travel the length and breadth of the country to attend their university of choice.

For our current Year 13 they need to remember that they had a slightly better GCSE outcome than last years Year 13 so therefore we expect even better final outcomes....no pressure!!

The accolade this year goes to the current Year 12 who surpassed all academic records and have entered the annals of College History as having achieved the most impressive set of GCSE results since records began. Congratulations to all and we are very proud of everyone's achievements.

It was so pleasing to see the boys out training during lunchtime today. We have a strong squad of 80 plus boys from year 11 to year 13. This year we have such strength in depth that there is no such thing as a 1st and 2nd XV but a senior 'elite squad' which will replace the concept of a 1st and 2nd team. Therefore, playing for any senior team should be held as a truly applaudable achievement. We look forward to our block fixture against Kirkham in which we will be playing three senior teams on Saturday 13th September. Your support would be most welcome.

Our sincerest thanks to Dr Sate and Miss Widolf who organised a fantastic return to school for the current Year 12 and Year 13. We have also welcomed 15 boys from outside the College. We hope they have a fantastic time at St Ambrose and partake and enjoy all that we offer.

The UCAS campaign for year 13 is increasing in intensity. The internal deadline for early entry is the 23rd September. This affords Mrs Scott and I the time to ensure that all is as it should be and our applications are in the best state of readiness.

The weather is due to be very pleasant this weekend maybe we can still adorn the shorts and T shirts and hope that we can rinse a few more days of summer this September.

I wish you and your family a very pleasant weekend.

Kind regards,

Stephen Brady

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