

Higher Education Timeline

This document gives an overall timetable of events and activities during the Sixth Form through to the commencement of post-18 choices. For most of our students, the Sixth Form is a stepping stone to Higher Education, and it is important that both they and their parents are aware of the various stages which will eventually lead to entry to university.

When	What	Who
10 th January	Students received Unifrog Account reminders.	Y12 Students
By 31 st January	Students to complete a Post 18 Aspiration Survey - first snapshot.	Y12 Students
2 nd February	Higher Education Evening.	
From Now	Create a UCAS Hub Account. Look for events and activities to help enhance your CV to match your aspirations. Use UNIFROG & UCAS HUB.	Y12 Students
Ongoing	Work Experience placement admin has started- on UNIFROG. Investigate Partner Programmes which can result in lower offer grades for courses (MAP, Newcastle Partners and many more).	Y12/Parents and Employers
4 th March 13:30-15:00	UCAS Discovery Event at Manchester Convention Centre. Students must register for the event. They can leave school at 12:20 to travel to the event.	Y12 Students
23 rd March	Cambridge Conference at Haydock Park Racecourse – This is a school trip for 30 students will be invited to attend, based on their aspirations and academic fit to Cambridge (there will be a cost for transport).	Y12 Students
30 th April (TBC)	AGSB 2026 Futures Fair – more details to follow	Y12 Students
5 th May	Oxbridge Evening -AGSB hosts an event from Senior Oxbridge Admissions Tutors.	Y12 and parents from AGSB and other schools
Mid-May Deadline 1 st June	Y12 Post 18 Aspiration Survey - second snapshot.	Y12 Students
Ongoing	You can also ask Mr Gallamore for a Careers interview if you need help with post 18 decisions, including Apprenticeship options.	Y12 Students
Deadline 4 th June	Finalise Work Experience Placement admin on UNIFROG.	Y12 students, Parents and Employers
May- July	Book Post-18 Open days – 2 per school year. Parents to send ARBOR app message through to request time off or email Mrs Jolly.	Y12 Students/Parents
May- July	Prepare for admissions tests. These need to be booked yourself with test centres.	Y12 Students/Parents

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May- July	<p>Try to come to a decision about a possible subject area in Higher Education. Check the content of courses – do not assume they are the same at all institutions – perhaps also contact the admissions tutors.</p> <p>Look for other events and activities to help enhance your CV to match your aspirations. Use UNIFROG & UCAS HUB.</p>	Y12 Students
June - date TBC	ACE lesson for all Y12 on Applications - including how to use APPLY 2025 and advice on the Personal Statement and CVs. AGSB UCAS APPLY 2026 Guide issued to parents and students.	Ms Hutchinson Mrs Hotchin
June - date TBC	APPLY 2026 advice for Medicine/Vet/Dentistry Applicants.	Dr Thomas
June	Performing Arts/ Music/ Art/ Gap Year/ Apprenticeships/Employment, other applications AND Study Abroad – see Mrs Hotchin to register your plans.	Y12 Students
June/July	Share information with your FORM TUTOR to support them in writing the introduction section of the UCAS Reference (this is also used for all other types of application).	Y12 Students and Form Tutors
Ongoing	Extend and update your CV if you are considering employment at 18.	Y12 Students
13 th July	Work Experience.	Y12 Students
Summer Holidays	<p>Continue to visit universities if necessary.</p> <p>Try to make some final decisions on course choices.</p> <p>Investigate Partner Programmes which can result in lower offer grades for course (MAP, Newcastle Partners and many more).</p> <p>References and feedback – gather feedback sheets from Work Experience, AGSB Volunteers and other activities – use your UNIFROG Locker and/or make copies and bring them to Mrs Hotchin/ Ms Hutchinson in September - without this information we cannot mention an activity in UCAS or Job references.</p>	Y12 Students
September ONWARDS Complete and pay for your application	Students/parents pay for their own UCAS application fee (fee TBC). Applicants will be presented with the option to pay online by credit or debit card. Students can also select the option of free school meals fee waiver, if applicable. Payment comes to school; it does not go directly to UCAS until the final send off.	Parents
14 th September Application Deadline	Those applying to Oxbridge or for Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Science courses must submit their applications to school by the end of Monday 14 th September at the latest, to give time for the reference to be finalised and for the processed application to reach UCAS by the official closing in October.	Y13 Students
NB	A UCAS application can be sent off with just 1 course choice. More can be added by the students up until the UCAS January deadline.	Y13 Students
September	<p>Ensure you've applied for any relevant aptitude tests.</p> <p>Book the time off school for the tests – on ARBOR or by email to Mrs Jolly.</p>	Y13 Students

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September/ October	AGSB team collate and finalise References	AGSB Staff
September/ October October 6pm (TBC)2026	<p>Early Deadline Applicants "SUBMIT and REVIEW" their application. This only goes to Ms Hutchinson/ Mrs Hotchin who checks through the form (any errors will be returned to the student for corrections).</p> <p>Ms Hutchinson completes a full application/ course choice check with students. The reference is added.</p> <p>The Student Attends a "SIGN OFF AND SEND" appointment and reads the REFERENCE.</p> <p>If all are happy – we then SEND the application off and it arrives at your course choices.</p> <p>Official closing date for all early entry deadline applications to be sent to UCAS</p>	Y13 students and the Sixth Form Team
October/Novem ber	<p>Aptitude Tests (UCAT, LNAT etc.) for some university courses. University admissions interviews begin for some applicants.</p> <p>Begin to apply for sponsorship if appropriate.</p> <p>Begin to apply for Level 6 Apprenticeships if appropriate.</p>	Y13 Students
Monday 16 th November Application Deadline	Monday 16 th November October is the deadline for submitting all remaining applications to School to enable us to meet the closing date for applications to reach UCAS.	Y13 Students
ONGOING	Students called for interview by ANY University or Employer or for Post Offer Open Days (for those students not sure which offers to accept) or post 18 should log the time off via ARBOR or with Mrs Jolly.	Y13 Students /Parents
ONGOING	<p>ALL Students can arrange a mock interview which could be for university entrance or to prepare students for Apprenticeship or Employment interviews.</p> <p>We have also established contacts outside of the school and mock interviews may take place at Loreto Grammar School or with other subject specific experts.</p>	Y13 Students
November/Dece mber	<p>All non-Early Applicants "SUBMIT and REVIEW" their application. This only goes to the Sixth Form team.</p> <p>Ms Hutchinson completes a full application/ course choice check with students. The reference is added.</p>	Y13 Students and the Sixth Form Team

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	The Student Attends a "SIGN OFF AND SEND" appointment and reads the REFERENCE. If all are happy – we then SEND the application off, and it arrives at your course choices.	
January 6pm (TBC) 2027	Official closing date for all non-early deadline university applications to be sent to UCAS. Students who have applied to less than 5 course choices can also add choices by this deadline. All course applications received by universities after this date will be regarded as late applications. Universities don't have to consider them but may do so for courses which are not over-subscribed.	Y13 Students
TBC June 2027	Post 18 session in ACE including Gap year options	
Spring (TBC)	UCAS. Extra service begins (ends mid-July) for those who have had no offers and allows students to add another choice from courses which still have places.	Y13 Students
November- May	Offers or rejections from universities will begin to come through to students via UCAS. You can monitor these using your UCAS account.	Y13 Students
March (TBC) onwards	Student Finance Applications can be completed on the Government website.	Y13 Students and Parents
A Level results Day (TBC)	Collection of results from school. Clearing opens for unsuccessful candidates. ALL students complete a "Destinations" form for Mrs Hotchin. At this stage they may indicate that they will be reapplying for UCAS or even applying for the first time (they are then our Year 14 students).	Y13 Students
YEAR 14	In recent years 20% of Students did not go straight to a Higher Education Course. As a team we give support to this group of students. Some students also change their aspirations and may decide to apply for the first time, or even to reapply for a different course. Dr Marsden and Mrs Hotchin work with these students. The school supplies a reference, gives help for the whole UCAS and finance process, following the same deadlines as above for Year 13. Students must contact Mrs Hotchin as soon as possible if this applies to them.	Students