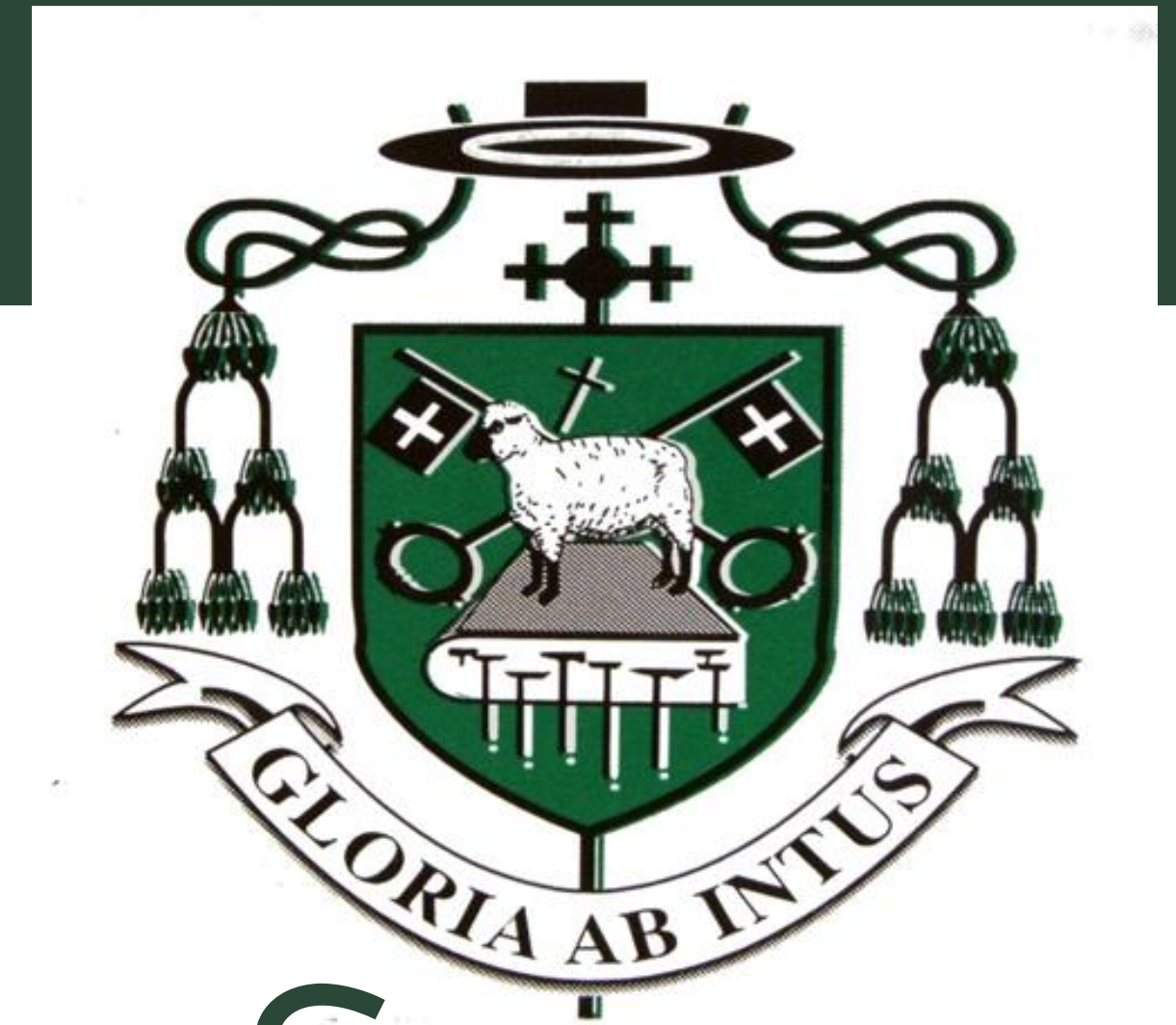


Tuesday 29th August 2023



Year 14 Parent Information Session



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What happened in 2022-23?

- Public examinations
- Candidates were provided with **Advance Information**
 - to help support students' preparation and revision
 - to provide focus for the examination papers
- Full AS content and skills were taught

Plans for 2023-24

- Return to a full (pre-pandemic) examination timetable
- AS outcomes from 2023 will contribute to the overall A Level award in 2024



2023-2026



School
Development
Plan

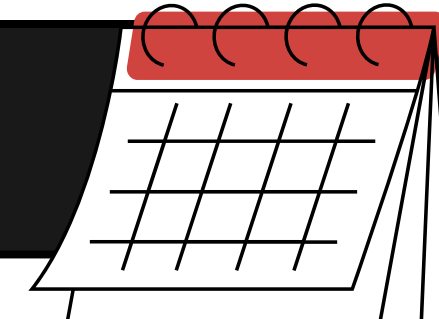
1a Raising Standards through High Quality Teaching & Learning

1b Raising Standards through High Quality Pastoral Care

2 Curricular and Extra-curricular Development to include Collaboration and CEAIG

3a Building Capacity through Accommodation and Resources Investment

Year 14 Calendar 2023-24



September

- Target setting
- University Open Days
- Focus on UCAS forms

October

- Reference Interviews
- Completion of UCAS forms
- Assessments

November

- Parent Teacher Meeting
- Interim Report 1

December

- CAO applications
- Assessments - Mock A2 Examinations

January

- Full Report (Targets vs Performance, with comments for improvement)

February

- Further UCAS offers
- University interviews

March

- Final deadline for coursework
- Assessments
- Interim Report 2

April

- A2 courses and coursework completed
- Revision courses and programmes

May

- CF/CI decision
- Leavers' Mass
- A2 Examinations begin

June

- A2 Examinations

August

- A Level Results

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**Don't put off
until tomorrow
what you can do today.**

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN



NEED TO TALK



Mrs. McCusker
Designated Teacher for
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Mr. Douglas
SENCO / Deputy
Designated Teacher KS4



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Deputy Designated
Teacher KS3



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Teacher



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How will St. Malachy's College support your son?

- Challenges facing Sixth Form students
- Subject assessments
- Crollly Study
- Mentoring
- Counselling service available
- Pastoral/Enrichment Programme



EMA

- Aged 16-19 years old
- Means tested
- £30 per week - paid fortnightly
- Available for academic and vocational courses
- £100 bonus - January and June (on completion of the criteria outlined in the Learning Agreement)
- School administrator - Mrs McAlister

- <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/how-apply-education-maintenance-allowance>



Crollly Study

Effective use of study periods



Open

Monday-Thursday until 6.45pm
Saturday: 8.30am- 12noon

A2

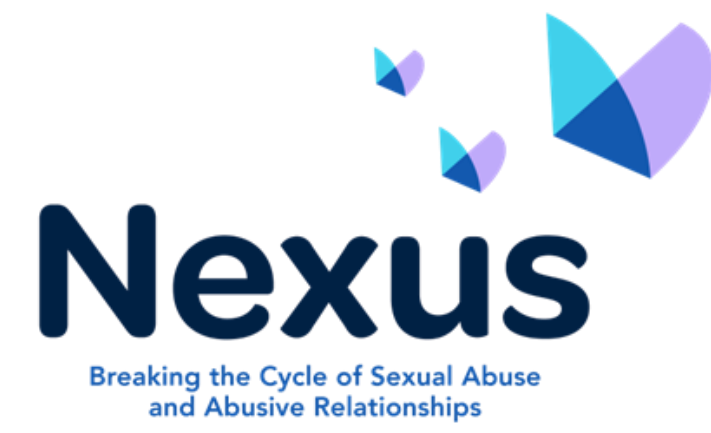


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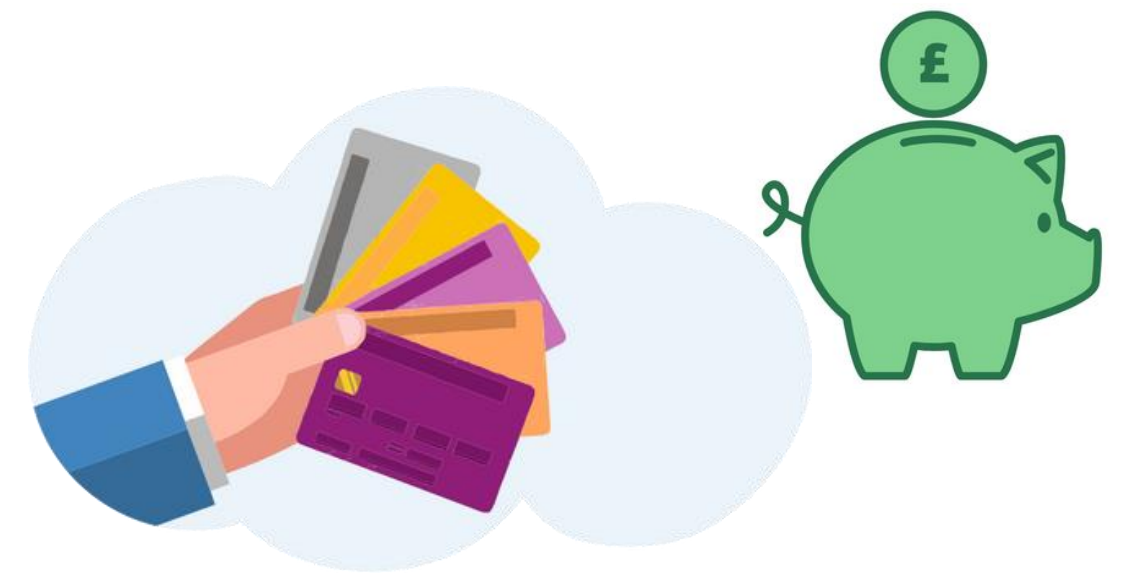


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Year 14 Pastoral/Enrichment Programme 2023-24



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Uniform Regulations

- Hair of appropriate style
- No facial hair
- Black socks
- No coloured belts
- No piercings/ jewellery



Housekeeping

- Ambassadors and role models
- Study routine
- Homework
- Punctuality
- Signing in and out
- Attendance
- Car parking
- Ownership and accountability



School policies

All policies will be sent out via Parent App and available on the College website

Child Protection Policy



Drugs and Alcohol Policy



Pupil Attendance & Punctuality Policy



Positive Behaviour Policy



Anti-Bullying Policy





Child Protection Policy



- Details of the safeguarding team are displayed around the College and are included in the HW Diaries.
- Information on how to report a concern is contained within the policy.

DESIGNATED TEACHER:
Mrs D McCusker (Vice-Principal)

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Counselling Service



- College Counselling Service is provided by an external agency - Familyworks.
- Confidential Service is available Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Boys/Parents can speak to their tutor or another staff member for a referral.
- If a parents is requesting an appointment for your son - please ensure your son is in agreement with this and wishes to attend.



Positive Behaviour Policy



- A system of reward and stepped consequences.
- Appendices summarise our Behaviour Management Chart, Stepped Consequences, and Positive Behaviour Chart (HW diaries).
- Merits and demerits will be communicated through ParentApp.
- App uses two colours - red and green (we can't change this).
- Some information will show as red (e.g. a visit to Matron). This doesn't mean it's a demerit.
- Other interventions:
 - "Red Flag Discussion" means that a teacher has had a conversation with your son regarding work/behaviour (not a demerit).
 - "Mentoring" intervention means that a staff member has had a pastoral conversation with your son.

	Behaviour	Consequences
PRINCIPAL Policy and Strategy Overview	• Serious behavioural incidents - Referred by VP	• Interview with parent/carer • Suspension • Expulsion (Board of Governors)
VICE PRINCIPAL Policy, Strategy, Support, Interventions, External Agencies	• <85% Attendance • 10+ Lates • Serious behavioural incidents • Persistent infringements of rules • Smoking (second offence) • Physical violence	• Meeting with parent/carer • EHA boxes for 6th Form students denied • Suspension • Internal suspension • Extended Saturday DT • Withdrawal from class • Links to appropriate external agencies • Referral to SWO
HEAD OF SCHOOL Support, Interventions	• <90% Attendance • 7 Lates • 15 - 20 Demerits • Major behavioural incidents • Smoking (first offence)	• Parental Review Meeting • HOD DT (8.30 - 11.30am Sat) (May be extended) • HOS Report • HOS DT (8.30 - 11.30am Sat) - Education programme • Internal suspension
HEAD OF YEAR Support, Interventions	• <95% Attendance (where attendance has not improved after intervention from FT) • 10 Demerits • Behavioural incidents	• Attendance Plan + HCY DT (if appropriate) • HCY Report • HCY DT (3.30 - 5pm Fri) • HCY Saturday DT (8.30 - 11.30am) • Environmental duty
FORM TUTOR Support, Interventions	• <95% Attendance • 5 Demerits • 3 Lates	• Red Flag Discussion + Targets set • Red Flag Discussion + Tutor DT • Referred to HW club if required • Form Tutor Report
HEAD OF DEPARTMENT / SUBJECT TEACHER Support / Interventions	• In liaison with HOD will deal with HW/Equipment and behavioural demerits within subject.	• Subject DT • Subject Report



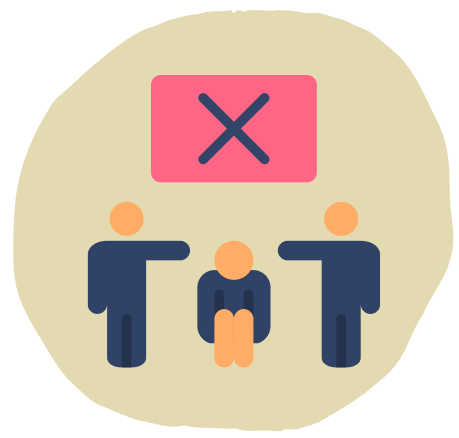
Positive Behaviour Policy



- Aim of ParentApp communication: You can see your son's achievements and are aware of any issues he may need to address regarding work and behaviour.
- Opportunity to talk to your son and support him with any issues arising.
- FT and HOY will contact you if demerits are accumulating.
- CTs are not available to discuss/justify demerits.

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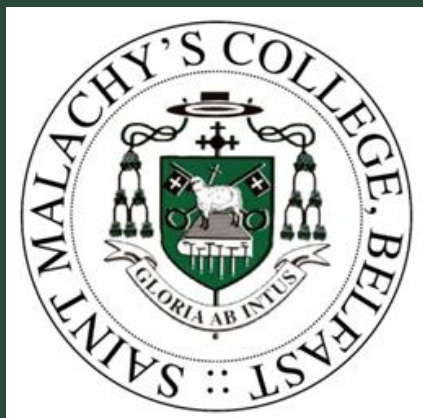
“St Malachy’s College has a “zero tolerance” approach to physical violence and all parties involved in such instances will be issued with a suspension.”



Anti-Bullying Policy



- Developed in line with *The Addressing Bullying In Schools Act (Northern Ireland) (2016)*.
- Booklet designed by students in homework diaries.
- Students have a responsibility to respect the rights of every other individual in the College. Students must treat all others with respect and must not engage in bullying behaviour.
- Students must not use any derogatory language in relation to disability, race, gender, or sexual orientation.



Drugs and Alcohol Policy



Vast majority of our boys comply with College Rules.

Within our Positive Behaviour and Drug Education Policies, we have clear sanctions for smoking (including use of e-cigarettes).

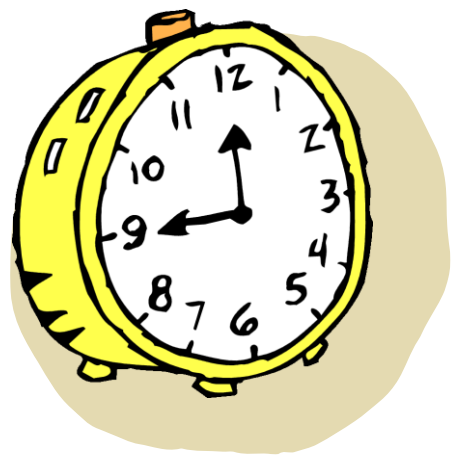
- The College forbids a pupil from: Smoking, including the use of electronic cigarettes or bringing cigarettes onto site.
- Dealt with through the College Positive Behaviour and Stepped Consequences.
- Vaping or possession of a vape will incur sanctions. For a first offence, this will be a Saturday Detention. Further infringements will lead to more serious sanctions.
- If your son is with a group of boys who are vaping, he may be issued with a sanction even if he is not vaping or in possession of a vape at the time.



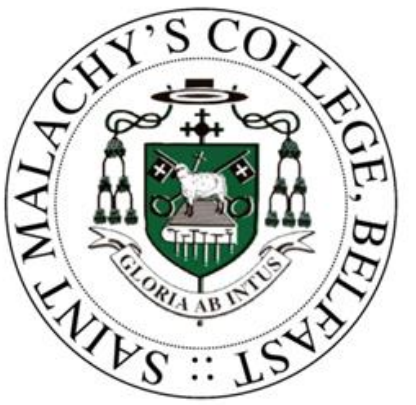
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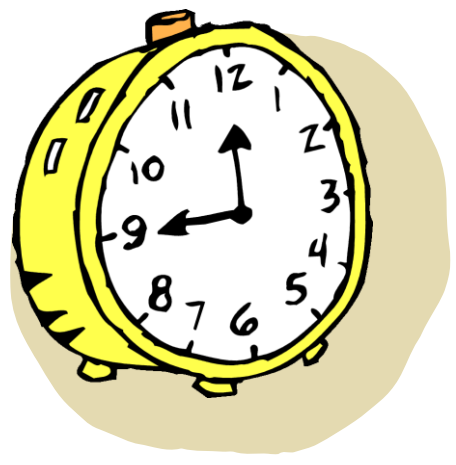
- Electronic cigarette liquid refill bottles are also forbidden. There is a potential risk that refillable cartridges used in some electronic cigarettes could be filled with substances other than nicotine, serving as a new and potentially dangerous way to deliver drugs. Any instances involving potential use of or possession of drugs will be referred to the PSNI.
- Our Drug Education Policy states that:
 - Possession of and/or taking controlled or illegal substances
 - Possession of with intent to supply or supply of controlled substances
- will be dealt with through the Suspensions and Expulsions Policy and will lead to Expulsion.



Pupil Attendance and Punctuality Policy



- Parent's responsibility to inform the College of the reason for a pupil's absence on the first day of absence. This should be confirmed with a written note/email when the pupil returns to school. If the absence is likely to be prolonged - please inform the College.
- Return to school following an injury where crutches are required or mobility is hindered - an appointment must be made with the College Matron or the KS5 Learning Mentor so that a risk assessment can be conducted and support mechanisms enacted.



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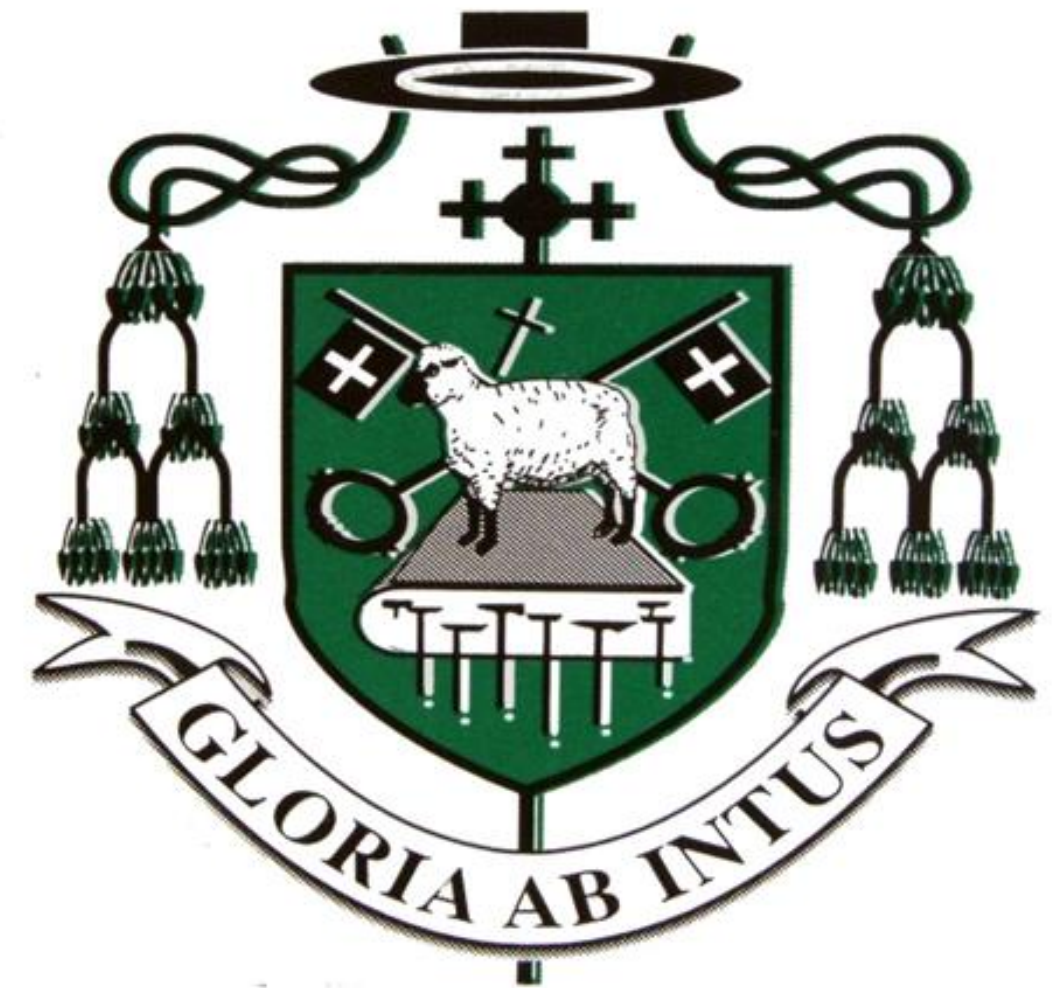
- Pupils are expected to be in school for registration punctually. Lateness is recorded at registration and on each pupil's attendance record.
- Pupils should attend all timetabled classes.
- If a pupil appears reluctant to attend school, parents/carers should discuss the matter promptly with the Form Tutor or Head of Year to ensure both parents/carers and the pupil receive maximum support.
- EMA - Mrs McAlister oversees

Communication

- Text & email
- Website :
www.stmalachyscollege.com
- Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)
- Letters (post or school bag)



- ParentApp
 - Update your contact details
 - Monitor son's attendance
 - Merits/demerits
 - Timetable
 - Calendar
 - Receive notifications
 - College events



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- ✓ UCAS
- ✓ Application Procedures
- ✓ Unifrog
- ✓ Open Days



University Open Days

University Roadshow





Digital Alumni Conference



Cambridge University

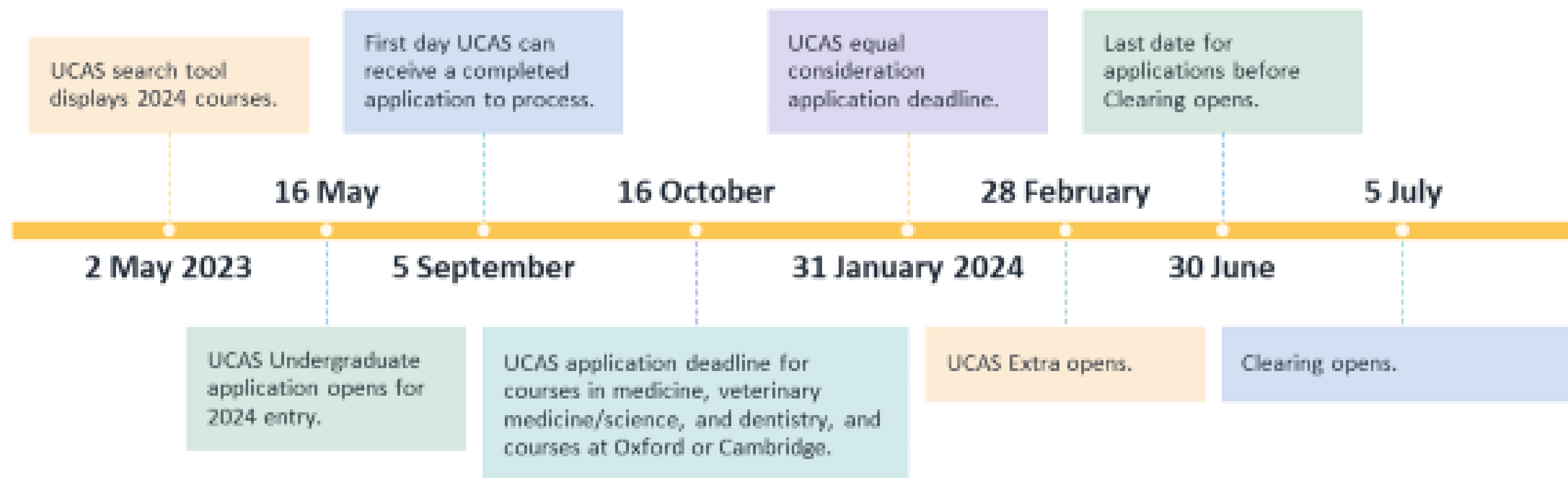


UCAS

Universities and Colleges Admissions Service - www.ucas.com

- Responsible for managing applications to higher education courses in the UK.
- Processes more than two million applications for full-time undergraduate courses every year
- Provides online tools for students and higher education institutions to manage applications and offers
- Helps students to find the right course and explore options - gap years, apprenticeships, studying abroad, studying at a conservatoire. employment.

When to apply for 2024 entry





The Application Form

- ✓ Student details
- ✓ Qualifications
- ✓ GCSE results
- ✓ AS level results
- ✓ A levels being studied
- ✓ Other qualifications

- Course Choices - Maximum of 5
- UCAS Payment - £27.50 (Oct 2 2023)
- Personal Statement
- School References

Early Applicant Completion - 6 October 2023

All Other Year 14 Applicants - 17 October 2023

- Students will be given further guidance during their Enrichment on UCAS deadlines.

Planning is key - September Targets

- Week 1/2 - **Unifrog Registration** - Course research and making informed decisions.
- Check your course choices are realistic - speak to subject teachers about your target grades and check the current entry requirements.
 - Week 3/4 - Completion of Personal Statement
 - Unifrog Personal Statement Guidance - Check your personal statement reflects the guidance available.

Helping students find their future

We bring all the available information into one comprehensive, user-friendly platform that helps students make the best choices, and submit the strongest applications.

We empower teachers and counselors to manage progression effectively.

We partner with universities and employers to further support students to be successful.





The Application Form

UCAS then sends completed applications to universities which could potentially lead to further:

- Interviews
 - Questionnaires
 - Samples of work
 - Additional exams - BMAT, LNAT, UCAT etc.
- ❖ PUPILS MUST REGULARLY CHECK YOUR EMAIL AND UCAS ACCOUNT FOR COMMUNICATION FROM UNIVERSITIES AND MUST RESPOND PROMPTLY BY DATE PROVIDED.

Upcoming Events / Open Days

Date	Events / Open Days
Friday 8 Sept	Ulster University Open Day - Belfast Campus
Saturday 9 Sept	QUB Open Day
Wednesday 13 Sept	St Mary's UC Open Day
Thursday 14 Sept	Ulster University Open Day – Magee Campus
Friday 15 Sept	LJMU – Personal Statement
Thurs 21 Sept	QUB Talk/Personal Statement
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