

Dates for your Diary:

6th Oct: Y13 UCAS Personal Statement Writing Workshop

10th Oct: Y12 Business Trip to The Great Barn, Sarratt

11th Oct: Discover London Trip for Year 10 and Y12s, organised by Y13 Travel & Tourism Students. Wear comfortable shoes and remember your Oyster card/travel money!

16th—20th Oct: Intervention Week: Y11 & Y13 students in targeted revision sessions (timetable has been emailed to you separately) No school for Y10 and Y12

Apologies if you have been experiencing issues with our payment system **sQuid**. If you are still unable to register, or encounter any problem, please contact them directly at:

customerservice@squidcard.com

Request: the English Department would greatly appreciate donations of any teen books, fiction or non-fiction for their collection. Thank you!

Absence and Illness Reminder:

If a student will not be in school for any reason, a **parent or listed priority contact** must contact reception on 01923 905240 or email admin@watfordutc.org

If a student is feeling unwell or is injured in school they must report to reception and see a first aider who will contact parents if necessary.

19th Oct: Y11 & Y13 Student Reflection Surgery, please book your slot [via the website](#).

23rd—27th Oct: Half Term

31st Oct: Y12 Brighthouse CV Masterclass

1st—6th Nov: GCSE English and Maths Re-sit Exams, more info to follow.

Fridays: Remember, students finish at 3pm on Fridays, but can earn the right to leave early based on punctuality, completing all set work and good behaviour. Finishing times are emailed out on Thursday mornings, so make sure you/your child checks their finishing time each week!



Y13 Physics Trip, CERN 2017

[Click to view more on our Facebook page](#)



Y10 THEM working with Jurys Inn Managers on the launch of an ongoing Customer Services Masterclass Programme

We post WUTC updates and other interesting articles on the latest in education on our social media pages! Click the links below to follow us.



Reminder:

The Watford UTC is a

No Chewing Gum Zone



If you have not yet completed a **Medical Consent Form** for this academic year, please do so as soon as possible. It has been emailed to parents before Summer and at the start of term, or you can collect a paper copy from reception.

The Scholars Club Graduation:

Congratulations to Caitlyn, Aliysha, Nathan, Kaveesha, Madison, Liam, Laurajane, Kieron and Marcus on the successful completion of their Scholars Programme assignments: after their hard work they graduated at a ceremony at Royal Holloway University.



Physics Trip to Switzerland:

Our Y13 Physicists visited CERN (Conseil Européen pour la Recherche Nucléaire) and got a closer look at the world's largest and most complex scientific instruments used to study the basic constituents of matter. They also visited the United Nations Offices, the beautiful Geneva Botanical Gardens and sampled the local cuisine.

VIY Allotment Project with Wickes:

Students teamed up with Wickes and the Volunteer It Yourself Project to renovate our Wellbeing Greenspace allotment. Thanks to Kieran, Grace, Kierad, Joe, Archie, Jack, Louis and Monika's hard work over two days, the allotment now has a brand new shed, a pathway and the soil has been prepared for planting. Students can get involved on the allotment during Wellbeing, please speak to Ellie or Kim if you would like to change your well-being option.



Guest Speakers at the Watford UTC:

Last week BBC Breakfast's **Naga Munchetty** came in for a Q&A with about her career as a journalist, even giving individual advice to students on their own career aspirations. Maths writer **Alex Bellos** gave an interactive Mathematics masterclass and quizzed our Maths Students, along with others from local schools, with puzzles from his book *Alex's Adventures in Numberland*.



We have recently welcomed some special guests to the Watford UTC: **Will Hobhouse**, High Sheriff of Hertfordshire, who toured the school and met with students in full regalia, including ceremonial sword! Last year some of our THEM students assisted with the running of his High Sheriff's Tea Event his home in Sarratt.

We also hosted **Lord Baker**, co-founder of the Baker Dearing Trust which established UTC's, who is pictured here with Tom Lish (Y13) and his Junior Commonwealth Games Gold medal for Judo that he won this summer in the Bahamas. Lord Baker's previous visit to the UTC was for our Official Opening in Summer 2016.