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## February 2020 School Calendar Announcements

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020** – Year 13 and 14 parent/teacher consultations from 1.20 to 3.25pm. School will close at 12.40pm for all pupils. There will be alternative timetable arrangements and all pupils will need to have their books etc for ALL 5 periods.

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020** – School finishes for Mid Term break at 3.25pm. School reopens on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February on a **WEEK 2 TIMTABLE**.

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020** – Year 11 parent/teacher consultations. from 1.20 to 3.25pm. School will close at 12.40pm for all pupils. There will be alternative timetable arrangements and all pupils will need to have their books etc for ALL 5 periods.



Two of our pupils, Poppy Walker and Anna Watson, are part of a group of young people from the Carrickfergus area who will embark on an exciting exchange trip to Kentucky this summer as part of a Sister Cities partnership. In July, nine young people between the ages of 14 and 19 will spend time with families in Danville USA, before travelling home to Carrickfergus and

hosting nine young people from Danville in an exchange project. The local teenagers are all members of UPLIFT Performing Arts Community Youth Group and have been busy fundraising for the cost of their trip.

Thanks to everyone who made the open night such a success – we hope everyone enjoyed their visit and look forward to meeting our new pupils.



**HIGHER LEVEL DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP**

If you're interested in finding out about a Degree Apprenticeship (HLA), come along to our Apprenticeship Showcase Event.

**Jordanstown Campus**  
Thursday 6 February  
6.00 pm

At this event, you can find out more about our Higher Level Degree Apprenticeships (levels 6 and 7) in priority skills areas. You can talk to our academic staff about the courses and meet with prospective employers about the opportunities as an apprentice. You can gain insights from current apprenticeship students and graduates and hear about their own experiences and career path.

Register Now:  
[www.ulster.ac.uk/events/recruitment/2020/higher-level-apprenticeship-event](http://www.ulster.ac.uk/events/recruitment/2020/higher-level-apprenticeship-event)

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## Past Pupil Success

Many congratulations to former pupil, Josh Boyd, who has been nominated as the PwC UK representative for the title of School Leaver of the Year awarded by 'AllAboutSchoolLeavers'. This follows Josh's successful participation in the WorldSkills Accounting Technician competition where he was a member of the winning PwC team of four. Josh studied A-level Accounting in school, achieving an A grade, and chose to join the popular PwC apprenticeship programme in favour of going to university. Fast forward 2 years and Josh has completed his first professional qualification – the 2 year CFAB course - and has now started on his ACA contract, working towards his first set of professional exams on the way to becoming a fully qualified chartered accountant. Josh's progress has been recognised by PwC, he has been lead tutor on the 8-day bookkeeping course for new joiners and is also now the most senior member of the Financial Decisions and Analysis modelling team in Belfast, responsible for a team of 5. It's not 'all work and no play' though as Josh sits on the Transaction Services Social Committee, organising 'extra-curricular' activities. Many congratulations, Josh and best wishes for the upcoming exams!!





### London Trip

Technology A Level students had a fantastic trip to London. They visited the Design Museum and took part in an excellent Design Process Workshop. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed their trip.



### CAREERS EVENTS

Date	Event	Year Group	Time	Location	Contact Teacher/ Further Information
29th January	Stranmillis University College Open Day	13	10am-2pm	Stranmillis	<a href="https://www.stran.ac.uk/stran_events/open-day-2020/">https://www.stran.ac.uk/stran_events/open-day-2020/</a>
1st February	Queen's EPS Applicant Day	14 (Offer Holders)	12.30-5pm (Tours from 10am)	Queens	
1st February	CAO Normal Application Closing Date	14	5.15pm		
5th February	Belfast Met Information Session & Advice Day	12, 13 & 14	4pm-7pm(Includes quiet hour 3-4pm)	Titanic Quarter Campus	<a href="http://www.belfastmet.ac.uk">www.belfastmet.ac.uk</a>
3rd February	Northern Regional College Open Day: Coleraine Campus	12, 13 & 14	4pm-8pm (Presentations providing an overview of the courses/ services at 5pm & 7pm)	Coleraine	<a href="http://www.nrc.ac.uk">www.nrc.ac.uk</a>
4th February	Northern Regional College Open Day: Magherafelt Campus	12, 13 & 14	4pm-8pm (Presentations providing an overview of the courses/ services at 5pm & 7pm)	Magherafelt	<a href="http://www.nrc.ac.uk">www.nrc.ac.uk</a>
5th February	Northern Regional College Open Day: Ballymena Campus	12, 13 & 14	4pm-8pm (Presentations providing an overview of the courses/ services at 5pm & 7pm)	Ballymena	<a href="http://www.nrc.ac.uk">www.nrc.ac.uk</a>
5th February	Northern Regional College Open Day: Newtownabbey Campus	12, 13 & 14	4pm-8pm (Presentations providing an overview of the courses/ services at 5pm & 7pm)	Newtownabbey	<a href="http://www.nrc.ac.uk">www.nrc.ac.uk</a>
6th February	Northern Regional College Open Day: Ballymoney Campus	12, 13 & 14	4pm-8pm (Presentations providing an overview of the courses/ services at 5pm & 7pm)	Ballymoney	<a href="http://www.nrc.ac.uk">www.nrc.ac.uk</a>
8th February	NRC - All Campuses	12, 13 & 14	10am-1pm	All sites	<a href="http://www.nrc.ac.uk">www.nrc.ac.uk</a>
11th February	Belfast Bible College	13 & 14	10-12 Noon		<a href="http://www.biblecollege.com">www.biblecollege.com</a>
13th February	Scottish Universities' Tour Group (Aberdeen, Dundee, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Heriot Watt, Stirling and Strathclyde)	13	9am-10am	Lecture Theatre	Please sign up with Mrs Barry asap
16th February	Ulster University: Coleraine Campus - Geography & Environmental Science	14	12-3pm	Diamond Hall, Coleraine	<a href="http://www.ulster.ac.uk/information-events">www.ulster.ac.uk/information-events</a>

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PROSPECTUS 2020-2021

The Prospectus for 2020-2021 is now available on our website – <https://www.carrickfergusgrammar.com/prospectus>