



**SANDWELL
COLLEGE**

Central
Saint Michael's
Sixth Form

cadbury sixth
form college

STUDENT NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2026

WELCOME TO YOUR STUDENT NEWSLETTER!

A warm welcome to the Sandwell Colleges, this is your monthly student newsletter where you can find out what's happening throughout the college, Student Union updates and upcoming events.

JOIN THE STUDENT UNION

★ **CHOOSE YOUR ROLE**
FROM PRESIDENT TO MARKETING OFFICER

★ **HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD
AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

★ **MEET NEW PEOPLE AND
JOIN A COMMUNITY**

★ **GET INVOLVED IN COLLEGE
EVENTS AND CLUBS**

★ **OPEN THE DOOR TO
NEW OPPORTUNITIES**

★ **LOOKS GREAT ON YOUR CV!**

READY TO GET INVOLVED?



**SCAN
HERE
FOR THE
NOMINATION
PACK**



**HAND IN YOUR
COMPLETED
FORMS AT
UG/40**



APPLICATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

Cadbury Students - please email ausly.akedika@sandwell.ac.uk



A RECAP OF JUNE



CadFest

The final month of the academic year was a busy one! With the Cadbury Student Union kicking off the end of year celebrations, hosting a festival style sports day. The competition was fierce with teams competing in a range of events such as tug of war, egg and spoon race, dodgeball and a 100m sprint finish. Students could also participate in a range of inflatable games and activities to keep the competitive spirit alive as well as a range of burgers, hot dogs and ice creams to enjoy. The day was a great success with the weather on side, a big well done to all involved, we look forward to hosting more events this academic year.



One World

Sandwell College's annual One World celebration came back with a bang! Celebrating and showcasing different cultures, diversities and groups from around the world. The event featured a range of stalls and activities ran by our internal departments and outside organisations, as well as live performances by students and guests and of course 'Flavour Street' with a variety of cuisines on offer lovingly made by staff volunteers. The event brought together staff and students from our different communities and really emphasised why it is so important to celebrate diversity and what we can achieve when we all come together. A huge well done to all involved and keep an eye out for more cultural events throughout the year.



A CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE

The end of the college year was marked and commemorated with the Celebrating of our Excellence Awards, honouring outstanding learner achievement across all sites/campuses.

This special evening shone its spotlight on learners who embody the college values and have inspired others. We celebrated those who have not only excelled academically but have also uplifted their peers and contributed to their communities. A delicious three course meal was served alongside performances from Sandwell's talented Performing Arts students, and the event was not only hosted by our Vice Principal Emma

Brannen but also our brave students from the Student Union! Congratulations to the outstanding winners and nominees, it was truly an inspiring and unforgettable evening.



The awards didn't stop there as it was a proud moment for The Sandwell Colleges community as Public Services student and Student Union's Campus Officer, Reice James was formally presented with his Young Active Citizen Award by the Lord-Lieutenant of the West Midlands, Derrick Anderson CBE. Reice was nominated for the 15 to 18 award category for his sustained commitment to community service, youth leadership and civic engagement both in and out of the college. A big congratulations to Reice for his well-deserved award. It is important that we recognise the hard work and achievements of our young people.





CAREERS TEAM'S UCAS PROGRAMME



YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE

EVERYTHING YOU NEED FOR A SUCCESSFUL

UCAS APPLICATION



HELPING YOU
APPLY WITH
CONFIDENCE.



SUPPORTING YOU
EVERY STEP OF YOUR
UNIVERSITY JOURNEY.



FROM UCAS SETUP TO
PERSONAL STATEMENTS—
WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED.



ALL WELCOME
STUDENTS, PARENTS
& CARERS



EVENTS HAPPENING ACROSS THE COLLEGE



**W/C
28TH
SEPT**

UCAS HUB TALKS – CLASSROOMS

Tutorials will be booked on across sites to support students with setting up their UCAS Hub accounts ready to apply for UCAS.

**ALL
WEEK**



**W/C
19TH
OCT**

PERSONAL STATEMENT TALKS – EACH SITE

Tutors across sites will book their groups in to have a University deliver a talk on how to write and structure their personal statement.

**ALL
DAY**



**OCT 7TH
OCT 8TH
OCT 21ST**

HE FAIRS AT THREE SITES – SPORTS HALLS

There are 3 HE Fairs happening across the three sites. October the 7th at Cadbury, 8th at CSM and 21st at Sandwell.

**MEET
OVER 30
UNIVERSITIES!**



**NOV –
JAN**

PERSONAL STATEMENT 1-1'S

There will be the opportunity for students to book in with Universities to have their personal statements checked and get expert feedback.

**ALL
DAY**



Booking spreadsheets will be sent out to teachers.
For more info contact careers on
careers@sandwell.ac.uk

**PLAN TODAY,
ACHIEVE
TOMORROW**

YOUR JOURNEY. YOUR FUTURE.



COMING UP THIS TERM...



FRESHERS FAIR

- ★ Central Saint Michael's - 9th September
- ★ Sandwell Campus - 16th September
- ★ Cadbury Campus - 17th September

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Talks, exhibitions and celebrations throughout October

ALTON TOWERS TRIP

Student Union's trip to Alton Towers Scarefest - late October

HIGHER EDUCATION FAIR

- ★ Cadbury Campus - 7th October
- ★ Central Saint Michael's - 8th October
- ★ Sandwell Campus - 21st October

BURSARY DEADLINE

Make sure to check if you are eligible for bursary and apply before the deadline on Friday 13th November

OUR TERM TOP TIP

Keep on top of attendance to secure a place on the free rewards trip!



MEET THE STUDENT LIAISON TEAM

Hi, we're your Student Liaison Team, here to help you make the most of your time at the Sandwell Colleges!

We work as part of the Student Union and offer a range of sports, clubs, trips, events and many opportunities to get involved in. Whether you're looking to join a sports team, need help with college life or want to know more about our services, then don't hesitate to reach out.

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