



# THE LOOKING GLASS

## University Of The Term

Durham University- Russel Group

Distance from Headlands:

91 Miles Away

Accommodation Price:

£4500 - £9000

NSS Ranking: 90<sup>th</sup>

Student Satisfaction: 87%

Website: <https://www.dur.ac.uk/>



## Mock Exams Update

As you may know, the Year 11 and Year 13 students have mock exams coming up after the Easter Holidays. We have dedicated this section to highlight some essential revision tips from our students and ways to keep calm and enjoy revising:

- Condense your notes to focus on the key aspects which branch out.
- Plan ahead, think about what subjects you have more time to prepare for.
- Look at how questions have been given previously to see how you would answer them.
- KEEP CALM!!!

## What's been going on in the World?

### **Largest asteroid passed earth this year**

According to NASA, an asteroid between 1,300 to 2,300 ft passed earth at a safe distance last Sunday. The giant rock, also known as 2011 FO32 approached earth at a speed of 124,000 kph and a distance of roughly 2,000,000 km. According to the Director of the CNEOS, Paul Chodas, the asteroid was “discovered 20 years ago and has been tracked ever since.”

### **Buckingham Palace is launching a diversity review**

After Oprah's interview with Prince Harry and Meghan, the Palace will look to improve the diversity policies across all the royal households. The topic of race was described as “concerning” by Buckingham Palace and that it will be “taken very seriously and will be addressed by the family privately.” A ‘diversity chief’ is being considered to regulate and ensure that a correct approach will collaborate with people from minority backgrounds, disabled people and the gay and transgender community.

## What's Happened this Term?



Our students at Headlands school and Sixth form have made an excellent effort to keep up with the online-learning facilities accessible to them over the lockdown period. At last, it has been a great pleasure to finally welcome our students face-to-face rather than through a screen. Despite the shake-up, our Sixth form students have settled well into our new teams: Team Hermann and Team Jones, with the aim to compete through challenges throughout the remainder of the year at a safe distance. Students will be able to get their hands on the team trophy and, of course, will be granted bragging rights! As you can see above, the sun was very kind to us on Wednesday, allowing our students to enjoy a game of kick rounders. However, the real question is: which team will be victorious in taking the cup? Keep up with the progress in our next issue of The Looking Glass.

## Need Help and Support?

Remember, we have an open door policy at Headlands Sixth Form.

If you need help, support and guidance don't hesitate to go and speak to staff. Alternatively you can always email.

### **Mr Cooke**

Ben.cooke@headlandsschool.co.uk

### **Miss Mulligan**

Lauren.mulligan@headlandsschool.co.uk

### **Mrs Dixon**

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## Covid-19 Testing

We would like to thank all of the students that have taken part in the lateral-flow testing since returning to the Sixth form. These students have now been given multiple tests to take home with them, ensuring that our Sixth form remains as safe as possible, containing the spread of the virus. Thank you and stay safe!

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## EXAMS UPDATE!

Since the last issue, we now have more of an idea of how teacher assessed grades will work. All the Headlands school and Sixth form staff want the very best for students and will ensure that appropriate procedures take place to grade students fairly and accurately. For further information, please refer to Mrs Stamford's email that was sent to parents and careers before returning to School. Meanwhile, the Year 13 results day has been pushed forward to the 10th August 2021. This allows more time for students to appeal their grades if they feel necessary. If the latter procedure is carried out, students will need to showcase more evidence for a grade review. With all of this in mind, it is vital to try your best in the upcoming mocks, as these will be used as a final piece of substantial evidence to show off your knowledge. If you have not yet seen the exam timetable, you can find an updated version in the study center. All Sixth form students should have been issued a physical copy of their exam times, so if you haven't already, please see Mr Cooke, Miss Mulligan or Miss Dixon.



## University Essentials

There are many things Year 13 students need to do to prepare for University. This section highlights some of the important elements you need to think about during the transition from Headlands to University.

- Apply for accommodation early - Most accommodation sites work closely with the university so once you firm/insure your offer, you can apply for whichever accommodation you wish to live in. Budgeting is very important at this stage so if you are struggling to work out what price range is appropriate for you then please speak to Mr Cooke.
- Look at bursaries or grants - These can financially support your studies at university. If you have a form of disability or come from specific backgrounds you may be eligible for these. Each university is different so do your research.
- Apply for student finance - Student finance is a key aspect of university life. This covers your tuition fees, and your living costs based on your household income. You can apply for student finance through the government website.
- Open a student bank account – This is a great way to budget for University, with most accounts giving special offers and incentives, such as free rail cards and resource-subscriptions. However, be careful when looking at these as you need to consider the different overdraft limits which will most benefit your living. All of these are 0% interest while studying.

## Sudoku Street

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1				8				
			9	2	3			
3	8							
				9	2		6	3
							9	
7	1		6					
8							4	5
9				7				8

Solution:

8	1	9	5	7	2	4	3	6
5	4	2	7	5	1	8	3	6
7	1	5	6	4	8	3	2	9
2	6	1	3	5	7	8	9	4
5	4	7	8	9	2	1	6	3
3	8	9	4	6	1	5	7	2
6	7	8	9	2	3	4	5	1
1	5	2	7	8	4	9	3	6
4	9	3	5	1	6	2	8	7

## Headlands Scholar

This year, the secret Headlands Scholar is giving a total of 4 scholarships to pay for your tuition fees for university. Applications have been opened so if you have not applied yet please do, you have nothing to lose!

If you have any questions about the application, please see Mr Cooke.

If the application is accepted, a meeting will then be held which after that point, the scholars will be decided.



## Music Madness

Do you like hip-hop? Do you love British culture? If you answered 'yes,' then this week's genre is for you. Chap-hop, originating from Britain, cleverly mixes hip-hop with elements from the Chappist and steampunk subcultures, often referring to niches like cricket, tea and the typical British weather. Like the bangers we all know and love from Horrible Histories, the genre is a refreshing and comedic break from mainstream music. Here are Some 'bloody good' artists:

- Professor Elemental
- Mr B The gentleman rhymer
- Poplock Holmes
- Reginald Pikedevant

## Show of the Term

### Disenchantment

Disenchantment is an American adult fantasy and animated-sitcom created by Matt Groening, the writer of The Simpsons. It is light-hearted and witty, set in a land of magical creatures and demons. Following Princess Tiabeanie and her friends, demon Luci and Elfo, they go on chaotic adventures in the medieval kingdom of Dreamland. 7.2/10 IMDb

Disenchantment can be watched on Netflix.



**Overall Rating:**

**3.0 Cooke's Seal Of Approval**