



November 2023

Dear Parent / Guardian / Carer of Forward Thinking student,

We are pleased to invite you to the Forward Thinking Celebration event to be held at the University of Birmingham on **Tuesday 12th December 2023**. This is the final event on the Forward Thinking programme which your child has been involved with since Year 8. Since then, they have taken part in activities with us on a yearly basis and we would like to invite you to attend this final event so you can help us celebrate the success and achievements of the Year 11 pupils on this programme.

The event for students begins during the afternoon, with parents welcome to attend at **5.25pm**. A buffet will be provided before the final speeches and award of certificates. The event will finish at 7.30pm.

The Celebration Event will take place at the University of Birmingham Edgbaston campus in the **Great Hall in the Aston Webb Building** (the Great Hall is building R6 on the campus map).

A full campus map is enclosed at the end of this invitation and you can also download it at <https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/contact/directions/index.aspx>

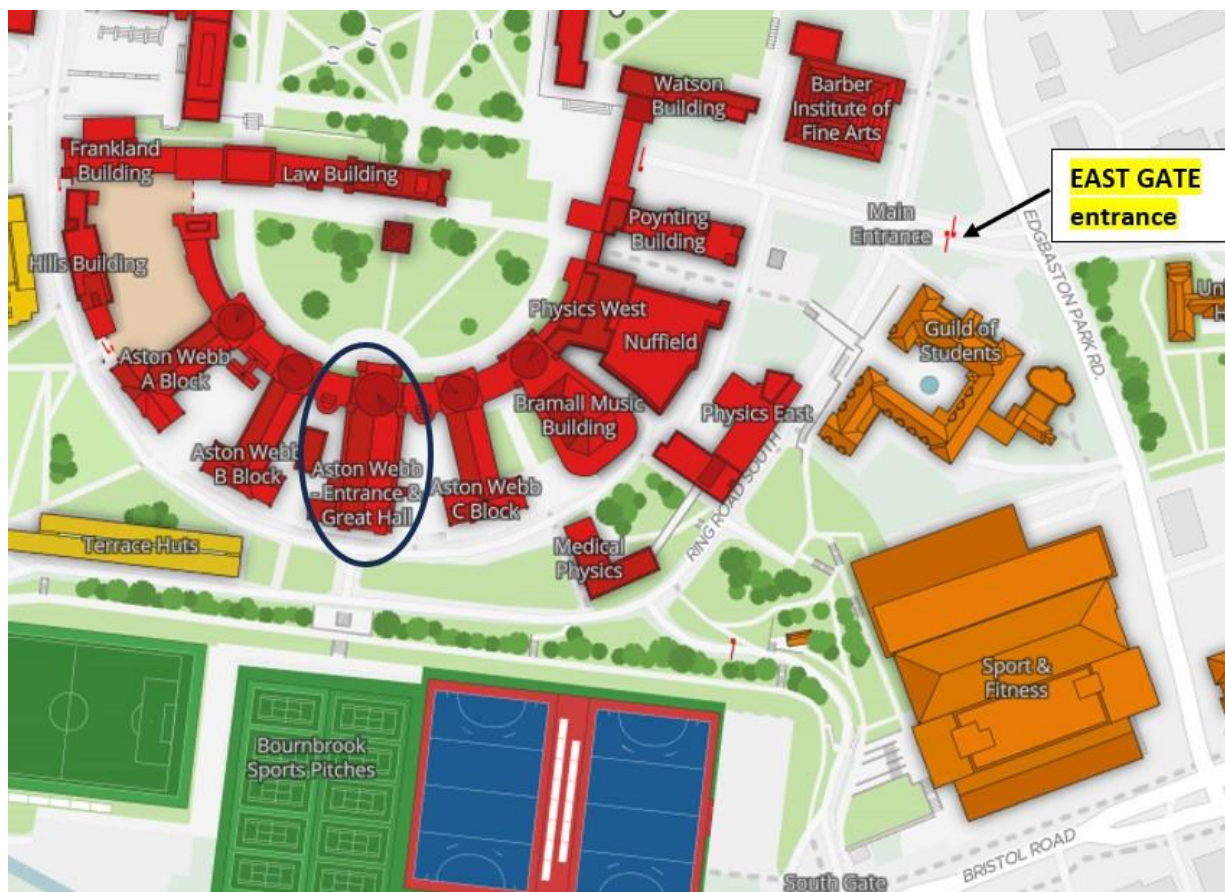
To access this information on the move, the UOB Campus Map app is available as a free download for iOS (on the App Store) and Android devices (on Google Play).

Please note that the University campus is very large so you will need to bring this information and the campus map with you when you visit.

Travelling by car

Please enter campus via East Gate (Edgbaston Park Road) – see maps below. Student Ambassadors wearing high-vis jackets will be waiting at East Gate between 4.45-5.30pm to meet and direct visitors.

If you are using a satnav, the postcode for East Gate is B15 2TU. You will not need to pay to park after 4.30pm.



Travelling by bus

It is also easy to reach the University by public transport. A number of buses run along the Bristol Road and stop near the south entrance to the University.

Travelling by train

If you are coming by train, the Longbridge or Redditch train from New Street stops at the University station. It takes approximately 10 minutes to walk from University train station to the Great Hall in the Aston Webb building.

If you need any help on the day of the event, please telephone 07970 956969 (only for use on the day of the event).

If you are unable to attend but your child will be attending, please liaise with the School Co-ordinator to arrange return transport from the University.

We very much hope that you will be able to join us at the celebration event and look forward to seeing you there.

Yours faithfully,
Alice, Jess, Nayaab and Claire

Forward Thinking Team

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University of Birmingham Campus Map

Please bring this with you to help you find the Great Hall in the Aston Webb Building.

