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Life at Leeds is the student e-newsletter brought to you by the student communications team. The newsletter aims to help you make the most of your time at Leeds. Send your thoughts and any feedback to studentcommunications@leeds.ac.uk

UCU industrial action - information and guidance for students

As you are probably aware, some colleagues at the University are planning to participate in a nationwide strike over a four week period in February and March. Some of you may have questions about this and how the strike will affect you. We encourage all students to read through and regularly check the <u>information and our guidance that's on the student</u> website.

Spring Volunteering Fair

Interested in volunteering but don't know where to start? 30 charities from across Leeds and LUU's Volunteering Societies will be at the Spring Volunteering Fair to talk about the opportunities available on and off campus. The fair takes place tomorrow, Thursday 22 February, and more information can be found once you login to the <u>Leeds for Life</u> website.

LUU Leadership Race – debates have started this week!

We're half way through the LUU's Leadership Race debates week, and voting opens next week (Monday 26 February – Thursday 1 March). Find out more about the candidates and how you can vote on the LUU website.

The Student Loans Company 2018/19 full-time application service now open!

If you're a continuing student, you'll be contacted by Student Finance England (SFE) to apply for next year's finance. The deadline for continuing students to apply is the Sunday 22 June 2018. This will ensure any maintenance loan is assessed by the start of the 2018/19 academic year. You can access a range of SFE resources on the student finance zone of the student room and the gov.uk website.

Campus development - construction work along Woodhouse Lane

As part of the construction of the Sir William Henry Bragg Building, some walking routes will be restricted during this period from Monday 5 March. This means that there will no longer be a through route between the arches near the School of Chemistry to Woodhouse Lane. See the <u>campus development website</u> for details.

Events on campus over the next two weeks

From vegan milkshake tasting, barista training, pet therapy and Disney Society's movie night, there's lots going on campus that you can take part in. Keep an eye on the student website and the LUU what's on pages.

- <u>Tuesday 27 February Fairtrade Fortnight Craft Fair</u>. This year's focus is on supporting the farmers and workers who grow our food. As part of this commitment The University of Leeds hold a bi-annual Fairtrade & Craft Fair, with stalls operated by Fairtrade approved groups, staff, and local companies who offer a range of Fairtrade and Homemade Crafts, perfect for gifts or a treat for yourself!
- Wednesday 28th February Victim Support drop in offers free, confidential support that's tailored to your need. They help people feel safer and find the strength to move beyond crime.
- Wednesday 28th February Recognise workshop The Value of Voluntary work.
 Learn how you can use your volunteering experiences and skills to impress a future employer or help you pursue your life dreams.
- <u>Sunday 11 March 11 Recital by Federico Chopin</u>, previous Leeds International Piano Competition winner. Free entry for students!

Don't forget to follow us on social this semester

Stay updated with University happenings by joining our <u>Facebook group for current</u> students and by following @UoLStudents on Twitter.

You can also visit <u>students.leeds.ac.uk</u> for everything you'll need while you're at Leeds and previous copies of our student newsletter.