



21st May 2019

Dear Parent / Guardian

Year 12 Visit to The University of Kent, Canterbury Friday 5th July 2019

We propose to take Year 12 students to the University of Kent, Canterbury on Friday 5th July 2019. This visit will be hugely beneficial to the students and will include a campus tour as well as presentations on student life as well as why and how to choose a course. It is not to promote the university itself but will give an overview of University in general, what to expect and how to apply.

Students will need to bring either a packed lunch or money to purchase food on campus.

We will be travelling by coach and minibuses and leaving Riddlesdown at 8.30am, so students should aim to be in the Common Room by 8.00am. We will be returning to school at approximately 3.00pm.

If you wish your son/daughter to participate in this trip please complete and return the consent form to your son/daughter's tutor and make your payment via Parent Pay by 21st June 2019. To cover the cost of the transport we would ask for a voluntary contribution of £10.00. If this poses a problem, please contact one of the College VI team. Due to restrictions with coach bookings we only have 80 spaces available so the trip will be on a first come, first served basis. To avoid financial pressure this will be based on return of the reply slip, rather than payment, which can be made up to two weeks prior to the trip.

As this is an extra-curricular trip it is not compulsory for students to attend but we strongly encourage them to do so. Good behaviour is essential to ensure the smooth running of this trip. Therefore, in the unlikely event that a student's behaviour gives us cause for concern prior to the trip we reserve the right to refuse their participation.

May I take this opportunity to outline the other events happening during the Summer Term in College VI:

- **27th June: Results and Enrolment to Year 13**
- **Week Commencing 1st July: Careers and UCAS Week** – A range of presentations and workshops taking place from both universities and employers as well as information on gap years and well-being at university. Students will also start the UCAS process and will have the opportunity to begin the Extended Project. Students will be off timetable.
- **Week Commencing 15th July: Work Experience Week** – All Year 12 students should be undertaking Work Experience.

The final half term is very eventful with a real focus on the students' future and I hope the students will make the most of the opportunities available to them. If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully

Mr M P Smith
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