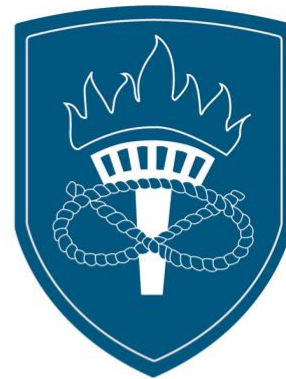


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21st January 2022



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Dear Parents/Carers

We are excited to be working with the National Citizens Service this year, to deliver an unforgettable summer experience for students in Year 11.

The NCS programme offers young people, aged 16-17, a once in a lifetime opportunity to do something meaningful with their summer break, as well as a chance to develop skills and take on new challenges that will set them up for adult life. They will also do something good for their local community, carrying out a social action project to support a cause they care about.

Over a period of 2 weeks, pupils will:

- Meet new people
- Give back to their local community through voluntary action
- Take on new challenges
- Develop the skills and confidence to take on their next steps
- Stay away from home for 5 days
- Generate valuable experience for their university and apprenticeships applications

There are two dates to choose from:

- **11th – 22nd July** (if your child is applying for the Sixth Form, please do not choose this date as it clashes with Sixth Form Induction Week).
- **1st – 12th August**

A place on NCS is worth around £1200. However, thanks to government funding for the programme, NCS only ask for a contribution of £50. We want to ensure that everyone can do NCS so there are bursaries available if you need some help to cover the cost. Bursaries are available to those who are either eligible for free school meals, on an EHCP, in care or a young carer.

NCS will be visiting Barr Beacon School on 27th January to talk more about the programme to Year 11 pupils. You can visit www.wearencs.com to sign up or for more information. If you have any questions or don't think these dates will work with your summer plans, you can call NCS directly to see if they have any alternatives: 0800 197 8010.

NCS is all about helping teenagers realise their potential by giving them a taste of independence and loading them up with new skills that set them up to achieve their future goals. We encourage everyone in Year 11 to take part.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'L Draycott'.

Ms L Draycott
Headteacher

