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14th June 2022

Dear Parents/Carers



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University of Birmingham Open Day Friday 24th June

As we begin the final term, the focus on your child's career pathway will be in focus. We have planned a series of events to help support students through their next steps. This will include guidance sessions in school, where students will begin their UCAS applications, learn more about the apprenticeship pathway and start to perfect their personal statements and CVs.

As part of this focus on their futures, all Year 12 students will be granted a day's authorised absence on **Friday 24th June** to attend **University of Birmingham's Open Day**. In order to gain entry to the Open Day, students have been asked to book their place online. Students can choose which sessions they attend during the day. We would recommend a campus tour, accommodation tour and a subject talk. Parents can accompany their children to the Open Day if you are available and wish to join them.

As developing their independence is important for their futures, students will make their own way to and from this event. Getting to the university is easy by public transport. We would not recommend driving as parking is limited. We have asked all students to **arrive between 9.00am-9.30am**, where they will register with Mrs Osborne and Miss Killick by the Clock Tower. Staff will then depart the university and students will go to enjoy their chosen sessions. Students will not need to return to school in the afternoon and they can wear casual dress for this event.

Please complete the permission slip overleaf and ask your child to return it to the Sixth Form Office by Friday 17th June.

We are encouraging students to attend more Open Days at the universities they are interested in attending. Students can explore the universities and courses available through their UCAS Hub account or the UCAS Search tool: <u>https://digital.ucas.com/search</u>. If your child is considering apprenticeships, the Not Going to Uni website is highly recommended: <u>www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/</u>.

A reminder that Work Experience Week runs from Monday 18th to Friday 22nd July. After strong qualifications, relevant work experience has been identified by the Top 100 Graduate Employers as the most essential attribute in applicants.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the support you have given to your child in their first year of post-16 study.

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Yours sincerely

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I give permission for my child to attend the University of Birmingham Open Day on Friday 24 th June.		
	I understand that my child will be responsible for travelling to ar	d from the university.
	I confirm that my contact details and the medical information as changed. Any changes must be reported to the Sixth Form Office please.	·
Student name Tutor Group		
Signed (Parent/Carer) Please return to the Sixth Form Office by Friday 17 th June.		

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