

# QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

Your child has expressed an interest in the Aiming High day trip to Oxford University on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018.

The purpose of this trip is to raise awareness of the opportunities open to students at Oxford. Oxford has a wonderful history and a world class reputation and we want our students to see that they encourage applications from young people with the ability to thrive there, regardless of background or place of education. We want our students to hear first-hand from staff and students about what it is like to study there and to see for themselves the unique college structure. The day will also help to address any myths about Oxford being out of reach and elitist. We want all our students to aim high and we hope that this visit might inspire your son or daughter to consider applying when the time comes if it is what they want.

The day will start with a welcome at Corpus Christi College and a workshop on Higher Education and studying at Oxford. There will then be a question and answer session with current students. A hot lunch will be provided in the College dining room and then there will be a College tour followed by an Academic Taster session. We hope to have about an hour free after this to walk around the city on our own looking at some more of the famous landmarks before beginning our journey home. Students may wear their own clothes and only need money for incidentals such as drinks at service stations etc.

The minibus will leave the School Bus Bay at 07.45 and return at approx. 18.30 (traffic allowing).

The cost of this trip will be £20 per student to cover the cost of transport by coach to and from Oxford, plus administrative costs. The law does not allow us to make a charge for this type of activity, though we may ask for voluntary contributions. No student may be excluded from the activity because of a parent's unwillingness or inability to make a financial contribution, but unless the voluntary contributions cover the cost of the activity, it cannot go ahead. The payment should be made via the ParentPay\* system by Tuesday 24th April 2018. We would be grateful for your prompt response.

Yours faithfully

Claire Tresidder  
KS5 Learning Mentor and Head of EPQ

*\*by clicking the "consent" button on ParentPay to confirm the payment detailed above, you are also confirming that the emergency contact and medical details we have on our system are correct for your child. Please inform me if there are any changes to the details we hold.*