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Dear Y12 Parents and Carers

Information Evening for Parents: Applying to University and the Apprenticeship Route

On Monday 25th June from 6-7.15pm we will be holding an information evening for parents and carers of students in Y12 as they prepare to enter their last year at school. Along with the final academic challenges, our new Y13s will be making some important decisions about their future.

The Sixth Form team provides a programme of support to guide students through this process. On Friday 8th June, we will be taking most of Y12 to the UCAS convention in Birmingham where they can visit hundreds of stands and speak to exhibitors from universities, apprenticeship providers and big employers such as the large accountancy firms and the Armed Forces. Following this, there is a morning's workshop on Friday 22nd June beginning to prepare personal statements. We will be following up in the Autumn Term with more information on the apprenticeship route, on interviews at university and with more details on student finance.

We know that parents want to be well informed too, so that they can back up this process and be better equipped to help explore options and make decisions. Therefore we would like to invite you to attend this short evening session aimed at giving you most of the information you need all in one go. Eva Egginton from Sheffield Hallam University will speak about the UCAS process and the all important Personal Statement. She will also provide an overview of what Apprenticeship routes are now available; these have changed rapidly in the last few years and provide exciting alternatives to full-time further study. Many parents are concerned about Student Finance and a representative from the Higher Education Progress Partnership will talk about how that currently works. They will both be happy to answer your questions and representatives from the Sixth Form will also be available.

The event will take place in the Sixth Form Common Room starting at 6pm and we anticipate it will end around 7.15pm. Parking is available on the school field and on Cokayne Avenue. Students are welcome to come with you if they wish.

We do hope you will join us.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Atkins

Head of Sixth Form