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7th October 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Educational Visit: Hodder Criminology Conference – Thursday 21st November 2019

Trip Leader: Mrs L Allen

As part of your child's A-Level Psychology and/or Sociology course, they have been studying a range of different psychological and sociological theories around crime; exploring explanations for criminality as well as methods for identifying and treating criminals. To enhance their knowledge and understanding of the topics further, we would like to take all students within the department on a trip to attend the 2019 Hodder Education Criminology Conference. The programme of events and key speakers involved in delivering the conference, will provide students with the opportunity to revise and apply some of the content from their courses.

Throughout the day, students will listen to a number of high profile speakers in the field of Human Sciences including: Dr Zoe Wakington who will be talking about the 'The psychology of lie detection' and Dr Irene Zempi who will be presenting her theories and research into 'Hate crime in the cyber world'. Students will also have the unique opportunity to hear Noel 'Razor' Smith, an ex-criminal, talking about his experience of spending most of his adult life in prison. He has since become a renowned public speaker and writer and has been awarded a number of Koestler awards for his contributions to articles for the Independent, the Guardian, Punch, the Big Issue, the New Law Journal and his autobiography.

This conference will no doubt educate, entertain, enthuse and enrich the students' learning by consolidating their previous knowledge of criminology, whilst also preparing them for their exams in Psychology and Sociology.

The cost of this trip will be £28.00 per student. This will cover the cost of transport to the conference location – Britannia Hotel, Nottingham. The deadline for making this payment, via ParentPay*, is Monday 11th November 2019. The law currently allows us to make no charge for this category of educational 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. However, if the voluntary financial contributions received do not cover the cost of the trip it may not take place. If you want your child to attend, but are unable to meet the cost, please contact finance@qegs.email.

The coach will leave Cokayne Avenue at the entrance to the Sixth Form Centre drive at **8.30am**; students must ensure that they are there in sufficient time. The coach will return at approximately **5.00pm**. I will make sure that students contact home to give a more accurate return time once we have departed from the venue. As this trip is outside of school hours, please be aware that you are responsible for transport arrangements to and from the academy for your child. Student's can wear non uniform and will need to take some money to purchase lunch.

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If you have any questions regarding this trip, please do not hesitate to contact me via the Sixth Form Centre.

Yours faithfully



Mrs L Allen

Head of Human Sciences and Deputy Head of Sixth Form

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