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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to you regarding a number of key dates and events for Year 12 students this half term.

Students interested in applying to university are encouraged to use this half term to go on University Open Day visits. Students are normally allowed up to a maximum of 3 school days to go on such visits, although many do take place on Saturdays too. A list of available open days can be found via the websites of individual institutions, or via www.opendays.com/calendar

Over the final half term there are a number of events of which you should be aware. Notable dates upcoming:

- Tuesday 21 June: **Higher Education Parents Information Evening, 6:30 -7:30pm:**

This evening, which will take place in the break out space, is aimed at parents and students. A guest speaker from a local HE institution will provide a short talk giving advice on choosing the correct university course, the application process and the financial aspects of a university application. This will be followed by a Q&A session.

- Friday 24 June: **Going Further Day:**

This is a day when all returning Year 12 students are off normal timetable. They attend a day of sessions designed to provide information, advice and guidance about post 18 career choices, Higher education, apprenticeships, employment and other options. Students will be informed of the arrangements for the day nearer the time.

- Wednesday 6 July: **School Sports' Day:**

On Sports' Day, Year 12 students are encouraged to take an active role in the organisation of the day for the younger students. For students not involved in this organisation, there is an opportunity for organised private study in E6.

- Thursday/Friday 14/15 July: **Activities Days:**

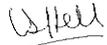
Younger pupils are involved in cross curricular activities days on these dates. Year 12 students will attend support sessions for independent learning, CV drafting, personal statement writing and pre-university study skills. Those students considering a university application will also begin enrolment onto the UCAS website and start a provisional application, pending their results in August. This process will then continue in the Autumn Term. Students will be asked to attend school on *either* the Thursday *or* the Friday. The other day may be used, at the discretion of each individual student, for either Open Day visits, supporting the lower school activities, educational enrichment visits as directed by subject staff, or for private study at home.

I will write to you again next week outlining the procedure for students who wish to stop studying one of their subjects following the AS exams.

I hope you find the above information useful. Please do not hesitate to contact me at school should you require further details. A copy of this letter will also be posted on the school website.

I would appreciate it if you could confirm whether you would like to attend the Higher Education information evening, by signing and returning the slip below.

Yours sincerely,



I Duffell (Mr)
Director of 6th Form

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Return to Mrs Cook 6th Form Admin E4 by Friday 17 June

I/We will/will not be attending the Higher Education information evening on 21 June 2016

Student Name:..... Form:.....

Number attending:

Signed: (Parent/Carer) Date: