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Dear Parents/Carers and Students

Year 12 – UCAS Discovery Exhibition Trip – 9 June 2026

Our programme of higher education (HE) guidance for Year 12 students continues this term with a trip to the UCAS Discovery Exhibition on Tuesday 9 June. This year's event, hosted at Sheffield Arena, will involve representatives from universities and colleges from across the United Kingdom. This is an invaluable opportunity to gather information and talk to representatives from over 100 universities. There are also representatives from other organisations who deal with apprenticeships, as well as the armed forces.

As it will be such a valuable experience for all Year 12 students, regardless of their intentions for further study, we plan to take the whole year group to the exhibition to explore their post-18 options.

At the event, students will be able to:

- chat to university and colleges about their courses and university life.
- speak to employers and apprenticeship providers about what an apprenticeship is like and the options available.
- speak to qualified careers advisers about your future.
- and listen to talks from experts in their fields.

The trip will take place during school hours and will set off from school at 10.15am. We aim to return to school at approximately 3pm. There may be outlets at the arena to purchase lunch but, as time there will be limited, it is advisable for students to bring a packed lunch. Those in receipt of free school meals are entitled to a free packed lunch from school. Should you wish to have one, please confirm this when providing consent.

There will be no cost to students to attend the trip, however we need parental consent to take your child with us. Please provide consent by Friday 5 June for your child to attend the exhibition by completing the form linked here: [HALL PARK ACADEMY YEAR 12 UCAS DISCOVERY EXHIBITION TRIP – Fill in form](#)

In addition, this term students can look forward to a full day of bespoke sessions run by our university and apprenticeship partners to introduce key aspects of the HE decision-making process, to include which course(s) to study, choosing the right university, finance, accommodation, taking a gap year and much more. After this, students will be introduced to and guided through the process of applying to a university.

If you have any questions and would like to get in touch, please email me using the details below.

Yours faithfully

Miss Kelly
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