

21 January 2019

Dear Parents

UK University / Careers Fair – Friday 01 March 2019

As part of their information gathering process for Higher Education post 18, we have booked 120 places for Year 12 students to attend the ‘UK University and Apprenticeship Search Fair’ at Arsenal, Emirates Stadium, on **Friday 01 March**. This Fair plays a vital part in helping applicants decide what and where to study within Higher Education. There will be a wide range of universities, HE institutions, apprenticeship providers and other student related organisations from around the United Kingdom, all united in their aim to inform and advise young people on their future options.

The coaches will leave RGS at **09.30am promptly** and are expected to return at approximately 14.30pm. Three members of staff will accompany each coach, which will depart from and return to Green Road (at the back of the School).

All boys going to the convention will receive a copy of the 2019 APPLY book (RRP £7.00), produced by Pure Potential. This is an extremely popular Sixth Form guide and has proved invaluable to RGS boys in previous years. It gives advice on applying to university, school leaver opportunities and careers help.

Seminar information – Friday 01 March 2019

11.05 – 11.30	Oxford & Cambridge Explained
11.35 – 12.00	UCAS Personal Statement and Application Advice
12.05 – 12.30	Why an Apprenticeship?
12.35 – 13.00	Russell Group University Seminar

Within the terms of the School’s policy on charging, I am writing to ask for your agreement to your son making the visit and to ask for a voluntary contribution of £16.00 to cover the cost of the trip. No student will be prevented from taking part in the visit on the grounds that parents cannot or will not make such a contribution, but if insufficient funding is available, the visit may be cancelled. If you feel that the cost involved is prohibitive, please do contact me in strictest confidence and I will see if there is funding available to assist you.

If you wish your son to take part in the trip, and we warmly encourage Y12 students to attend this convention, please log onto Parent Pay, look up the “UK University / Careers Fair 2019” and pay the full amount of £16.00 by Friday 01 February. If you are unable to pay online, please contact the Finance Office

to pay by an alternative method. Please note that, if your son drops out of the trip, we will be unable to provide a refund unless he finds someone to take his place.

In addition, to avoid queuing at the event, **your son MUST register individually for his own ticket** using this link: <https://www.ukuniversitysearch.com/fair-signup/london-2>. Once registered, he will receive a confirmation email with a link to his ticket. There is a very limited time slot available to us at the Fair so anyone without a ticket will waste a considerable amount of time on arrival at the Fair. Please note that we will NOT be chasing boys about this.

As you are aware, you and your son have completed and signed the 'RGS Lifetime Behaviour and Medical Consent form' for RGS day trips. However, please understand that it is a parental responsibility to inform Matron matron@rgshw.com of any changes to the medical condition of your son, and any changes to emergency contact numbers should be sent to Mrs Gamester pg@rgshw.com; these requests apply to your son at any time during his school career. Contact detail changes can also be made using the SIMS Parent App.

Please encourage your son to look at this website page in preparation for this visit: <http://www.ukuniversitysearch.com/fair-london>

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me (hrm@rgshw.com) or Mrs Hinsliff, UCAS Administrator (gch@rgshw.com).

Yours sincerely



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