

6 February 2024

Dear Parents/Carers and Students,

### **Higher Education and Careers Preparation: Important Information for Year 12**

On Tuesday 5 March 2024 we will be taking our Year 12 students to the UK University and Apprenticeship Search Fair at The University of Surrey.

This event is relevant for all Sixth Form students, even if they are not sure of their future plans at this stage. It is a key opportunity which will help them focus their choices and decisions for the future and the fair will provide them with an unrivalled opportunity to enjoy a selection of seminars; exhibition halls and to seek 1:1 advice from an array of representatives and experts from across the UK. Further information on the event can be found [here](#). The cost of attending the Fair including coach transport is being met from the Sixth Form Registration Fee, and students will be asked to complete the online registration in form time after half term.

It is essential that students are fully informed about the choices available to them in the future and I expect all Year 12 students to attend this event. We will leave school at 11.00am and aim to return by 3.00pm. The Year 12 timetable will therefore be suspended for periods 3, 4 5 & 6 for all Year 12 students.

As we will be out over lunchtime, students should bring a packed lunch, drinks and snacks as required. They may also wish to bring a small amount of money to buy snacks and drinks at the venue. For those who travel home by school bus, we expect to return in time for the school buses at 3.05pm, but in the event that we are delayed the late buses will be running that day.

Our school has been allocated a 2-hour time slot at the event from 12 noon - 2.00pm. Students are required to be in form by 8.45am and to attend lessons periods 1 and 2 as normal. They should then make their way to the common room to be registered onto the coach which will leave promptly by 11.00am. We will be leaving the venue at 2.00pm with an estimated return time of 3.00pm to the school bus lanes.

The timetable for the event is [here](#). There are 4 seminars that our students could attend whilst we are there and I would like them to attend at least 2 of them:

- 12.10 - 12.30 Russell Group University Seminar
- 12.40 - 13.00 TBA (previous have included AI in HE, Computer Games Design)
- 13.10 - 13.30 Higher and Degree Apprenticeships
- 13.40 - 14.00 UCAS Personal Statement

Permission for your child to attend this trip was given during the registration process, so there is no need to complete a further permission slip. We now keep student medical information on our system based on a form which you have filled in previously. This is accessible to party leaders on trips. If you have not completed a medical form, or your child's medical circumstances have

changed, please request an update form from [CentralAdmin@theweald.org.uk](mailto:CentralAdmin@theweald.org.uk). If you have any queries regarding this or require further information, please contact the Sixth Form Office on 01403 787283.

We would encourage you to read all trip terms and conditions, including cancellation policies, medical, refunds and student expectations on our website under Curriculum, Enrichment, Trips or by using the following [link](#).

To help keep our records up to date, please inform us of any changes to your child's personal or medical information. This can be updated through the online Parent Portal or Pupil Reception.

Many thanks for your support.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T Day'.

Ms T Day  
Head of Sixth Form/Assistant Headteacher