



HUNTINGTON SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers of Year 10 Students,

As we approach the end of the academic year, I wanted to remind you that your child will soon be in their final year at Huntington School. With the current Year 11 students having just left, it's time to start thinking about post-16 options and the support available to help your child make informed decisions about their future. It is a legal requirement for students to be in education until they are at least 18. For most, this will mean attending sixth form or college, but it could also be through apprenticeships, scholarships, or the armed forces.

On Thursday, 27th June, we are hosting a Post-16 Careers Day, where all major providers in the city will speak to our students. This will be a fantastic opportunity for them to gather information and consider their next steps before summer - giving them more time to reflect. It would be beneficial if students return in September with an idea of their preferred destination/destinations as this will ease pressure on them during a very busy Year 11.

After summer, to ensure every student is supported and on track, we will invite them for a careers guidance discussion before Christmas 2024. Where possible, we will involve employers in this process to enhance this support. Additionally, students will have the chance to attend open events around the city, and will participate in taster days during January 2025. These taster days allow students to experience a day of learning at a sixth form or college to ensure it's the right fit for them.

The taster day application process can be quite complicated. Therefore, we will oversee this in school for safeguarding and attendance reasons, and also to ensure we can support the developing plans of our students. Although colleges may offer students the chance to book these days at open events, please politely decline and direct any questions to myself. Taster day applications will take place in November.

The information in this letter represents the minimum support available to your child, but please know that we are here to assist you and your child throughout this final year - whatever support maybe required. Your child can drop into the Aspirations (careers) office at any time, or can arrange longer chats by emailing myself ([s.daniel@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:s.daniel@huntington-ed.org.uk)), or by speaking to their form tutor. As parents/carers, please feel free to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns by using the email above, or by calling 01904 752113. There is also valuable information available on the websites of local colleges and sixth forms from around the city.

Thank you for your support in this important phase of your child's education.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. S. Daniel  
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