

9<sup>th</sup> June 2023

## Dear Parent / Guardian,

On Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June, we have arranged a morning "Taster Day" at Bury College for all our Year 10 students. We have organised this enrichment experience for our Year 10 cohort as this experience is designed to give our pupils the opportunity to try out, first hand, some of the courses that they may be interested in pursuing after they leave The Heys in June 2024.

Some students may already have a good idea of what they would like to study at college and whether they plan to follow an academic course of study such as A-Levels or a vocational course of study. The students have already chosen their preferred option choices and they will try these on the taster morning.

On Monday 26<sup>m</sup> June, the students need to be at school for 8.20am, and a coach will transport them to Bury College and transport them back to school to complete the rest of their school day. Students will be supervised by staff from school at all times throughout the morning.

This is a normal school day so attendance at the event is compulsory, even if your child has already decided that Bury College is not the place for them. This is because it will provide helpful guidance about the different college courses that will be available to them in the future. If your child is unwell on the morning of the visit, please notify the school office staff by telephone to report their absence.

## Students will only be at Bury College until 11.15, therefore, they will get their lunch as normal at school. Pupils should bring a drink with them and a snack if they require. No energy drinks please.

Finally, all students should be in school uniform, the only students exempt from this are those who have been informed they are doing Sports and Leisure. Students who have chosen Sport and Leisure as one of their subjects must wear full school PE kit or they will not be able to participate. We expect students' behaviour to be excellent as they will be representing the school. Any student who lets us down with poor behaviour will be removed from their activity and parents contacted when we return to school.

I really hope that your child will find the day useful and that it will motivate them to work hard to achieve the GCSE grades required for them to access their chosen courses in future. Qualifications play a huge part in future job success, and we hope that this event will help your child to make intelligent and informed decisions which will enable them to achieve success in their chosen careers. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Miss C.Phillips

Head of Key Stage Four.

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