



HITCHIN BOYS' SCHOOL

An Academy Trust

Dear Parents/ Guardians of Year 12 students

Please see below the forthcoming events for Year 12 students

Year 12 Post-18 Options Day: Wednesday 24th May 2023

On Wednesday 24th May all Year 12 students will be off-timetable all day for our Post-18 Options Event. Students will be in school finding out about the variety of options available to them when they leave HBS next year. They will be given information about the UCAS process for applying to university, information on Apprenticeships and alternatives to university. They will also have a presentation on how to write a good personal statement.

Attendance is mandatory as much of the information given will be useful for all students, whether or not they plan on going to university.

Students will also have time with their form tutors to start researching their options, and by the end of the session they will have registered with the UCAS Hub online and created a university or apprenticeship shortlist on Unifrog.

We will go over much of the information at the Post-18 Options Information Evening for parents on Tuesday 6th June at 5.30pm. Please see below for information with regards to this.

Post-18 Options Information Evening, Tuesday 6th June 2023

We will be running an information evening for parents and guardians of Year 12 students on Tuesday 6th June in the Sixth Form Common Room at 5.30pm.

There will be a presentation about our Unifrog software, which helps students prepare for Post-18 choices including apprenticeships, and also a presentation about the UCAS university application procedure (which can be quite daunting for parents!).

Light refreshments will be available from 5.15pm and there will be plenty of opportunity to ask questions. If you would like to come and find out what we do and how you can best support your child at this important time, please respond by email to elewis@hitchinboys.co.uk (please put Info Evening Yes or Info Evening No in the subject line).

Head Teacher: Mr F Moane

Students are not expected to attend on the evening of 6th June as Year 12s will be taking part in the Post-18 Options event in school on Wednesday 24th May.

University Taster Day: University of Hertfordshire, Thursday 8th June 2023

All Year 12 students across the Hitchin Consortium will be going to a University Taster Day at the University of Hertfordshire on Thursday 8th June. We will travel to and from the event by coach. Students should **register EARLY in the Sixth Form Common Room at HBS at 8.30am** on the day of the trip ready for a prompt 8.45am departure. They will be free to go home when we return around their usual finishing time of 3.30pm.

Opportunities include:

- A wide variety of engaging taster lectures and workshops.
- Subject taster sessions focussed on Education, Engineering, English Language, English Literature, Biosciences, Business, Computer Science, Creative Arts, Creative writing, Film, Health Professions, Languages, Law, Media, Nutrition & Dietetics, Politics & International Relations, Pharmacy/pharmaceutical science, Physiotherapy, Psychology, Sport and more.
- Interactive Q&As with current students and support teams on student life, degree apprenticeships, work placements and studying abroad.
- Staff and current Herts students will be available to chat to on a 1-1 basis and there will also be information stands providing support and guidance with things such as student finance and admissions processes.
- Tour the campus guided by current students or take your time and use their self-guided map
- Visit the planetarium – weather permitting!

Your child will need to bring a packed lunch or money to purchase food. The dress code for the event is smart casual.

The overall cost of this trip is £10 per student, which covers the cost of transportation. Payments should be made via WisePay. This also gives consent for your child to attend the trip.

Study Leave and Mock Examinations, 15th – 28th June

Can we take this opportunity to remind you that mock examinations for Year 12 will take place between 15th June and 28th June and students across the Hitchin Sixth Form Consortium will be on **study leave** for this period unless they have BTEC lessons. Some subject teachers may also be running revision sessions and students will be told about these nearer the time. **Normal lessons will not run between Thursday 15th June and Wednesday 28th June and will recommence on Thursday 29th June.**

Yours Sincerely,

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Mrs E.Christou
Head of Sixth Form

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Mr M Wilson
Head of Year 12