

4th May 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians

Re: Year 12 visit to the University of Reading - Wednesday 24th May 2023

On Wednesday 24th May, all Year 12 students will participate in a university visit to the University of Reading. The aim of the visit is for students to gain an understanding of the various higher education choices, regardless of whether they currently intend to go to university after completing their A-Levels.

At the university, students will participate in sessions on how to apply to university, including advice on how to write a personal statement, and what to expect from student life at university. They will also be shown around the university campus by Student Ambassadors.

The University of Reading has a world class reputation for the quality of the university's research, teaching and links to business. Its Henley Business School is among the top 1% of business schools worldwide, with *The Financial Times* and *The Economist* both consistently ranking it as being one of the world's top business schools. In addition, the university is renowned for its teaching of marketing, agriculture, environmental science and geography, architecture and classics.

We are asking for a contribution of £11.50 to cover the cost of travel to be paid via ParentPay. If you have any issues paying this amount or using ParentPay, please contact me as soon as possible. Students will also need to bring a packed lunch with them as there will not be an opportunity to purchase food at the university. The final deadline for permission and payment on ParentPay is Monday 22nd May.

Students will need to **arrive at school at 8:15am and meet in the Sixth Form Cafe in order to depart via coach at 8:45am**. We expect to return to Ruislip High School at 3:30pm.

Please contact me via the office if you have any questions about the visit.

Yours sincerely



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Head of Year 12