



ALSOP HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you about a special event that we have planned for selected Year 11 pupils – our Sixth Form Taster Day. This event is scheduled for Thursday, 8th February, and offers a unique opportunity for these students to experience a day in the life of a Sixth Form student at our school.

Details of the Sixth Form Taster Day

- **Date and Time:** Thursday, 8th February. Pupils should arrive to school by 9 am.
- **Location:** The day will begin at our Cyber Café, where students will gather before starting their taster sessions.
- **Activities:** Pupils will participate in four taster sessions focused on Level 3 subjects that they have shown interest in. This experience is designed to give them a realistic insight into the subjects they might choose to study in Sixth Form.

Purpose and Importance

This Taster Day is a crucial step for Year 11 students as they make significant decisions about their post-16 education. It allows them to solidify their thoughts on certain subjects and, perhaps, reconsider others. By experiencing these subjects in a practical setting, students can make more informed choices about their future studies.

Access and Eligibility

Please note that participation in the Sixth Form Taster Day is by invitation only. Invitations are extended to pupils based on various criteria, including their expressed subject interests and overall readiness for such an experience.

For Those Not Invited:

We understand that not receiving an invitation to this event might be disappointing for some pupils. However, this should not be seen as a permanent setback. Instead, we hope it serves as a motivation for these students to reflect on their behaviour and academic choices. It's important to stress that this is not a final decision regarding their eligibility for Sixth Form. Rather, it's a reminder that positive choices and behaviours are crucial for their progress and are expected of all pupils within our school community. On this day, pupils who do not participate in the Taster Day are expected to engage with revision and study materials provided to them, ensuring that their academic journey continues positively.

Further Information:

We believe that this Taster Day will be an enlightening and motivating experience for those attending. It's an essential part of our commitment to helping students make the best possible choices for their future education and careers.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Yours faithfully,

Lee Dolan
Strategic Leader for KS5