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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: UCAS University Applications – School Deadline: 1st December 2026

I am writing to remind you that the school deadline for processing UCAS university applications is fast approaching. All applications should be completed and submitted to the school by Tuesday 1st December 2026.

Although the external UCAS deadline is in January 2027, Holy Family aims to process and submit applications well in advance of this date. This allows students the best possible opportunity to receive university offers early, which is particularly important for those applying for competitive courses where places may be limited.

We would appreciate your support in helping your son or daughter complete this important stage of their university application. This includes assisting with the UCAS application fee of £34.50, which allows students to select up to five university or course choices.

Alternatively, students who wish to take a gap year can choose to defer their university entry until 2028, rather than commencing their studies in September 2027. **Please be assured that students who are in receipt of a bursary are not expected to pay the UCAS application fee.**

Applying to university is an important milestone, and we want to ensure that all students have the best opportunity to submit their applications in good time and maximise their chances of securing an offer from their chosen university. Students have a great deal of support available in school from tutors, Mrs Beddow, Holly Jones, our Career's Advisor and 1:1 meeting with myself. We encourage all students to make use this bespoke support whilst it is available.

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement. If you have any questions regarding the UCAS application process, please do not hesitate to contact me.
Yours faithfully,

Louise Critchley
Assistant Head of Sixth Form/UCAS Coordinator