



**Staffordshire University  
Academy**

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ACADEMIES TRUST

8<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Parents / Carers,

**Re: Upcoming events for Year 10 students**

We have a range of upcoming interventions to support the future prospects of our Year 10 cohort that we would like to make you aware of. Each of the below have been designed to enhance your child's experience and boost their life chances by giving them a range of experiences and, in the case of the intervention weeks, an additional qualification.

- Year 10 students will be taking their internal exams between 18<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> June. Please find further details and a timetable attached.
- From Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July all Year 10 students will be completing work towards an additional qualification to supplement the GCSEs they are already completing. Students have been given the choice of a range of subjects to opt in to and will spend the majority of the time over these two weeks completing work to achieve these qualifications. Students were given the choice of financial education, business studies and catering. Further to these two weeks, students will be given some additional time to complete these qualifications in the first term of Year 11. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to add another valued qualification to their CV and develop important life skills in the process.

During these two weeks students will still attend some English and maths lessons.

- On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June all of Year 10 will be attending an event at Keele University aimed at giving students the opportunity to engage with employers and see how their studies link in to the 'real world'. This event is completely free of charge and more details about this will follow closer to the date. In order for your child to attend this event we require you to complete the attached form and return it to us by 22<sup>nd</sup> June.
- During the week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> July all Year 10 students will be taking part in work experience. This gives them all a valuable opportunity to experience what the world of work is like and develop some important skills in the process. You should be aware of where your child is completing their work experience but if you have any questions about this then please contact Miss Fletcher at the academy.
- In the week following work experience, Year 10 students will be invited on a rewards trip to Drayton Manor Park. This will take place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July. Further details about this visit will follow shortly.

We are very excited about these opportunities and we appreciate your support during this final half term for our Year 10 students. If you have any questions at all about any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me at the academy by telephoning, using the school comms app or emailing [info@suacademy.co.uk](mailto:info@suacademy.co.uk).

Yours sincerely,

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**Parental / Carer Consent Form**

Dear Parent / Carer,

Your child / dependant may have the opportunity to take part in university/college visits, mentoring programmes, summer schools, subject tasters, revision classes and a whole range of other rewarding activities.

To make sure these activities are useful and effective for young people, we need to gather certain information which we use purely for research purposes. We would be really grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete this consent form in CAPITALS and return it to your child / dependant's school.

The information collected on this form will be used for research purposes only.

Student Name:

Date of Birth: (DD/MM/YY)      Year Group:

Sex:      Male       Female       Transgender       Prefer not to say

Home Address:

Home Postcode:

Email:

School / College:

**Parental/carer occupation**

What is the occupation of the highest earning parent/carer currently living in the household (please state)?

**Educational background of parents/carers**

Have any of your child/dependant's parents or carers been to university or taken a degree?      Yes       No       Don't know

**Free School Meal eligibility**

Has your child/dependant been eligible for Free School Meals at any time in the last six years?      Yes       No       Don't know       Prefer not to say

**Has your child/dependant been in care?**

Please select Yes if:  
- Your child/dependant has spent any time living in public care as a looked after child, including: in local authority care and living with foster carers or in a children's home      Yes       No   
- Your child/dependant has been 'looked after' at home under a home supervision order in Scotland

Please select No if:  
- Your child/dependant has not spent time in care.

Please note this does not refer to time spent working in a care or healthcare setting or if your child/dependant is or has been a carer for a relative.

If you have answered 'Yes' to the question above, please indicate the total length of time your child/dependant has been in care:

Less than 3 months       3 months to a year       1 to 3 years       More than 3 years

**Do you consider your child/dependant to be a young adult carer?**

Please select Yes if:  
- They are a young person who cares, unpaid, for a family member who due to illness, disability, a mental health problem or an addiction cannot cope without their support.      Yes       No

**Student Ethnicity (please tick)**

White - English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British Irish	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other mixed background	<input type="checkbox"/>	Black - African	<input type="checkbox"/>
White - Gypsy or Irish Traveller	<input type="checkbox"/>	Indian	<input type="checkbox"/>	Black - Caribbean	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other White background	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pakistani	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Black background	<input type="checkbox"/>
White and Black Caribbean	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bangladeshi	<input type="checkbox"/>	Arab	<input type="checkbox"/>
White and Black African	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other ethnic background	<input type="checkbox"/>
White and Asian	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Asian background	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Student Disability (please tick)**

No known disability	<input type="checkbox"/>	Deaf/hearing impaired	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unseen disability	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wheelchair user/mobility impaired	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mental health condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other disability	<input type="checkbox"/>
Blind/visually impaired	<input type="checkbox"/>	Multiple disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>
Specific Learning Difference e.g. Dyslexia, Dyspraxia or Dyscalculia	<input type="checkbox"/>	Autism/Asperger's	<input type="checkbox"/>		

**Photography and Video**

EMWPREP partners sometimes use photography/video filming for publicity purposes. We would like your permission to photograph/video your child/dependant for possible use in our publications, website, social media platforms and other publicity material. They may also be used by our partner organisations (noted below) with our permission. The image(s) will remain the property of the university providing the activity and will be used for the sole purpose of promoting similar activities.

I give permission\*/do not give permission\* for photographs and/or video to be taken of my child/dependant for the purposes stated above.

(\*please delete as appropriate)

**Further Contact**

From time to time we may send information to you or your child/dependant that we feel is useful, including university/education information or more opportunities to take part in activities. We may also wish to make contact for further research purposes.

I agree\*/do not agree\* to me or my child/dependant being contacted by the partners mentioned below.

(\*please delete as appropriate)

**Data Protection**

In order to ensure that our activities are effective and reaching the right people, we collect and analyse statistical information, including information about your child/dependant's ethnicity and disability statement. We may share the data held on this form with one or more of the following receiving organisations:

- partner Higher Education providers,
- the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE),
- the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS),
- the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA),
- the Department for Education (DfE),
- Higher Education Access Tracker (HEAT) service subscribers,
- the National Data Service,
- CFE Research,
- your child/dependant's school or college,
- the school or college's Local Authority

EMWPREP and the receiving organisations may then link data from this form to additional educational data about your child / dependant (including DfE attainment data held on the National Pupil Database, UCAS records and/or HESA student records). We may access this data and use it to monitor the impact of our activities.

Any personal data we collect will only be shared with the partners mentioned above, all research publications will be anonymised and the data will not be used for any other purpose. Data will be processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. For more information, please see [www.legislation.org.uk](http://www.legislation.org.uk) or call 01509 223462.

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW**

Name of parent/carer:	
Relationship to child/dependant:	Date:
Signature of parent/carer:	
If you do not give your consent for the information collected on this form to be used in the above mentioned research, then please tick this box. <input type="checkbox"/>	

Thank you for completing this form. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact the Widening Participation Research and Evaluation Co-ordinator on 01509 223462 or by emailing [E.Church@lboro.ac.uk](mailto:E.Church@lboro.ac.uk)