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# Ripon Grammar School

*Engineering Specialism within a Grammar School*



March 2017

## Oxford & Cambridge residential visits 2017

Dear Parents and students,

For those students interested in applying to Oxford or Cambridge there are two residential trips available which offer an invaluable opportunity to attend the respective open days at each university. This will include visiting colleges, meeting current students and tutors and attending lectures. Students in the past have found this a fantastic experience and it has helped them enormously in making key decisions about applications. However, the open days do overlap so any students who would like to attend both may have to make their own arrangements.

### Oxford University Open Days on Tuesday 27 June – Thursday 29 June 2017

Students interested in applying to **Oxford University** are invited to participate in a visit to Oxford University Open Days on Tuesday 27 June – Thursday 29 June 2017. Students will be booked into accommodation in two different Oxford Colleges, in small groups, in order to participate in the open day programme for those colleges. Each student will also be able to visit relevant subject departments and to familiarise themselves with the university environment. This group will be accompanied by Mr Spiers and another member of staff and will travel by coach. **We will leave Ripon Grammar School during the morning of Tuesday 27 June and aim to return to school at about 6pm on Thursday 29 June.**

### Cambridge University Open Days on Wednesday 5 July – Friday 7 July 2017

Students interested in applying to **Cambridge University** are invited to participate in a visit to the Cambridge University Open Days on Wednesday 5 July – Friday 7 July 2017. Students will be booked into accommodation in two different Cambridge Colleges, in small groups, in order to participate in the open day programme for those colleges. Students will also be booked into the general open day on Friday morning. Each student will also be able to visit relevant subject departments and to familiarise themselves with the university environment. This group will be accompanied by Mrs Griffiths and Miss Bennett and will travel by coach. **We will leave Ripon Grammar School during the morning of Wednesday 5 July and aim to return to school at about 6pm on Friday 7 July.**

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For the visits to both Oxford and Cambridge, students will be largely independent during the course of the visit. It is important to stress that there will not necessarily be a member of staff from school staying in the same overnight accommodation as your son/daughter. The group will be expected to meet up with staff each evening. The time and location of the meeting point will be given to them on the trip. All students will be expected to have fully charged mobile phones with them at all times and must be able to keep in touch with staff by telephone. An 'Emergency Contact Card' will be issued to them at departure. It is clearly vital that students participating in this visit display the usual level of exemplary behaviour that we expect in school.

The estimated cost of the trip is £65.00 for transport, accommodation and breakfast costs; this cost will be confirmed once we have the final numbers of students attending. If your son/daughter would like to participate in the visit to either Oxford or Cambridge, **we will require a £10.00 non-refundable deposit to secure the place and allow us to make bookings in the colleges.** Students may need a small amount of additional money for some meals but this will vary from college to college.

**No smoking or drinking of alcohol is permitted at any time during any of these visits.**

If you agree to your son/daughter participating in any of the visits described above, please complete the relevant permission slip below and return to Mrs Griffiths, Sixth Form Co-ordinator by Monday 24 April. Payment should be made by parentpay where possible.

If the cost of these visits poses undue financial problems we have a bursary available within school for the sixth form. If you would like further information about the bursary or have any further questions about any of these visits, please do telephone Mrs Griffiths on the number below if email her at [griffithse@ripogrammar.co.uk](mailto:griffithse@ripogrammar.co.uk).

**If you are happy with these arrangements, please complete and return the permission slip below with payment by Monday 24 April.**

Yours sincerely



**Mr T Fell**  
**Head of Sixth Form**

## **Oxbridge Residential Visits 2017: Parental Permission Slip**

Please complete relevant sections below. Thank you.

### **Student Details**

**Name of student:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Form:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student mobile No.:** \_\_\_\_\_ **(COMPULSORY)**

**Medical information (if applicable)** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Dietary requirements:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency number(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Please select one of the trips below:**

### **1. Oxford University Open Days on Tuesday 27 June – Thursday 29 June 2017**

**I have paid the £10.00 deposit via parentpay / cash / cheque**

Parent signature:.....

**OR**

### **2. Cambridge University Open Days on Wednesday 5 July – Friday 7 July 2017**

**I have paid the £10.00 deposit via parentpay / cash / cheque**

Parent signature:.....

**Please return to Mrs Griffiths by Monday 24 April 2017**