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April 2018

Oxford & Cambridge Residential Visits 2018

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 have found this to be a fantastic experience and it has helped them enormously in making key decisions about applications. Students are welcome to attend both trips if they are undecided about where to apply.

Oxford University Open Days on Tuesday 26 June – Thursday 28 June 2018

Students interested in applying to **Oxford University** are invited to participate in a visit to Oxford University Open Days on Tuesday 26 June – Thursday 28 June 2018. 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 will travel by coach. **We will leave Ripon Grammar School during the morning of Tuesday 26 June and aim to return to school at about 6pm on Thursday 28 June.**

Cambridge University Open Days on Wednesday 4 July – Friday 6 July 2018

Students interested in applying to **Cambridge University** are invited to participate in a visit to the Cambridge University Open Days on Wednesday 4 July – Friday 6 July 2018. 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 4 July and aim to return to school at about 6pm on Friday 6 July.**

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For both visits the 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 meet up with staff each evening. 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, with an 'Emergency Contact Card' which 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 each trip is £60.00 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, per trip if attending both, 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 your son/daughter would like to attend either of the Open Days, please make the above payment via Parentpay for the relevant trip(s) by Monday 23 April.

Students have also been emailed the information and will need to reply to Mrs Griffiths, by the above date, to confirm the Open Day(s) they would like to attend and the subject they are interested in.

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 or email her at griffithse@ripongrammar.co.uk

Yours sincerely

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