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24th April 2017

Re: Post-16 Taster days for Year 10 students

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you of some important dates at our local post-16 establishments. Over the last couple of years, taster days have become increasingly popular, and are now part of a marketing strategy aimed at Year 10 students who will be considering their options after their GCSE's. This may seem a long way off, but once they begin Year 11 in September, there is a real focus on college applications and post-16 options, so the earlier ideas can be explored the better.

If your child wishes to attend one of the taster days, they will have to make their own way there. Attendance at the taster days will be recorded as an Educational Visit. Please can you complete the reply slip so that your child's absence from school for the taster day can be marked accordingly.

Monday 26th/Tuesday 27th June – Plumpton College <https://www.plumpton.ac.uk>

Wednesday 5th July - Sussex Coast College Hastings <http://www.sussexcoast.ac.uk/>

Monday 10th July – Bexhill College http://www.bexhillcollege.ac.uk/docs2/about/taster_day.shtml

Tuesday 11th July – Sussex Downs College Eastbourne <http://www.sussexdowns.ac.uk/about/opentaster-days/>

Thursday 13th July – Sussex Downs College Lewes <http://www.sussexdowns.ac.uk/about/opentaster-days/>

Students should visit the appropriate website and register online. When the students register they are often asked to select the subject areas that they would like to join, and then individual timetables are created and sent out. It is very important that students input the correct information including date of birth, address etc as confirmation letters are often sent to parents. **SCCH** will also come in to school before the event to register any students who have been unable to register online. The subject areas may focus on AS/A2 level qualifications, or vocational courses. There will be a mix of traditional subjects that have been studied for GCSE, as well as new subjects such as Psychology, Media, Law, and Hospitality etc. It is therefore important that the students choose subjects that they may be interested in studying, and not those that their friends wish to study!

Any updates I receive will be posted on the Rye College Website, and our facebook and Twitter pages; so please ensure that you subscribe to these. I will also of course give messages to our Form Tutors to pass on. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at school, via email or telephone.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donna Starkey".

Donna Starkey

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Year 10 Post-16 Taster Days – Please return to student reception FAO Mrs Ferid

Name of student:

Form:

My child will be attending the following taster days. (Tick appropriate box)

Sussex Downs College Eastbourne – Tuesday 28th June

Rye Studio School – Tuesday 28th June

Rye Studio School – Wednesday 29th June

Sussex Coast College Hastings - Monday 4th July

Sussex Downs College Lewes – Wednesday 6th July

Bexhill College – Monday 11th July

I understand that it is the responsibility of my child to register for the taster days, and arrange the necessary transport - Rye College is not responsible for any travel costs incurred for these visits.

Name of Parent/Carer:

Signed: