

Newlands Girls' School

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Dear Parents and Carers

We are really excited to announce that we have managed to secure the opportunity to take all Year 10 students to visit a university during Term 5. This is a superb opportunity to experience a university campus, attend taster lectures as well as meet students and staff and learn about life at university.

While we know that progressing to University is not something every student will aspire to, this visit is a valuable opportunity to experience one of the many post 18 options and will enhance the careers learning that students have been working on in their tutor groups.

We will be taking students to **The University of Reading on 14th May 2024** and **Sussex University on 15th May 2024**. The Sussex trip will depart slightly earlier than the usual start of the school day however both trips will return by 4.00pm at the latest. All students are expected to wear full school uniform as usual.

The Year 10 team will be choosing the students who will attend on each day based on the lessons that they have on each day to ensure the minimum disruption; both university visits will offer similar programmes and both universities are similar, being highly regarded campus universities. Unfortunately, we will not be able to change the trip allocated to students.

The cost for each trip is £22. If you would like your daughter to take part in this trip, please go to:

<https://squidportal.squidcard.com/LoginPortal/> and log on to your child's sQuid account. Select the School Trips and Offers' purse, select the 'Y10 University Trips' and follow the instructions. There are some mandatory boxes that must be ticked before you can make the payment using your debit/credit card, namely:

- I give permission for my child to attend 'Y10 University Trip' on either Tuesday 14th May or Wednesday 15th May, and to travel to and from the venue by coach.
- I understand that my child will be allocated a place on either date and this date cannot be changed.
- I confirm that no medical or emergency contact details have changed since the last data collection and will inform the school/update Edulink immediately if this is not the case, and of any changes occurring in the meantime.
- I understand this contribution of £22.00 is non-refundable.
- I give permission for my daughter to be photographed and agree to relevant content being published by Newlands Girls' School on their social media.

The deadline for payments is Monday 15th April 2024

If you encounter any problems in using the e-payment system or have any questions regarding making the payment, please contact the School Finance Office on 01628 625068. Cheques and cash will not be accepted as payment for this trip. If your child is eligible for free school meals and you would like them to participate, please contact the School Finance Office on 01628 625068.

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We will notify students of the trip they have been allocated at the start of Term 5 and will confirm more detailed timings for each trip as well as logistics at the same time.

This is an amazing opportunity and we hope that all Year 10 students will want to take part in these visits to broaden their experience.

Yours sincerely



Mr A. Morbey
Deputy Headteacher



Miss K. Ash
Head of Year 10



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