

23rd September 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians

Re: Year 12 Higher Education Enrichment Visits – Tuesday 22nd October 2024

On Tuesday 22nd October, all Year 12 students will participate in a university visit, to either the University of Reading or the University of Hertfordshire. The aim of the visit is for students to gain an understanding of their various higher education choices, regardless of whether they currently intend to go to university after completing their A-Levels. All students will participate in sessions on how to apply to university and what to expect from student life at university. They will also be shown around the university campus by Student Ambassadors from either the University of Reading or the University of Hertfordshire.

Students will only be able to visit one of the universities on the day. They will need to select their first choice of university via a google form that will be sent to them, and places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Although every effort will be made to ensure that as many students as possible attend their first choice university on the trip, it cannot be guaranteed that your child will be able to attend their preferred choice.

For **both trips**, students will need to **arrive at school at 8:15am and meet in the Old Main Hall in order to depart at 8:45am**. We will travel via coach to the universities, arriving at approximately 9.45am. We will then depart at 2:15pm and expect to return to Ruislip High School by 3:30pm. Students should dress in accordance with the usual Sixth Form dress code.

We are asking for a contribution of **£17** to cover the cost of travel to be paid via ParentPay. We would be very grateful if you could make this payment on ParentPay in order to give your child permission to attend the trip. **Students will need to bring a packed lunch with them as there will not be an opportunity to purchase food at the university.** The final deadline for payment on ParentPay is **Monday 7th October, 2024**. Please contact me as soon as possible to let me know if you are likely to have any issues with payment, so that we can discuss appropriate support for your child to attend the trip.

The University of Hertfordshire

The University of Hertfordshire enjoys a prestigious reputation for research, ranking amongst the top universities in the UK for the quality of its research outputs. The university offers over 550 career-focused degree options, with particular strengths in Artificial Intelligence, Climate Change, and Food and Health.

The University of Reading

The University of Reading has a world class reputation for the quality of the university's research, teaching and links to business. Its Henley Business School is among the top 1% of business schools worldwide, with *The Financial Times* and *The Economist* both consistently ranking it as being one of the world's top business schools. In addition, the university is renowned for its teaching of marketing, agriculture, environmental science and geography, architecture and classics.



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Please contact me via the office@ruisliphigh.org.uk if you have any questions about the visit.

Yours sincerely

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