

14th January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Future Stars: An inspiring university programme for Year 7 students

As you may already know, we have a close working relationship with the UEA who are able to offer us as an academy a lot of exciting opportunities for our students that help with future aspirations, especially geared towards considering university as an option. Your child has been selected to take part in three workshops run by the UEA entitled 'Future Stars'. Future Stars is a fun introduction to university and is offered to Year 7 students who would benefit from an opportunity to learn more about university study and student life.

Future Stars aims are:

- For students to experience a positive introduction to university study and life.
- To learn about university and possible future career pathways.
- To discover how students learn at university.
- To explore the UEA campus and student accommodation.

The Future Stars programme includes:

- An in-school workshop about university and possible future careers which includes meeting UEA students and asking questions. This will take place on **Wednesday 26th February.**
- A student activity booklet with lots of information about university study and life.
- A visit to the UEA campus which includes fun learning activities such as a campus tour, a clubs and societies talk and a sports activity. This takes place on **Monday 10th March.** Please see below for more details.
- A second in-school workshop to reflect on the UEA campus visit, answer questions and award students with certificates and medals for taking part. This will take place on **Friday 14th March.**

Please note that the times of the visit to the university on Monday 10th March will require us to leave the academy at 8.30 am and we will not return until 3.30 pm, so students will not be able to catch the bus home from the academy, and possibly not to school, depending on when their school transport arrives at the academy (therefore you may need to make the necessary transport arrangements). We will travel to the UEA by a coach provided by the UEA with one of their partner companies. Mrs. Seaman, Student Support Leader, will accompany the students on the trip.

Dress code for the day will require students to wear their TNHA PE uniform, as they will be taking part in a sports activity.

For the visit to the university, they will also need to bring a packed lunch and drink with them, unless they are FSM, in which case we will organise food and drink for them for the day.

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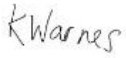
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If you agree to your child taking part in this opportunity, please can you complete the attached form and ask your child to deliver it to Mr. Bristow, Mrs. Seaman or myself (I am always at line up in the morning as I am a Year 7 tutor). During the visit to the university, the UEA may take photos of the students to use on social media. Please indicate on the consent form if you agree to this or not. **Consent forms should be returned no later than Friday 24th January.** Should you not wish your child to take part, please can you email me at your earliest convenience, so I am able to offer the place to another student. I thank you in advance.

I hope you agree this is an excellent opportunity for your child, but should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at kate.warnes@attrust.org.uk.

Yours faithfully



Mrs K. Warnes
Director of PSHEE & CEIAG