8th May 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 Visit to the College of West Anglia Monday 23rd June 2025

We have been offered by the College of West Anglia to take all students in Year 10 to the college, for them to have a taster day at the Kings Lynn campus Monday 23rd June

On the 13th May, students will be asked to make their selection of one subject they would like to have a session of, to see if it is something they would like to progress into following their GCSEs next year. The sessions will be offered on a first come, first served basis, so it would be sensible for students to consider a variety of subjects they might be interested in experiencing. The College of West Anglia has a huge range of subjects to choose from.

The format of the day will be leaving the academy at 9.15 am, travelling by coach. Once there, they will have their first session, followed by lunch. All students are asked to bring a packed lunch for the day, unless they are FSM, where the academy will provide one for them. Following lunch, they will go for their second subject taster session. We will be leaving the campus at 2 pm, so returning in time for school buses. If your child selects to participate in a sports subject, the College of West Anglia will be providing their own bus to transport them to the Sports Campus, which is a very short distance away, accompanied by College of West Anglia staff. On the consent form, please can you sign if you agree to this too. Please can I make clear that although staff members will of course be accompanying students to and from the college, it will not be possible for the academy staff members to accompany the students to all taster sessions, and so they will be in the care of the College of West Anglia staff. It goes without saying that the College staff have had all safeguarding training and DBS checks that we legally have to have at the academy. The academy staff will be with the students for lunch. There will also be other schools from the local area at this event.

Students will be able to wear non-school uniform, unless they are attending a taster session for Uniformed Services or a Sports subject, whereby they will need to be in PE kit ready please. Should they require overalls or protective footwear for the session, it will be provided by the college. Students will not be allowed to leave the college site at any point, unless travelling to the Sports Campus by bus. The college will also be providing them with a wristband, which must be worn at all times whilst at the college. Even if your child does not wish to attend the College of West Anglia following their GCSEs, this is an amazing opportunity to experience post-16 subjects to help them with their application choices in September, when we begin the process.

If you agree, please complete and sign the consent form attached and return it to your child's form tutor by Monday 2nd June. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

KWarner

Kate Warnes
Director of PSHEE & CEIAG

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