

May 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Higher Education and Careers Information Evenings for Parents/Carers June 2018

Most first year advanced level students are now actively considering their options for progression in Autumn 2019, whether to university or to employment and training. I am therefore writing to invite you to one of our Higher Education and Careers Evenings for parents to be held at the College in June. These evenings will provide parents with up-to-date information about university applications, apprenticeships and other progression options

We have arranged to hold the meetings on three occasions.

- Thursday 14th June for parents of tutor groups TG101 to TG116
- Wednesday 20th June for parents of tutor groups TG117 to TG133
- Thursday 21st June for parents of tutor groups TG134 to TG150

The meetings will start at 7.00pm

In order to keep numbers to a reasonable level, we would prefer you to come to the evening set aside for your daughter/son's tutor group. However, if this is not possible you are welcome to attend on one of the other evenings.

You will no doubt be aware that in recent years there have been significant changes to the financial arrangements for study at university. A member of the student finance department at the University of Teesside has kindly agreed to talk about arrangements for Higher Education in general at these evenings including how tuition fee loans are paid back and are designed to be affordable; the availability of grants and bursaries etc.

As well as giving information about the financial aspects of study at university, the meetings will be an opportunity for QE members of staff to give general information and advice about progression to university, choosing degree courses and the actual application procedure (UCAS system). There will also be a chance to learn about the variety of apprenticeship opportunities that students might wish to consider and other alternatives to university. While the evening is not intended for individual consultations with parents and students, there will be an opportunity to ask general questions at the end of the evening.

Over the past few weeks, students have been undertaking their own research into the progression options available to them after completing their studies at QE. A number of Higher Education/Careers talks and workshops have been arranged for students in the three weeks beginning 4th June. Students have chosen the talks they wish to attend in addition to their scheduled lessons during this period.

We would encourage you and your daughter/son to attend one of the information evenings so that you are fully aware of the range of Higher Education and career options available after QE.

If you would like to attend, please complete the slip below and return it to the College by post or hand in at Reception.

I look forward to seeing you at one of the evenings.

Yours sincerely



Meirion Baker
Assistant Principal

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I/We wish to attend the Higher Education Information Evening for Parents on (please tick appropriate box).

Thursday 14th June

Wednesday 20th June

Thursday 21st June

Name of Student _____ T.G. _____

Number attending

Please return this slip by Monday 4th June to Reception or by post to

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