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Richard Brand: Headteacher

Dear Parent / Carer,

### Re: Year 8 Visit to Bath University

I am pleased to inform you that, as part of the school's Aspirations Programme, your child has been offered the exciting opportunity to attend an 'Insight into University' day at the University of Bath on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October. The purpose of this is to support students as they begin to explore possible options in terms of careers and aspirations, to help them understand one of the many routes open to them post-16 and to begin to understand what studying at university is all about.

The University of Bath is a highly prestigious university, ranked eighth in the Guardian's 'Best UK Universities 2022' guide. The University has been awarded two Queen's Anniversary Prizes for Higher and Further Education; this is the country's most prestigious national recognition for a UK academic or vocational institution.

Students will discover more about higher education, participate in engaging and interactive workshops which focus on the benefits of higher education and why they may want to consider this as an option in the future. All workshops will be delivered by current higher education students and staff. Students will also experience a tour of the campus to familiarise themselves with this environment.

Transport from school to the University will be provided **free of charge**; buses will leave at 9am and return at 3pm. School staff will be accompanying the students on the coach and throughout the day. **Students will be required to bring their own lunch on the day and wear their normal school uniform.** If your child receives School Meal, we will provide lunch for them and we ask your child lets staff in the Finance Office know of this in advance.

Please be aware that the selection process is done by a **first come first serve basis due to a limited number of spaces**, and so it is important that your child signs up as soon as possible to avoid missing out.

In order to confirm your child's place on this trip, please log into Parent Pay and complete the Medical and Emergency Contact details by Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September as, without these, students will not be able to attend the visit.

Yours sincerely,

**Tom Fessey**  
Aspirations Co-Ordinator

