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21st May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

As you are aware, Year 11 students will be taking part in an Enrichment fortnight at school between 7th and 18th June. I am writing to provide you with some further details and request your support in signing your child up to this programme.

Monday, June 7th

On Monday, June 7th, **all Year 11 students** will be expected to attend school between 08:40am and 12:20pm. They will take part in a morning 'Post 16 Taster' session, which will involve mini A Level lessons for those students taking A Levels next year and guest talks by representatives from the local colleges for those doing vocational courses and apprenticeships. Students are able to come in in their own clothes and will be allowed to leave site from 12:20pm. If your child normally catches the bus, please encourage them to make alternative arrangements, or we can accommodate them in school until their normal school bus arrives. Please could you let us know if this is the case. Further information about the specific sessions your child will take part in will be provided to students next week. This letter will also include final arrangements for their Leavers' Day and the School Prom.

Tuesday, June 8th - Friday, June 18th

Between Tuesday 8th and Friday 18th June, **all Year 11 students** will be expected to take part in an exciting and free enrichment programme being run in school by the National Citizen Service. This is an opportunity for students to take part in a range of fun and developmental activities. A timetable for this is attached overleaf for your information. Please see below some key information about this:

- These days will run from 08:45 until 13:15. Again, please encourage your child to make alternative arrangements to get home if they normally catch a bus, or we can accommodate them in school until 15:10.
- Students should wear PE or Sports wear on Day 1 (June 8th) as this day will involve a range of outdoor activities led by Leap of Faith (<https://www.leapoffaith.co.uk/>). On all other days students can wear their own clothes and school hoodies.
- Please ensure your child has signed up to the NCS website in order for them to take part:
 1. Go to wearencs.com
 2. Click register now
 3. Fill out step 1 remembering to enter your school name (**Complete all information**)
 4. Fill out step 2, ignore the £50 price and the code box and make sure you choose the King Alfred students only programme.
 5. Fill out step 3, **including parent contact information**. Ignore the options to pay now and email parent/guardian
 6. Select Ask a question
 7. Select submit

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- Please complete the medical form that will be emailed to you directly from the NCS team. **Students will not be able to participate if this medical form has not been completed.**
- Students will need to go straight to their tutor rooms every day for registration at 8.40am.
- All activities and group work will be delivered by trained NCS staff. TKASA staff will be available on site to support.
- Students do not have to participate in all of the activities, but they will be encouraged to be part of their groups. Learning Support will be available as usual for students who are struggling with certain elements of the programme.
- This programme has been created for all students with all abilities and confidence levels. It is designed to help build confidence, teamwork, leadership and communication.
- If you have any questions or concerns at all, please email me or the NCS team directly if during half term: ncs@bydesign-group.co.uk
- The NCS team will contact all parents and carers during half term to check in and answer any questions you may have.

I sincerely hope that students take this opportunity in the spirit it is intended - to provide them with a fun experience after such a long period of uncertainty and disruption to their education.

Yours faithfully



George Penman
Acting Assistant Principal and Head of Year 11