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Dear Student and Parents/Carers

Tavistock College Sixth Form – Student Conference 2016

Students are invited to our **Sixth Form Conference** which will run on Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th July. The conference is an opportunity for our prospective 2016-17 Year 12 students to find out more about life in the Sixth Form and the courses and facilities that we offer. You will be able to meet the sixth form team and teachers, including your new sixth form tutor. Attendance at the conference helps to enable a smoother enrolment and transition into the Sixth Form, which is, as you can imagine, a big step up from Year 11 and GCSE study. It gives you a chance to attend taster lessons which will help you to finalise your subject choices and your decision to enrol with us for your post-16 education.

Students should sign in at 08:30 in the Main Hall on Wednesday 6th. Starting at 08:40 prompt, there will be an introduction and some key talks on the following:

- enrichment and making the most of the opportunities that sixth form presents
- the advice, guidance and support available to students
- study skills and learning independently
- what to do when your GCSE results are published on Thursday 25th August
- key details for final enrolment, which is expected to take place on Wednesday 31st August.

You will then be able to attend subject taster lessons which take place on Wednesday and on into Thursday. Students are expected to attend at least four different taster lessons, plus one of the 'planning for the future' sessions, which will cover both pathways of higher education and apprenticeships. Some subjects are very popular so there will be multiple sessions offered for courses with a high number of applicants. You will need to supply your own lunch on Wednesday 6th, or bring money to buy lunch in the Octagon Café (if you have credit on your cashless catering account this can be used as normal). However we will provide lunch, which we will have together in tutor groups, on Thursday 7th.

This is an important event that all prospective sixth form students should attend. If you are unable to attend for any reason or have any queries, please email us at l.mabey@tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk. We would also like to invite all parents/carers to a **Sixth Form Information Evening on Wednesday 6th July**, starting at 18:00 in the Main Hall and lasting approximately 45 minutes. The Head of Sixth Form and some of the sixth form team will be on hand to explain enrolment and general procedures, and it will be an opportunity for parents to ask any questions they may have about the transition process and sixth form.

We look forward to welcoming students to the conference and parents/carers at Sixth Form Information Evening. I wish students every success as you complete your final examinations.

Yours sincerely



Mrs S Hubbard
Head of Sixth Form

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