



1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

Dear Year 12 Parents/Carers

## **LIFE AFTER WADDES DON EVENING: Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June, 6pm – 7.30pm**

As noted in a letter last term, we would like to invite you into school for an important information evening about options for students once they have completed their Sixth Form studies with us. This evening will build on the careers' work we complete with students during assembly, form time and Extension Studies sessions across the year as well as the 'UCAS University and Apprenticeship Fair' which Year 12 attended in the Autumn term at Northampton University.

External experts will deliver three short presentations in the Sixth Form Building Auditorium on the following subjects:

- The benefits of a university education, selecting degree courses and making a competitive application (University of Leicester)
- The advantages of completing a higher or degree apprenticeship and how to apply (The Engineering Trust, but they will speak on the full range of apprenticeships)
- Making the most of a Gap Year (Project Trust)

We hope you will find the evening a useful insight into the pathways open to students at the end of Year 13. The evening is aimed at parents/carers, but students are welcome to attend if they want to.

If you would like information in advance of the evening, you may wish to visit the following websites: <https://www.ucas.com/discover/advice-for-parents-guardians-and-carers>

[www.notgoingtouni.co.uk](http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk)

<https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/zones/parent/>

Students will be issued with resources in the summer term with more detailed information about researching the options open to them as well as advice about how to write their Personal Statements. They also have access to an excellent online platform called Unifrog. We will have a "Parents/Carers' Guide to Post 18 Options" booklet for you on the evening.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening and supporting students with their plans for the future.

Yours sincerely

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Careers Advisor

Ms McIver  
Head of Sixth Form

Miss Aldridge  
Head of Year 12