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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Taster Day – Tuesday 23rd February, 2021

We have had lots of contact emails asking about application to Sixth Form which is great to see. We really want to support Year 11s in these uncertain times and our Sixth Form will be the perfect next step for most of our students. I wanted to let you know that, due to COVID-19, we are going to do things a little differently this year. Rather than students filling in a long application form and proving why they should get to stay, we will be offering everyone who will succeed on a pathway with us a place in Sixth Form automatically - if students will achieve getting to where they want to be with one of our courses, we want them here at Richard Rose Sixth Form.

With this in mind, our [Taster Day](#) is live on the school website and has been emailed out to students this week. Please click on the link above or visit the school website and sign up for subjects for the Taster Day on **Tuesday 23rd February, 2021**. The Taster Day will be online this year due to COVID-19 restrictions and will replace lessons that day. Students who do not sign up will be allocated sessions in subjects to attend based on their current options. The deadline for subject selections is Monday 22nd February, 2021 at 17.00. On Taster Day, the sessions with subject staff will run at:

09.15 - 10.00

10.15 - 11.00

11.30 - 12.15

13.00 - 13.45

14.00 - 14.45

I will produce a generic timetable as well, should anyone sign up last minute or change their mind on a subject to attend on the day. There will also be a chance to meet form tutors at 08.45 - 09.00 and a Q&A with me from 14.45 to 15.30 if you have anything that you would like to check. If the options a student wants aren't available on the taster day options form – please let me know! We have a week to make some changes to make RRSF the right place for everyone! Looking further ahead, the roadmap to success in RRSF:



Principal: Miss C Bacon

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RRSF: The Road ahead to success!



Event	Purpose	Date
Contact calls	We will make contact with all Y11s about Taster Day and what you are thinking of doing next year via Teams or telephone	From 10 th February 2021
Taster Day	Narrow subject choices from 6 to 3/4	Tuesday 23 rd February 2021 (Sign up form goes live 8 th February 2021)
Application Support	After Taster Day, your form tutors will help you to complete a "streamlined" application form	Tuesday 23 rd February 2021
Letter of Entry	Confirming choices and setting out "Step Up"	On application!
Step Up	Lots of activities and support for the transition from Year 11 to Year 12 and preparation for the subjects you have chosen to ensure that you hit the ground running!	Summer Term 2021
Results Day	Confirm subject choices and confirm attendance at Induction Day	TBC – planned for early July
Induction Day	ID pictures for your badges, re-confirming details and handing out your starter giftpacks!	TBC – the day AFTER Results Day!

Thank you for your continued support and as always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Yours faithfully



Mr S Howarth
Assistant Principal and Head of Sixth Form