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Dear Parent/Carer

In the summer term, most post-16 centres offer Year 10 the opportunity to attend a taster day to find out more about courses and their establishments. My role at the college includes supporting Year 11 students to gain the best outcomes from their GCSEs and also securing the most appropriate place at a post-16 centre when they leave us.

While September 2019 might seem a long time away, the reality is that current Year 10 students need to have finalised their applications to post-16 centres by Christmas 2018 and so it is good to start getting a feel for what and where students may wish to study. Towards the end of the summer term, Year 10 will be introduced to UCAS Progress, which is where they can find out about courses and make applications. In the autumn term of Year 11 there will be a Post-16 Evening at the college and lots of information about open evenings and support in college to make appropriate applications. We would like all Year 10 students to attend at least one and preferably two 'Taster Days' next term.

90% of those currently in Year 11 are hoping to go to one of the following post-16 centres. The dates for their Year 10 Taster Days are detailed below:

Bishop Laney, Ely College Sixth Form	26 June
Long Road	28 June
Cambridge Regional College	19 June
College of West Anglia, Cambridge	26 June
Hills Road	29 June

We currently have information from CRC and Long Road about booking onto their Taster Days and I have attached this for your information. When information comes through for the others, I will forward to you. For all of these dates, students will be expected to make their own way there. If you have any issues with this, please let me know. Students are not required to wear school uniform on these Taster Days.

Should your child wish to sign up for the CRC Taster Day, please complete the booking form and return directly to me or email the completed form. We would like all Ely College students wishing to participate to attend the Cambridge Campus on 19 June. Students should select one choice of subject and then two alternatives. It is important to list and special needs, health issues, medical conditions or accessibility requirements on the form too. The deadline for the forms to be returned is Friday 27 April.

Should your child wish to sign up for the Long Road Taster Day, please complete the booking form and return directly to me or email the completed form. We would like all Ely College students wishing to participate to attend on 28 June. Students should select 7 subjects and will attend 5 of them on the day. The deadline for the forms to be returned is Friday 20 April.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rachael Mustill'.

Rachael Mustill
Year 11 Achievement Lead

