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Dear Parent/Carer of

We are fortunate to have been given the opportunity to visit the both the Economics and Business Faculties at the University of Essex on 11th November.

Increasingly, our 6th form students seem to be looking at Universities nearer to home for a variety of reasons. Essex is a very good example of a 'campus style university', has approximately 15,000 students and so is a medium-sized, tertiary institution. It ranks in the top 30 for Economics (Guardian 2021) and has an up-and-coming Business Management School driven by its MBA programmes. The two faculties share some facilities, such as the new management building, optional addition modules and direct access for the Bloomberg stock market trading platforms and lecture theatres.

The trip is intended as a 'taster of University and undergraduate life on Economics and Business courses' and is not selling just the University of Essex. I would hope it might provide a useful exercise for students to reflect upon when planning their life after Farlingaye. The main target group for the trip is Year 12 students who are considering a degree in the future, but it might be useful for students in Year 13 who may have missed open days and want to see the campus.

Although subject to change, at this stage we plan that students will be given the opportunity to participate in either a Business or Economics taster sessions (which will depend upon demand and numbers), a tour of the campus, the sports facilities and accommodation. All of them will be given an overview of the university, the application process and student life by the admissions staff. Students will be given free time for lunch and they will need to bring food with them, although there may be limited access to the facilities on campus if needed.

Parents should be aware that it is school policy that participation in a trip will be dependent on staff feeling confident that your son/daughter will behave appropriately. In particular, poor behaviour between now and the date of the trip is likely to result in your child being withdrawn from the trip. The decision of the Head teacher on this matter is final.

As parents you need to be aware that, as with all school trips, there is an element of risk. On this particular trip we will be travelling by coach. We intend to depart from the bus park at 9.10 am once students have registered and we will be back in school by 3.15 pm to ensure students can make their usual arrangements to get home.

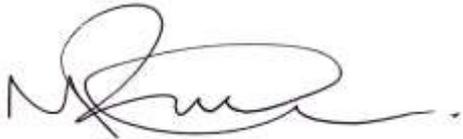
The charge for the trip is £7 to cover transport costs. Consent and expression of interest can be made by completing the form below by 15th October and will be on a first come first served basis, with priority given to Year 12 students. Demand for this trip is likely to be high and, for that reason, only those successful in securing a place will be asked for payment via Parent Pay, which should be received **by 5th November**.

[University of Essex trip consent form](#)

If your son/daughter is not allocated a place on the trip, please note that University of Essex are holding an Open Day on Saturday 23rd October.

If you have any questions or concerns about the trip, including difficulties in meeting the cost of the trip, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mr Edge', written in a cursive style.

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