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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that your child has enjoyed the start of the new term at Farlingaye. I have been very impressed by how positively the students have begun the school year.

I thought it would be useful to write to outline the support available for year 13 students in terms of preparing for next steps. As you are aware students have an Additional Studies lesson each week. In this lesson, students are being guided through the UCAS application process and alternative pathways.

To support parents/carers/students in this process I am pleased to announce that on the 30<sup>th</sup> of September the University of Suffolk are hosting an online information evening specifically for Farlingaye from 7-9pm. This will take place on the online platform unibuddy, I will send out all log in details nearer the time. They will be covering the following information in thirty-minute sessions, which means you are able to only attend the sessions that you feel are relevant.

- Why go to university?
- Student Finance
- Higher and Degree Apprenticeships
- A question and answer session on all information regarding next steps.

### UCAS and deadlines

Students have had an assembly covering the key information and deadlines about UCAS. It is vital that students meet these deadlines in able to allow us to process our part of the application.

The deadline for students to hit pay and sent (this means that the application is received by us to allow us to check and add our reference) for early entrants (students applying for the following subjects medics/vets/Oxbridge/conservatoire) is the **21<sup>st</sup> September.**

For all other subjects the UCAS applications the deadline to hit pay and send is the **23<sup>rd</sup> October.**

To further support students in the application process students are able to book an appointment to see Ms Tyndale-Hardy. She will be able to look at personal statements and guide students through the UCAS process. Students are aware that they can sign up to see Ms Tyndale Hardy outside of my office in the Sixth Form block.

### **Apprenticeship Applications**

We are also pleased to announce that we are again this year working with Aim Apprenticeships. On Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of September, there will be a presentation for students who are interested in an Apprenticeships, this will take place during registration in the study room via a zoom call. Then on the 30<sup>th</sup> of September, there will be an interactive workshop also taking place in registration. Students should register their interest in these events with myself.

Please do not hesitate to contact Mr Tait (Head of Year 13) or myself directly if you have any further questions,

Kind regards

Mrs Stuart  
Assistant Headteacher/Director of Sixth Form