

12 June 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Next Steps Week: Monday 25 to Friday 29 June 2018

Further to my letter dated 15 May 2018, I wanted to take the opportunity to remind you that all Year 12 students will be participating in 'Next Steps Week' between Monday 25 June and Friday 29 June 2018. As mentioned in the letter, on Monday 25 June 2018, students will be involved in a variety of community events around the Harrogate district, where they will work is small teams developing their skills of communication, team working and leadership.

The schedule for the day has now been confirmed and your son/daughter has been informed. Students will be divided into small groups, accompanied by a member of Rossett School staff and, for a number of the activities, a representative from Harrogate Borough Council will also be present. The students will be involved in activities to support the local area, with particular focus on Hookstone Woods, the Pinewoods, Harlow Hill Methodist church and our school sensory garden. Students will be located at specific sites across Harrogate, undertaking activities such as clearing vegetation, litter picking and painting. We believe that this is a fantastic opportunity for all students to give back to our local community.

Students are required to register in the Sixth Form study centre at 8:50am on Monday 25 June. They will be allocated a group and will make their way to the first activity either by foot or transported in the school mini bus. Students will undertake a different activity in the afternoon and will either walk, depending on location, or again be transported by the school mini bus. The activities will be completed by 14:30pm and students will be transported back to school if necessary or will be free to make their own way home.

Students will be required to wear old, comfortable clothing (long sleeves) and sensible footwear (boots or trainers) but no open toed footwear. We are hopeful of good weather but coats should be brought if the weather looks inclement. The students will be required to bring a packed lunch, water and snacks for the day. Sunscreen should also be brought.

Mrs Guinness will have access to the school minibus and will be visiting each site; she will also be oncall throughout the day. Harrogate Council would like to publicise the student's activities via social media and the local press. The students have already returned their permission and medical consent forms for this activity however, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

I would also like to take the opportunity to remind you that at 7pm on Tuesday 26 June 2018 we are holding an Information Evening for parents outlining ways in which you can support your son/daughter with university and student finance applications as part of the Next Steps week programme.

Yours sincerely

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Mr B Foley

Director of Sixth Form