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Dear Students, Parents / Carers

### **WeST Supra Curriculum**

As you are aware, last year we launched the **WeST Supra Curriculum**, an academic enrichment programme collaboratively designed across all WeST Sixth Forms to give our students additional opportunities to develop their critical thinking and understanding of the complexities of the world around them, and build their confidence to challenge ideas and perspectives.

Our aim is to provide all our students with access to powerful knowledge and academic experiences beyond the limitations of their own experience and beyond their course specifications. We hope to help give our students the 'edge' through additional academic enrichment so that they are able to manage the demands of Higher Education and Training, and compete successfully locally, nationally and globally for the best Higher Education, training opportunities and future employment.

This year we are delighted to be running our second WeST Sixth Form Summer Conference, hosted by Plymouth University. The conference, fully funded by the schools, will take place on Friday 14 June. The programme for the day will include Key Note talks and three seminar sessions or lectures. Students will choose from a range of options in each session, delivered by guest speakers, specialists from within our WeST schools and university lecturers. The seminar sessions range across a variety of topics, from politics and philosophy to finance and sustainability. Alongside the seminars, Student Ambassadors and Support Services from Plymouth University will be on hand to give optional campus tours and answer any questions students may have at this crucial time about university life.

We are extremely excited to be able to provide this event again this year for all of our students and believe it will be a truly inspirational day for our young people.



A consent form for the event is available on Parent Pay and must be completed by **5pm on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June**. Although the conference is fully funded, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £3.00 please to support the cost of the provided transport. There is an option to do so on your child's ParentPay account. The option to support the cost of the transport will remain open until the day of the event.

Transport will be leaving South Dartmoor at 9:00am and will leave Plymouth at 2:30pm in order to return by the end of the school day. Please ensure that you give your consent on Parent Pay for your young person to go. Many thanks.

Kind regards

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