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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing with some updates on the forthcoming post-16 taster days being offered to Year 10 students.

If your child is booked to attend the Stroud College taster day on Wednesday 5th July

- Students will need to wear school uniform.
- We will be travelling via school minibus departing at 8.50am, returning to school in time for lunch as usual. Students will need to ensure they bring their books for lesson 5.
- If students have selected a potentially 'messy' subject taster such as construction, they should bring an old jumper and jogging bottoms to put on over their uniform. They will be supplied with safety clothing/ boots where required.
- Individual student timetables with room numbers will be supplied on the day, however if they have not been contacted by Cirencester College via email, the subjects they have chosen are confirmed.

If your child is booked to attend the Cirencester College taster day on Monday 10th July

- Students are permitted to wear non-uniform, providing it is suitable for a working environment (e.g. no bare shoulders/midriffs, skirts/shorts of an appropriate length, flat closed-toe footwear).
- We will be travelling via two coaches, departing at 8.50am. Students will need to bring a pencil-case however no books are required.
- We will be returning by 3.40pm so please ensure there are suitable travel arrangements for them to get home. They will be able to catch the 4.15pm Stagecoach to Stroud if necessary.
- Students will be provided with a packed lunch, however should your child have food allergies or specific dietary requirements, we cannot ensure Cirencester College will cater for this, so we would recommend providing their own packed lunch if this applies to your child.
- Students will be emailed their personal timetables to their school email address, so they will need to ensure they have printed this or written this down in advance, including the room numbers of their subject tasters.

For both taster days

- There are still a number of consent forms outstanding for both taster days. Please ensure you have either returned this form or emailed in to give permission for your child to attend.
- Students may wish to bring additional food for break times, and should ensure they have a drink/water bottle with them.
- Students who normally carry a prescribed asthma inhaler should take this with them. Please check that it is effective. If children need other medicines, please inform the school office as normal.
- If your child will be absent on the day of their college taster, please ensure the school office are notified, as soon as possible, in the morning to ensure we are not waiting for them before departing.

If you have any questions about either taster day, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Miss V Cannam Careers Lead.