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Dear Parent/Carer

New College Pontefract Taster Day

I am writing to inform you that your son/daughter has been given the fantastic opportunity to visit New College Pontefract and experience a Taster Day on Friday 3rd December 2021.

Students will need to arrive at school at the normal time of 08:55 am, with coaches departing for New College at approximately 9:00 am. The taster day finishes at 14:20 pm with students arriving back at school for approximately 15:00 pm in time for the school buses. Staff members from Carleton High will travel to and from New College and will remain there throughout the day.

The idea behind the Taster Day is that all students who are considering New College as a post-16 option (or would like to know more about a sixth form college) are able to experience the College first hand before making their important choices early in Year 11. Students will receive a welcome from the Principal, Vicky Marks and the Vice Principal, Neil Mumby. They will then experience four subject sessions, which they will have selected in advance of the day. The fifth session of the day will be a **Pathway to Progression Tutorial**, which will focus on the different career options available and the steps to take to achieve it.

To select taster day subjects, visit http://www.ncpontefract.ac.uk/tasterday/
Please note: students should consider subject specific entry requirements before they make their choices (www.ncpontefract.ac.uk/subject-specific-requirements/).

In order to support them with their subject selection, there will be opportunities to complete the subject selection during form time in the coming weeks.

On the day, students are **not** required to wear school uniform and are advised to bring a pen. Lunch will be provided by the College, but if students would like to purchase refreshments at break they will require some money.

I am confident this will be an informative experience for your son/daughter and hopefully play a key part in the decision process of which post-16 option is right for them. It will also help them in terms of which A Levels/Applied General Courses they will choose to study post-16 and help them to consider their career options.

If you have any questions or queries about any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact either myself on 01977 781555 or indeed, New College directly on 01977 702139 and speak to a member of the Student Services Team.

Yours faithfully.

Mr M Loftus

Assistant Headteacher