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Dear Parents/Guardian,

As part of our ongoing commitment to supporting the students with their future choices, we usually host a 'Sixth Form Taster Day' during this half term. This allows the students to spend the day as a sixth former and have the opportunity to make informed decisions about their path after year 11. Those who would prefer a college route, would also usually have the opportunity to visit a college for this experience.

This day was planned in the calendar for Friday 12th February before circumstances changed this month. However, while we cannot have the students on site, we would still like to give them an opportunity to find out more about the 'A' level subjects on offer and will run the day virtually. The students will be sent a Google form from which they pick four subjects they are interested in. They will then be invited to 'Teams' lessons. Although not in person, the lessons will still have an element of interaction so the students can get an experience of the subject.

There will also be a presentation and virtual tour by South Tyneside College during lesson five and your son/daughter will be informed if this is an area they have expressed an interest in or may be suitable for them.

Thank you for your ongoing support and I hope that the students enjoy this change and challenge for the day.

Mrs M Kerr

Head of Year 13