

# Tapton SCHOOL

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Dear Parents, Carers and Year 12 Students,

## The Post-18 Destinations Evening - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May, 5pm-9pm

At this time of year we start to turn our attention to Post-18 Destinations. We would like to invite parents, carers and students to an evening of presentations outlining the options available for students when they leave Tapton. Parents, carers and students will have the option to choose from a range of presentations, outlined below. We are splitting our evening into two routes: University or Apprenticeship/Employment Route.

The two routes overlap in places, for example Gap Year, Apprenticeships, What Parents Really Want to Know, therefore you are very welcome to book sessions in either route but make sure you get to see what you are most interested in.

### University Route

- Post-18 Options at Tapton – *Andrew Wright, Head of Sixth Form*  
*This session will provide you with **essential information** regarding student options and school support and will be followed by the opportunity for a brief question and answer session.*
- Applying to Medicine and Dentistry (*Drew Tarmey, University of Manchester*)
- Applying to Cambridge or Oxford (*Virtual with Tom McGatchie, Cambridge University*)
- The UCAS Process and Competitive Universities - *Everything you need to know about the UCAS process and also Applying to Competitive Universities (Bernard Strutt, University of Manchester)*
- Introducing Apprenticeships - *Higher and Degree (Jack Hellewell, Sheffield Hallam University)*
- Gap Year – *Making the Most of a Year Out (Carol James, Independent Careers Adviser)*
- Student Finance (*Leeds Beckett University*)
- What Parents Really Want to Know About University – *Clearing up Common Misconceptions of University (Chris Stead - University of Sheffield)*

### Apprenticeship/Employment Route

- Post-18 Options at Tapton – *Andrew Wright, Head of Sixth Form*  
*This session will provide you with **essential information** regarding student options and school support and will be followed by the opportunity for a brief question and answer session.*
- Preparing for Employment (*Helen Brown, Department of Work and Pensions*)
- Introducing Apprenticeships - *Higher and Degree (Jack Hellewell, Sheffield Hallam University)*
- Gap Year – *Making the Most of a Year Out (Carol James, Independent Careers Adviser)*
- What Parents Really Want to Know About University – *Clearing up Common Misconceptions of University (Chris Stead - University of Sheffield)*
- Careers appointments – pre-bookable, individual appointments on a first come, first served basis, *if your child is unsure about their Post-18 direction or wish to leave at the end of Y12.*



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**We highly recommended that both students and parents/carers attend. In order to attend you will need to book your sessions by clicking on the Eventbrite link:**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tapton-post-18-destinations-evening-2024-tickets-887570135167>

Numbers are restricted to a maximum of 30 in classrooms, 90 in the New Hall and 210 in the Main Hall. In order to accommodate our anticipated turnout, we will need to restrict numbers to two per family, one for parent/carer and the other for our student (this does not include under 12s who do not need a ticket). **When booking tickets, please book an entry ticket (this will need to be produced on arrival) you will then need to book into each session that you wish to attend, have a copy of the schedule open (at the bottom of this letter) so that you can work out the order of the sessions you want to attend.** Tickets for each session will be available on a first come first served basis, the **Eventbrite booking system** will be open on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 3pm and close on 6<sup>th</sup> May at 12pm.**

We are sure that the evening will prove to be informative and interesting, enabling students, parents and carers to plan ahead and prepare for life beyond Tapton. If you have any questions or queries, please email me at [awright9@taptonschool.co.uk](mailto:awright9@taptonschool.co.uk)

Yours faithfully



Andrew Wright  
Head of Sixth Form



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| <b>Apprenticeship &amp; Employment Route</b> |                                                                                                    |                                                          |                                                                                         |                                                                                               |
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| 5.00pm-5.30pm                                | <b>Individual Career Appointments</b><br>Carol James<br>Independent<br>Careers Advisor<br>Room 002 |                                                          |                                                                                         |                                                                                               |
| 5.30pm-6pm                                   |                                                                                                    | <b>Post 18 Options</b> A Wright Tpton Main Hall          |                                                                                         |                                                                                               |
| 6.05pm-6.35pm                                | <b>Gap Year</b><br>Carol James<br>Careers Advisor<br>Main Hall                                     | <b>Employment</b><br>Helen Brown<br>DWP<br>Room 007      | <b>Apprenticeships</b><br>Jack Hellewell<br>Sheffield Hallam<br>University<br>New Hall  |                                                                                               |
| 6.40pm-7.10pm                                |                                                                                                    | <b>Employment</b><br>Helen Brown<br>DWP<br>Room 007      | <b>Apprenticeships</b><br>Jack Hellewell<br>Sheffield Hallam<br>University<br>Main Hall | <b>What Parents Really Want to Know</b><br>Chris Stead<br>University of Sheffield<br>Room 004 |
| 7.15pm-7.45pm                                | <b>Individual Career Appointments</b><br>Carol James<br>Independent<br>Careers Advisor<br>Room 002 |                                                          |                                                                                         | <b>What Parents Really Want to Know</b><br>Chris Stead<br>University of Sheffield<br>New Hall |
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| 8.25pm-8.55pm                                | <b>Gap Year</b><br>Carol James<br>Careers Advisor<br>Room 002                                      |                                                          |                                                                                         |                                                                                               |

| <b>University Route</b> |                                                                                               |                                                                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                                              |                                                                                         |                                                                      |
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