Dear Parent/carer

As your child approaches the end of year 10, we are happy to be able to tell you that Sixth Form and Further Education College taster days will occur. This will support your child in making their choices around their next steps. On Friday 27th June your child has chosen to attend a taster day at Tameside College. Students must wear school uniform, but if they are partaking in a sports option this should be the school PE kit. If students are not wearing the correct uniform they will not be allowed to attend the visit and will remain in school for the day.

Please could you consent for your child to attend Tameside College via parentpay. It should be noted that the trip is fully funded, but consent is required to take your child to the college. Please note that students will be required to bring their own packed lunch, or money to purchase a lunch from our subsidised canteen.  Some hot food including chips, burgers and a selection of sandwiches will be available. Costa Coffee is also served. Students would not need more than £5. The average cost is £3.50 for a hot lunch takeaway box. Students who are entitled to a free school meal will still have that provision.

Your child will have received some information about the courses available at this college and they have been asked to choose 3/4 subjects they would like to attend workshops on throughout the course of the day. Please talk to your child about the choices they have made and how this may help with their choices moving forward.

The day will commence with the coach picking students up from school at 9.00. Students should be prompt to school where they will **register in forms, as normal at 8.40**, before travelling via coach to Tameside College and following the timetable below:-

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| 9:45am | Arrival and register |
| 10:15-11.45am | Workshop 1 |
| 11.45-12.25pm | Lunch |
| 12.30-12.45pm | Afternoon registration |
| 12.45-2.15pm | Workshop 2 |
| 2:30pm | Departure |

It is predicted that students will return in time for the end of the normal school day, but please be aware that traffic can be unpredictable and so may vary. Your child will immediately be dismissed from school upon the coach’s return.

This is a fantastic opportunity for your child, and even if they do not attend this college post 16, it is an excellent opportunity to get a taste of college life and some of the subjects and courses on offer at this level.

Yours Sincerely

Miss C Duffy

Head of Year 10