



# Midhurst Rother College

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Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your support of our trip next Wednesday to St John's College, Oxford. Mrs Hathaway and I are looking forward to accompanying this group of thirty students on a very interesting visit. We hope it will be an opportunity to learn a lot about university life and gain inspiration from young people who have already worked very hard and succeeded in gaining a place to study there.

For details of our visit please see the attached schedule. Please note that our coach will leave from College at 7.50am, so we would like to meet the students in the car park at 7.45am. This may mean you need to bring your son or daughter that morning if their coach normally arrives later than this time to College. The students do not need to bring packed lunch or any money as St. John's College will provide snacks and lunch. After our visit to the museum, we will walk through the city centre then head back to College at 4.15pm, hoping to arrive in Midhurst at 6.45pm. I will ask the students to text you when we are half an hour away from College, so you can pick them up. However, do please let me know by email ([Fiona.Lunskey@mrc-academy.org](mailto:Fiona.Lunskey@mrc-academy.org)) if your child may make their own way home.

There are more students wishing to attend, currently on a waiting list. Should your child not be able to attend next Wednesday for any reason, please let me know by email any time before our departure time in order to have a correct register and/or invite a student on the waiting list.

Yours sincerely

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Director for Challenge



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**St John's College, University of Oxford**  
**KS4 Visit Day – Programme of Events**  
**Midhurst Rother College – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

- 10.30am**      **Arrival**  
A welcome to St John's college with refreshments.
- 10.35am**      **Oxford Quiz**  
A short multiple-choice quiz on Oxford University.
- 10.45am**      **Oxford Explained**  
Presentation introducing Oxford, the collegiate system, its courses and opportunities.
- 11.15am**      **Q&A with Current Students**  
Your chance to grill some current undergraduates about their life at Oxford University.
- 11.30am**      **Critical Thinking Seminar**  
An introduction to critical thinking and approaching the tough questions you might face in an Oxford interview.
- 12.30pm**      **Lunch in Hall**
- 13.15pm**      **Tour of St John's College**  
Take a look around St John's, which was founded in 1555, and is now home to over 400 students
- 14.00pm**      **University of Oxford Natural History Museum**  
An opportunity to explore the resources of a key research museum at Oxford. There will be an object handling session with the education officer followed by some time to explore the museum independently.
- 15.00pm**      **Conclusion and Evaluation**  
Your chance to give us feedback on the day.
- 15.15pm**      **Depart**