1st April 2019

Dear Parents,

Year 12 University Preparation Week

In preparation for student applications to universities and colleges next academic year, we are running a university planning course from 17th - 21st June 2019. Sessions for students will be within the timings of a normal school day and will include:

- Specific information about the university systems that students wish to enter;
- Information about how to select a suitable course / institution;
- Information about how applications to different international systems work;
- Sessions on writing personal statements and essays;
- Information about the cost of university study in different regions;
- Setting up UCAS and Common App accounts for applicants to the UK and USA;
- Information about testing;
- One-to-one guidance and advice;
- Individual time to research courses and institutions.

This is an excellent opportunity for students to use the time following their AS Level examinations productively and to get started on preparations for next academic year. This will lead to stronger applications, allow for more informed decisions and ensure that the application process does not intrude upon their A Level progress next year. There will be sessions specifically for parents, at 8am for 20 minutes in C3, and they are also invited to attend any part of the week they find useful. A detailed schedule will be sent round before the course begins.

**Students are expected to attend relevant sessions unless they have specific permission from school not to attend.** Those few students who missed the week last year found the application process much more difficult and it did have an impact on their academic progress and the quality of their applications. The information will not be repeated in the new academic year and it is often too late to do the research and preparation essential for a good application.
If you have any queries or want to discuss any aspect of the week, please contact me via email (smoore@tbs.edu.np) or by contacting the Sixth Form office (samaharjan@tbs.edu.np).

Yours sincerely

Mr. Sean Moore
Higher Education Coordinator

Uni Week Schedule

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**Mon 17th June**
- Parent Nano-Session: What’s the difference? Comparing systems worldwide
- Welcome and how to make the most of the week
- What’s the difference? Comparing university systems worldwide
- Search 101: How to choose a university
- Search 102: How to choose a course
- Research task: University webquest
- Individual appointments / research

**Tues 18th June**
- Parent Nano-Session: Applying to UK & European universities
- How do unis choose you? Admissions criteria
- Personal statements – UK / Australia
- Personal letters – USA
- References and recommendations - How is it done?
- Admissions panel: who would you let in?
- Individual appointments

**Weds 19th June**
- Parent Nano-Session: Applying to USA and Canadian universities
- Money matters: What does it cost and where is money available?
- What, when 101: UK / Europe application timeline
- What, when 102: USA / Canada application timeline
- US: Common App - a user's guide
- USEF Presentation: study in the US & Visas
- Individual appointments

**Thurs 20th June**
- Parent Nano-Session: The 5 Year Plan: What should my child be doing?
- UK: Apply and UCAS - a user's guide
- Student UCAS and Common App accounts
- What, when 103: Asia application timeline
- Researching Unis in Asia. Additional Tests – SATs and other tests
- University presentations
- Individual appointments

**Fri 21st June**
- Parent Nano-Session: What does university cost? An international comparison
- Medical and related courses admissions
- Oxbridge application process and interviews
- Individual appointments / research
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