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Personalised to all L6th parents

Dear Parents

### **Centigrade Questionnaire – Higher Education**

In the next few weeks your daughter will complete a Centigrade Questionnaire which is endorsed by UCAS. The questionnaire is used to assess your daughter's interests, abilities, and personal qualities. This assessment matches students with courses of higher education available throughout the UK and Republic of Ireland at mainly degree level. It identifies the universities and colleges that offer well-matched courses and presents all this information in a personal workbook.

The Centigrade programme then encourages the young person to undertake a programme of structured research via Action Plans and Course Analysis Forms, before making the final choices required by UCAS.

In addition your daughter will receive a personal workbook containing:

- A personal interest profile of over 50 course areas relating to her strongest interests and abilities.
- Six to eight double-page course selection worksheets for the most relevant course areas.
- Course titles, together with universities and colleges within the student's broad ability range.
- Supporting factors: bar graphs and notes challenging or confirming choices.
- An Action Plan and Course Analysis Forms for further personal structured research.
- A selection of open days, taster courses and higher education conventions matching interests.
- A checklist for university visits and a map showing university locations.
- Details of art and design courses if applicable.

Yours sincerely

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