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Dear Parent or Carer,

### **Life and Soul Day – Thursday 26 October 2023**

I am writing to inform you of an exciting day of learning for your child on Thursday 26 October 2023. At The Hart School we provide all pupils with the chance to learn beyond the curriculum, something which we are extremely proud of.

As well as offering a strong curriculum, we are continuing to develop our Life and Soul Days. These are excellent opportunities for all students to extend their learning beyond the curriculum and work with peers in a group environment. During the Life and Soul days students develop highly important transferrable skills for the future.

On our upcoming Life and Soul Day, our Year 7 students will be exploring the theme of structure which will form our CET knowledge connected day. Students will be able to identify the parts and whole of a structure, and how they fit together; whether physical (e.g. a building) or intellectual (e.g. a story).

Our Year 8 students will be carrying out a series of team building activities to recognise the importance of effective communication and the importance of inclusivity as well as recognising the value of creative thinking to overcome obstacles. They will develop a range of transferable skills as well as understanding the importance of planning before executing ideas.

Year 9 students will have the opportunity to visit the Thinktank which is an award-winning science museum in Birmingham. The aim of the visit is for students to enrich their learning, and this will also link to their science scheme of learning.

We will be launching work experience for our Year 10 students which is calendared for week commencing Monday 15 July 2024. Students will have the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the online portal as well as understanding the importance of the WEX week.

Year 11 will have the opportunity to meet an English Literature senior examiner who will lead targeted sessions to Year 11 students on An Inspector Calls and unseen poetry. This is the same senior examiner who will be marking the students' PPE papers in November so this session has been designed to show the students exactly what the examiners are looking for in their responses. It is a crucial session in preparing students for their mock examinations in November. Students will also have the opportunity to visit the in-school



careers fair where we will have a variety of post 16 providers, universities, apprenticeship providers and employers students can talk to and learn more about the choices available to them.

Our Year 12 students will be visiting DE Montfort University for a taste of student life. Students will participate in a seminar, gain a tour of the campus and accommodation as well as being able to talk to the student reps. Whilst Year 13 will be getting to grips with study skills with workshops from Higher Horizons.

Throughout the day all year groups will gain an understanding of careers and will have the opportunity to visit the careers fair. The careers fair is also open to parents and students' afterschool from 3.15pm – 4.00pm.

We are looking forward to seeing the creativity, ambition and potential of our students come to life through our extended curriculum.

Yours sincerely

Miss S Dosanjh  
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