



Whitburn Church of England Academy

An Academy with Specialist Status in Maths and Computing

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'Excellence for All'

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Alternative Curriculum Day – Thursday 13th November 2014

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you of exciting plans for our Alternative Curriculum Day this year. Pupils will participate in a variety of events which we have planned to be delivered by both our own staff and external providers.

All year groups will have the opportunity to work creatively on the day learning to **collaborate and develop teamwork** through active learning situations. The pupils will develop their **higher order thinking skills** further and will be given **challenging learning activities** that are motivating as well as engaging.

A brief title for each year group's activity is given below:

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| Year 7 | Whitburn Village Trail and Church visit |
| Year 8 | Theatre Company with performance and interactive workshops |
| Year 9 | Theatre Company with performance and interactive workshops |
| Year 10 | Techniques for Examination Success and Team Building |
| Year 11 | Conference Day at the Stadium of Light with a focus on Higher Education and Techniques for Examination Success |

The Alternative Curriculum Day will follow the normal Academy starting and finishing times for Years 7 – 10, from 8:45am – 3:30pm and the scholars' bus service will run as normal.

Parents/carers have been issued with information regarding the Year 11 day in a separate letter. Year 11 pupils will make their own way to the Stadium of Light for a 9:00am start and will make their own way home after dismissal at approximately 2:45pm.

Year 11 pupils should wear smart interview dress and Year 7 – 10 pupils should wear correct school uniform as usual.

I am sure everyone will enjoy and benefit from the day.

Yours faithfully

**A Hardie
Principal**

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