



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 3rd November 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

On Thursday 3rd November we will hold our annual Alternative Curriculum Day. Pupils will participate in a variety of exciting 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:

Year 7	Whitburn Village Trail and Lord's Prayer activity
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
Year 12	'Getting University ready' at Northumbria University
Year 13	HE options, Finance presentation and target grade review

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 will be issued with further information regarding the Year 11, 12 and 13 events through separate letters.

Year 11 pupils and Sixth Form students 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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