

Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child has been invited to attend a taster day at The Oakes College on **Thursday 25th June, 2026.**

During the visit to Oakes, students will have an opportunity to participate in a variety of taster lessons, tour the facilities and experience life as a sixth former. This is a good opportunity to try subjects they may not be familiar with.

The day commences at 9.15am, with staggered arrival times by school, and finishes at 2.05pm. During this time, Oakes staff will supervise your child who will not be allowed to leave the College premises. You are kindly requested to organise transport for your child to and from Oakes, which is based on the site of The Netherhall School. We ask that all students report at reception upon their arrival. Light refreshments are available but your child is advised to also bring a snack/lunch. There are limited facilities for visitors to buy refreshments with bank cards at Oakes as it is a cashless college.

If your child wishes to take part in the day, they can sign up and choose their subjects using the following link:

<https://forms.gle/vsyEwuBCzhNMwemx7>

The deadline for submitting your child's interest is Thursday 18th June. Places are limited and will be on a first come first served basis or a direct recommendation from their current school. Oakes College will let the school know who has signed up and this will be seen as permission to attend the taster day.

We would also like to point out that Oakes are having an Open Evening on Tuesday 23rd June 6.00 – 8.00pm. Everybody is welcome, there is no need to book in advance.

If you would like to find out more about Oakes, please visit our website: <https://oakescc.org/>. If you have any questions about the day, please contact The Oakes College directly by e-mail: office@oakescc.org.

Yours sincerely,

George Bucknall
Deputy Director of Oakes College

Programme for the Day

09.15 – 10.00	Staggered arrival by school then registration and explanation of the day.
10.00 – 10.40	Taster lesson one
10.45 – 11.25	Taster lesson two
11.30 – 11.45	Break and chance to speak with staff and students
11.45 – 12.25	Taster lesson three
12.30 – 13.10	Taster lesson four
13.15 – 13.30	Break and chance to speak with staff and students
13:30 – 14:00	Introduction to sixth form and the Oakes community. Plenary