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Dear Parent/Carer

Solent University

An exciting opportunity has arisen to work with Solent university. Your child will have the opportunity to take part in university visits, programmes, subject tasters, revision classes and a whole range of other rewarding activities. There will be a range of activities across Year 7 – Year 11.

There will be no cost for these activities as the programme is part of Solent University's access and widening participation with school's programme.

To make sure that the activities are useful and effective for young people the university will need to gather certain information which will be used purely for the research, tracking and monitoring purposes.

In advance of any activity the school is required to provide Solent University with personal and special category data of the participating learners 14 days prior to the activity taking place.

For research, tracking and monitoring purposes only, this data will be shared with the Higher Education Access Tracker (HEAT) service and Higher Education Statistical Agency (HESA) to help evaluate the effectiveness of our activities as part of government policy to widen participation in higher education and to develop future policy. The data you share with will be stored in accordance with Solent University's privacy notice.

The project and its partners will not use these records in a way that would affect your learners individually, for example, for marketing purposes. Solent University will not release data to anyone who is unauthorised.

The full details of privacy notice and the data that will be shared can be found at the link below:

<https://www.solent.ac.uk/disclaimer/privacy-policy/access-and-widening-participation-privacy-notice>

Any parent that **does not** wish their child to take part will need to complete the form found in the link: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=zz3XjXy17EC3-HVbUS2feyARyX9OG8ZCjsJ2EPG7-c1UOURMU0Y1TjBSOEtWTVVUVzIFQUIUVDBCNy4u>

Thank you for taking the time to read and respond to this letter. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully

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