

Dear Parent/Guardian,

5 June 2009

Re: Ace Day Wednesday, 1 July 2009 - 'Aim Higher' Event
Venue: City Learning Centre, Green Lane

I am writing to inform you that on Wednesday, 1 July an 'Ace Day' has been arranged for pupils in Year 9 and will be based in the City Learning Centre on the Triptons site. This is the thirteenth year the school has held such an event which is focused on promoting higher education opportunities to the year groups. The day will start with an introductory presentation in the Hall from Mr Hamill and Mr Grant. The day will also centre around twelve ex Robert Clack students who are either at University or have recently left higher education and have started their careers.

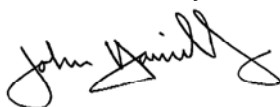
Year 9 students should report for morning registration at 8.45 am and then go the new assembly hall when the bell goes at 9.00 am. Normal afternoon registration in form rooms.

The day has proven to significantly make an impact on the future aspirations of pupils and encourage them to aim higher in their future exams and eventually their chosen profession. The former Robert Clack students who attend this day act as excellent role models for our current pupils and reveal the benefits a higher education can offer in a 21st century job market that requires increasing technological skills.

Jason McCarthy, an ex Robert Clack student, who is now a Fashion Designer will be making a series of presentations regarding careers in Design and the fashion industry in the old hall. Jason recently completed an MA at the Royal college of Art, and currently works in the United States lecturing at the University of Savannah and as a freelance designer.

The pupils will enter the old hall on the Triptons site at 9.00 am after registration. The pupils will be divided into ten groups and will be informed by their form tutor which group they are in at least one week before the event. I feel confident that your son/daughter will benefit from the many experiences this day will offer them and to conclude their day each group will be awarded up to ten prizes for effort and pro-active contributions to the event.

Yours sincerely



J Hamill
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