

10 November 2022

Dear Parent / Carer

RE: Every Child Should Initiative

We hope this letter finds you well.

As we are sure you will agree, the COVID-19 pandemic had far reaching consequences and schools and young people were by no means immune to its impact. Whilst every effort was made during the pandemic to ensure that students continued to have a rich and diverse education, things such as trips and in school experiences were more limited than they were pre-pandemic. In realising our vision statement to provide an 'Exceptional Student Experience for All', we felt that it was important that we addressed this through a new programme in school known as 'Every Child Should'.

The 'Every Child Should' initiative is driven from our passionate belief that our students deserve the very best experience of education. To us, an 'Exceptional Student Experience' first and foremost means that students acquire the skills, knowledge and qualifications to achieve their dreams, whatever they might be. We also feel, however, that it is incredibly important that students are exposed to cultural capital experiences that raise their aspirations and inspire them to achieve more.

The 'Every Child Should' initiative seeks to ensure that all students in the school undertake a range of experiences over the course of their five years with us at The Farnley Academy. The experiences that students will be exposed to are far ranging and diverse. They also do not make assumptions about what experiences students may have had at Primary School or at home.

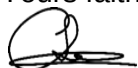
In delivering this initiative, we have designated two days during the school year as 'Every Child Should Experience Days'. On these days, all students will be allocated to one or more of the experiences shown on the poster overleaf. The activities that your child will be allocated to are based on the confidential questionnaire that they completed with their form tutor earlier this year.

Our first 'Every Child Should Experience Day' will be taking place on **Friday, 9 December 2022**. Further details of the activities that your child has been assigned to will be shared with you in the coming days.

In recognising that the current 'cost of living crisis' is placing additional pressure on family finances, we are delighted to share with you that all activities that take place on Friday, 9 December 2022 will be **FREE** to all students.

We look forward to sharing this fantastic experience with our students and hope that you agree that it will further enhance the already Exceptional Student Experience that your child receives at The Farnley Academy.

Yours faithfully



Mr C Stokes
Principal



Mrs J Booth
Assistant Principal: Student Experience



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'Every Child Should'



Visit a
farm

KS3



Learn how
to swim



Build a
den



Own a
book



Learn how to
bake a cake



Visit the
seaside



Learn etiquette
for the dinner
table



Visit a
zoo



Learn a card
game



Visit a
restaurant for
a sit-down
meal



Complete a
treasure hunt



Learn how to
ride a bike



Plant and
grow seeds



Learn how
to sew/repair
clothing



Play a board
game

KS4



Learn First
Aid



Visit a
museum/
castle



Have a picnic
in the park



Learn how to
cook a meal



Learn how to
work as part
of a team



Complete a
jigsaw puzzle



Visit a
National
Trust



Climb a
mountain



Learn how
to use
household
appliances



Learn how
to budget
appropriately



Complete
a form of
volunteering



Visit the
theatre



Learn how
to present
in a formal
manner



Learn how
to write a CV



Visit a
sporting
event



Enjoy live
music

The 'Every Child Should' initiative is driven from our very passionate belief that our students deserve an 'Exceptional Student Experience': we have designed a programme that will help students access rich and rounded opportunities which will ultimately prepare them for later life.