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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Degree Apprenticeship Courses (Fully Funded)**

I would be grateful if you could take the time to read this information and discuss it with your child. We have recently established strong contacts with the University of Portsmouth to learn more about both their apprenticeship degree courses and also more about national developments of degree apprenticeships.

Universities are now beginning to offer degrees through apprenticeship schemes. Students study for a BA (Hons) degree by attending university 1-2 days per week and working for the remainder of the week in a salaried job and training programme.

### Why research the degree apprenticeship option?

These degrees lead to the same level of qualification, BA (Hons), and can also be continued to masters level (MA). There are no tuition fees as they are paid by the government and employer. Students receive a university mentor and an employer mentor. Additionally students are quaranteed places in university halls of residence.

## Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017 – 4pm-8pm

Mrs Rooke will be leading a group to the University of Portsmouth for their apprenticeship open day. Course tutors will be available and detailed information will be given on how to apply. There is no cost for this trip – coach travel is fully funded by the University of Portsmouth.

#### Available courses for degree apprenticeship

Please follow this link for an example of the degree apprenticeships University of Portsmouth is offering. At present for 2018 , seven courses are offered but there is a list of a further 30 courses planned for introduction in 2019. <a href="http://www.port.ac.uk/degree-apprenticeships/">http://www.port.ac.uk/degree-apprenticeships/</a>

Please could I encourage your child to consider attending the afternoon event at Portsmouth. This will inform and does not commit your child to a particular route of study at this stage.

Please return the reply slip attached if you wish to attend.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch either with me or Mrs Rooke (Futures Leader) should you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Valentine **Deputy Head of Sixth Form** 















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Student name	
My child is interested in the visit to the University of Portsmouth on Wednesday $6^{\text{th}}$ December.	
(please tick)	
Parent/Carer (please sign)	
Parent/Carer (please print)	
Date	











