

Dear Parents/Carers

On its journey to Outstanding, Mark Hall Academy is passionate about learning and life experiences beyond the classroom in order to provide our students with opportunities to:

- Enrich their cultural capital;
- Empower them as agents of change;
- Prepare them for employment; and
- Engage them in citizenship, community and the wider world.

We are introducing a World Class Curriculum Passport that has been issued to them today. The rationale is very simple, we want our students to get involved in and as experience as much as the Academy and the world has to offer them.

On page three is a calendar of clubs, events and activities that take place within the academy. We are encouraging all students to Aspire, Endeavour and Achieve as much as is possible by attending these clubs, immersing themselves in new experiences and getting involved in the activities.

Page two acts as a log for students to get attendance at such clubs signed off by staff.

The back page is a checklist of things to consider doing outside of school. This was inspired by the National Trusts 50 things to do before 11 ¾. (<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/50-things-to-do>).

We hope this list acts as an encouragement for our young students to go out and explore the world. This is not compulsory and it is worth noting that some of the activities will require adult supervision. These are indicated with an asterisk and highlighted in yellow on the passport.

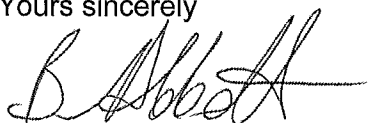
I do hope you find this document a useful tool to discuss enriching opportunities your child can get involved in.

In addition to the Autumn calendar offerings, we are appealing to all parties: staff, students and parents/carers alike, to make this a truly deep and broad experience. Are you able to give up a small portion of time to involve Mark Hall Academy students in your passions, skills or experiences? It need not be time consuming and does not always have to run as a regular weekly event, it could be a one off, it could be linked to your job, a hobby or interest.

We have audited our students and we have been inundated with ideas. Spelling bees, community fairs and charity events, Mark Hall 'bake offs', community environment projects, sporting activities, to name but a few.

If you are interested in offering any activities in 2017 do not hesitate to get in contact with the academy.

Yours sincerely



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