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## 6th Form Trip to Shepton Mallet Prison - Thursday 7th December 2023

## Dear Parent/Carer

We are offering 6th Form students the opportunity to visit Shepton Mallet prison on Thursday 7th December 2023. Shepton Mallet prison closed as an operating prison in 2013 and is now open to visitors as a historical tourism destination. This trip is especially relevant to students studying A Level Law, Sociology and Psychology.

The trip will involve a full tour of the prison, and our guide will talk to students about the prison's 400 year history and the experience of living life behind bars. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in various discussions, such as how the media can influence how people and society think about crime and punishment.

Students should wear sensible footwear and suitable warm clothing, including a coat. Students should also bring food and a drink with them. There will be a brief opportunity to have a hot drink in the cafe and visit the gift shop before departure.

We will be leaving Budmouth promptly at 9.00am and will arrive back at Budmouth by 4.00pm. Please ensure arrangements are made for your child to get home safely if they would usually travel by bus or walk home.

We have a maximum of 35 places available for this trip and they will be allocated on a first come first served basis. This trip will go live on ParentMail on Monday 20th November. Payment for £32.00 should be made via the ParentMail app by Tuesday 5th December 2023.

Bursary students are able to book a place through Ms K Andow in the Sixth Form office. We will use all contact/medical/consent information directly from Arbor, so please ensure that your child's information is up to date via the Arbor app. Should you have any queries regarding updating any information please do not hesitate to contact dbrown@budmouth-aspirations.org.

If you have any further questions about this trip, please email me at <a href="mailto:hevans@budmouth-aspirations.org">hevans@budmouth-aspirations.org</a>

Yours Sincerely

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