

# Welcome to University Technical College Warrington

Parent Briefing 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016



## Tonight's Agenda:

### Latest News

- Employers/University
- Staffing
- Building update
- Curriculum update
  - o Options
  - o Baseline Testing
  - o Intervention
  - What equipment do students need?
  - o Trips & Visits
  - o Residential

### Pastoral System

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- o SEND
- o SMSC programme
- o Morning Briefing Programme

### • Calendar

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- o Term Dates
- o Assessment & Reporting home
- o Parents Evening
- Working Day/Week
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  - Cashless Catering/Parent
     Pay
  - Dress Code
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  - PE/Minibuses
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  - Laptop Lease
- Enrolment Day





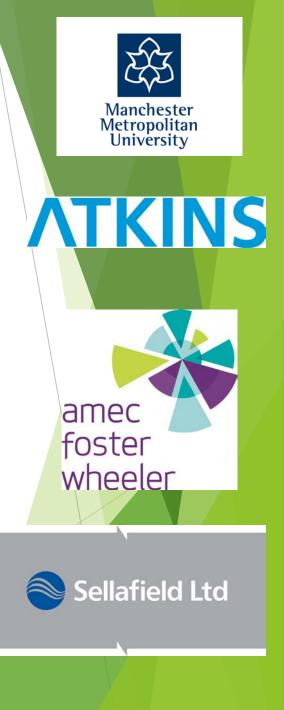
### Latest News:

### Employer Update

- Local entrepreneur to donate £65k world class 3D printer
- Fujitsu Innovation Hub
- 10 students on Work Experience already
- New employers recruited
  - MWA
  - ESR
  - Stanley Engineered Fastenings
  - Environment Agency
  - European Metal Recycling
- Work Experience programme agreed with Atkins and Sellafield
- Employer Forums held quarterly
- Industry Mentor programme
- Master Classes with leading engineers

### **University Update**

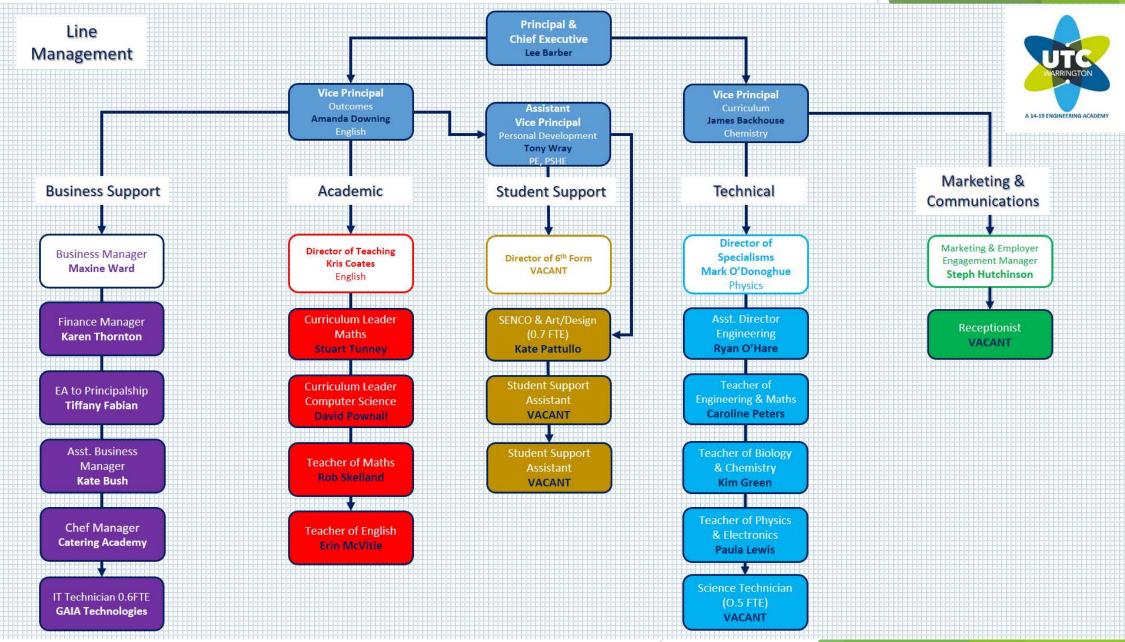
• UTCW to facilitate MMU and employers from nuclear sector to formulate Degree Apprenticeship programme







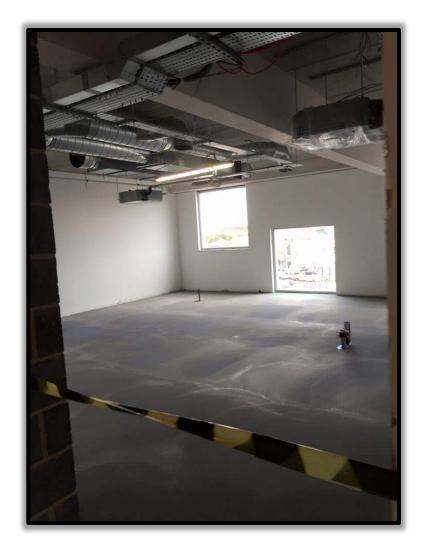






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All students have now had a 1:1 meeting to discuss options. The following will now occur:

- Year 10 students will receive an email by the end of July confirming the options they have picked. If a student wants to make a change or meet with a member of staff again they can then request this.
- Year 12 students have picked options based on predicted grades, students will have a chance to revisit these choices on the 25th August when actual grades are known.

New courses year 10 – Students who made decisions earlier in the year may want to consider studying GCSE Art & design: Architecture and 3D modelling specification. This can be changed when the above email is received.



### **Baseline testing**

All students will complete baseline tests when they join. This helps the college to provide any intervention that is required when students start with us.

### **Intervention**

This will take place on a Tuesday and Thursday at 4pm, students will work in small groups and a subject to close gaps identified on the completed baseline tests.

### Equipment required

Pen, pencil, ruler, pencil sharpener, eraser, 30cm ruler, scientific calculator, compass, protractor, pencil case

### **Optional**

Students can bring an electronic device to support their studies, it must be used in line with the acceptable usage policy. This covers laptops, tablets and netbooks.



- The college will hopefully have visits offsite on a weekly basis
- For example employer visits, sporting enrichment and university classes at MMU
- Any information parents require around the logistics for offsite activity can be found in the trips and visits policy on the college website

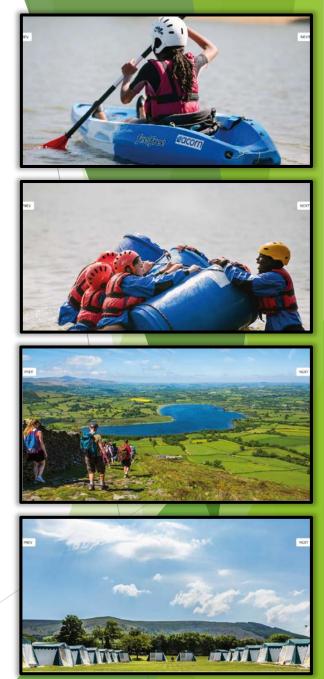
We also intend to offer several residential activities over the next 12 months including the following:

- December London trip 2 night stay
- February Ski trip 8 night stay\*
- Summer CERN trip 3 night stay\*

\*The viability for these activities is subject to student numbers



- We have moved the planned July residential, it will now take place on the 14th 16th September 2016
- Students will be away for two nights/3days
- The residential will take place at The Brecon Beacons. Students will take part in several activities over the three days (canoeing, climbing, high ropes, raft building etc)
- The cost of the residential will be approx. £100 This will include all travel, accommodation, food and activities
- If you want to look in more detail please use the following website <u>https://www.acornadventure.co.uk/camps/united-kingdom/wales-brecon-</u> beacons





### **Communication with Parents:**

- Weekly newsletter via email: UTC Update
- Regular texts and email reminders and information sharing
- Two Parents' Evenings per year settling in and academic progress
- Reports three times per year to outline progress, achievements and A2L
- A specific Personal Academic Tutor (PAT) for your son/daughter as a regular point of contact

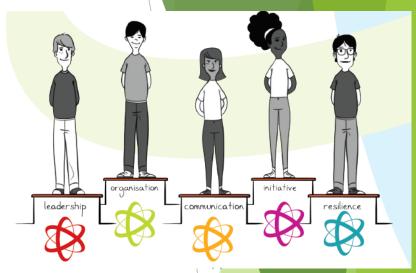


# Morning Briefing and PATs:

### Morning Briefing Programme will run daily from 8.30-8.50am. It will include time for:

- self appraisal of progress and target setting;
- assemblies and presentations from employers'
- PiXI Edge discussion and
- discussion of current affairs.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 10	Student 360 Appraisal	Employer/ University Assembly	PiXL Edge Rewards & Investment	SMSC Assembly	Current Affairs
Year 12	Student 360 Appraisal	Destinations	Employer/ University Assembly	Current Affairs	SMSC Assembly





# Morning Briefing and PATs:

- Will take place in one of two House Groups named after famous Stock Markets – FTSE and NASDAQ
- Approx. 25 per group and led by a Personal Academic Tutor (PAT), who will be a qualified teacher
  - House Groups will also be assigned an Industry Mentor from one of UTCW's employer partners, who will:
    - Work with the whole group or groups of 5 for mentoring sessions
    - Meet students once per half term
    - Build a long term relationship with the group over 2-4 years



## **Students with SEND Needs:**

- Personalised support and regular communication form strong pastoral support team:
- Kate Pattullo (SENDCO)
- Tony Wray (AHT, Personal Development and Welfare)
- Amanda Downing (Vice Principal)
- Specialist staff training and student dyslexia intervention
- Relevant, 'real life' problem solving in the curriculum development of confidence and other soft skills



## **Students with SEND Needs:**

- On-going intervention for reading, writing, numeracy timetabled depending on individual requirements
- Positive mind set and 'can do' ethos embedded into culture of UTC Warrington will aid those requiring additional support
- Any students receiving 'higher level' funding individualised plans and support.



### **Professional Standards:**

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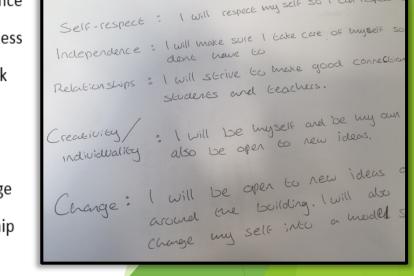
#### <u>Your</u> Values

Who are you? What do you stand for? What do you believe in? What do you really value? What engages your passion?

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competition	cooperation
democracy	effectiveness
<u>enthusiasm</u>	excellence
equality	friendship
independence	integrity
loyalty	public service
self-respect	simplicity

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### **Calendar:**

### Term Dates 2016/17

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#### Start of Term

Autumn Half Term 1Year 10 – Wednesday 7th September 2016<br/>Year 12 – Monday 12th September 2016Autumn Half Term 2Monday 31st October 2016Spring Half Term 1Wednesday 4th January 2017Spring Half Term 2Monday 27th February 2017Summer Half Term 1Monday 24th April 2017Summer Half Term 2Monday 5th June 2017

#### **End of Term**

Friday 21st October 2016 Friday 16th December 2016 Friday 17th February 2017 Friday 7th April 2017 Friday 26th May 2017 Tuesday 18th July 2017



### **Calendar:** Key Dates (Half Term 1):

w/c		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
22 Aug 16	Activity	Staff Induction Day 1	Staff Induction Day 2	Staff Induction Day 3	GCSE Results/Enrolment Day	Enrolment Mop Up/Staff Induction Day 4
29 Aug 16	Activity	ВН	Staff Induction Day 5	Staff Induction Day 6	Staff Induction Day 7	Staff Induction Day 8
05 6	Activity	INSET 1	INSET 2	Y10 Students start	Baseline Testing Week	Baseline Testing Week
05 Sep 16	Meeting(s)					
12 500 16	Activity	Y12 Students start			Employer Assembly	Employer Assembly
12 Sep 16	Meeting(s)					
10.5 - 16	Activity		MMU Assembly	MMU Assembly	Employer Assembly	Parent Tours, 2.30pm - 5.30pm
19 Sep 16	Meeting(s)				Governors AGM	
26.6 - 16	Activity	3D Printing Master Class Pete Waterman			Technical Challenge Day 1 - Green Power Racing	Employer Assembly
26 Sep 16	Meeting(s)				Open Event, Thursday 29th September 5.30pm - 7.30pm	
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10 Oct 16	Meeting(s)		Progress Meeting 1 (Staff)		Parents Evening 1 4.30-7.30pm	
17 Oct 16	Activity			Governors (Curriculum)	Employer Assembly Employer Assem	
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## The Working Day:

#### Sample timetable

	Student A	Student B	Student C	Student D
Briefing 8.30 - 8.50am	House Assembly (Theatre)	Form: Debating/ Current Affairs	Form: Employability Skills: CV/Interview	Form: Attendance & Progress checks
Period 1 8.50 - 9.50am	Chemistry	Electronics	Biology	Design Technology (Resistant Materials)
AM Break 9.50 - 10.05am				
Period 2 10.05 - 11.05am	Physics	Technical Project Day: Sellafield Ltd	Geography	Engineering (Workshop)
Period 3 11.05 - 12.05pm	English		Maths	
<mark>Lunch</mark> 12.05 - 12.45pm				
Period 4 12.45 - 1.45pm	Engineering (Workshop)	Technical Project Day: Sellafield Ltd	Engineering Master Class: Atkins (Theatre)	Engineering (Lab)
Period 5 1.45 - 2.45pm				Computer Science (Lab)
PM Break 2.45 - 3.00pm				
Period 6 3.00 - 4.00pm	Design Technology (Product Design)	English	Mandarin	PE
Enrichment 4.00 - 4.30pm	STEM Ambassadors	Green Kart Racing	Duke of Edinburgh award	Maths & English Booster session

\* Students will finish at the end of Period 4 on a Friday, to allow for staff training



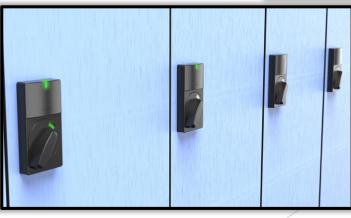
# The Working Day/Week:

UTCW will operate a MiFare card system. This will be used for:

Student ID card
Registration
Door access (Salto locks)
Cashless Catering
Library management
Print Management
Lockers









#### What does ParentPay do?

- enables you to pay for food and other items such as trips & visits
- offers a highly secure payment site
- gives you a history of all the payments you have made
- allows the merging of accounts if you have more than one child at school
- shows you all items available for payment relevant to each of your children
- emails a receipt of your payment to the email address you register

#### How does ParentPay help you?

- gives you the freedom to make payments to school whenever and wherever you like
- stops you having to write cheques or search for cash to send to school
- gives you peace of mind that your payment has been made safely and securely
- helps with budgeting; payments are immediate, there is no waiting for cheques to clear
- payments for many of the larger trips can be made by instalments up to the due date

ParentPay is quick and easy to use

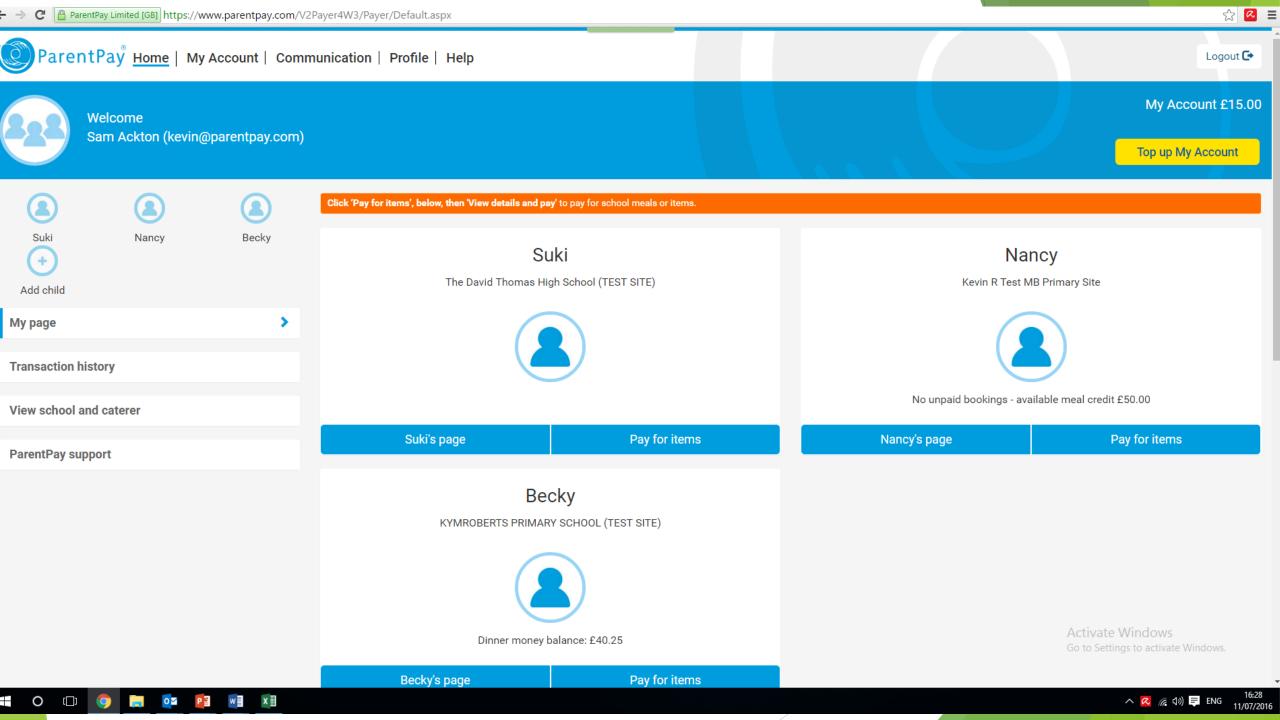
#### How does ParentPay help our school?

- reduces the administrative time spent on banking procedures
- keeps accurate records of payments made to every service for every student
- payments do not bounce
- reduces paper 'waste'
- allows for easy and quick refunds to be made back to the payment card
- improves communication between the school and parents concerning payments
- offers a more efficient payment collection process, reducing the amount of money held on school premises

#### How do I get started?

We will send you an activation letter to enable you to setup your ParentPay account. The activation letter will contain a personal activation username and password to enable you to login to ParentPay. During the activation process you will be guided through changing your username and password to something more memorable; you can also merge your accounts if you have more than one child at UTCW.





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\*If you would like to order and pay for school uniform using Parent Pay, please click on the link below which will then take you to our online uniform shop. Orders will be processed and uniform

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### UTCW Dress Code 2016/17

Foreword:

- First impressions count; we want all UTCW students to have a competitive edge.
- The UTCW Dress Code mirrors the smart business attire worn by the professionals in the industry they aspire to work in.
- Our students will regularly work alongside university and employers partners; we want them to look professional and integrate seamlessly.
- This Dress Code is underpinned by a common sense approach; ambiguities surrounding its application will focus around the question 'would you wear that to a formal job interview?'
- The Principal & Chief Executive retains the final decision on all matters relating to the Dress Code. Accidental misinterpretation of the Dress Code will be dealt with leniently; repeated defiance of the Dress Code will result in parents being contacted and students being told to return home to change and return appropriately.
- This Dress Code will be reviewed annually, with students and parents views sought before any changes are imposed.

Mr L M Barber

Principal & Chief Executive





# **UTCW Male Dress Code**

- 2 piece matching formal suit in navy blue, blue, black or grey
- Optional matching waistcoat, V-neck jumper
- Plain black or brown shoes
- Dark socks
- UTCW official tie (choose from range of colours available)
- Year 10 White shirt, with top button fastened
- Year 12 Any coloured shirt, with top button fastened
- Cufflinks are acceptable
- X No round neck jumpers
- X No logos or overt branding
- X No white socks
- X No casual jackets
- X No jeans or chinos







# **UTCW Female Dress Code**

- Matching formal suit in navy blue, blue, black or grey
  - o Blazer type jacket
  - o Trousers or skirt
  - o Year 12 students can alternatively wear a smart formal dress (see Fig.1)
- Optional cardigan or v-neck jumper (in matching colours)
- Black or brown shoes
  - Heels up to 2½ inches (smart black leather boots will be allowed; not casual boots or fashion items)
  - In the interests of Health and Safety no sandals or shoes/boots with an open toe closed toes only
- Dark socks or tights (optional)
- UTCW official neck scarf or tie
- Year 10 White shirt with stiff collar
- Year 12 Any coloured shirt or blouse
- X No coloured tights
- X No logos or overt branding
- X No casual jackets
- X No jeans or chinos





# **UTCW Dress Code - Bags**

- At UTCW, students need to arrive at college fully prepared for the day; that means carrying the requisite items to be fully equipped to learn.
- In addition to carrying items in their bag, students will also have access to a locker, which locks electronically and is operated by personal ID card.
- As students wear smart business dress to UTCW, the bag which they carry should also fit in with the Dress Code.
- The preferred bag for both male and female students is a black or brown leather satchel; ideal for carrying books, files, laptops/notebooks and stationery. See Fig1 and Fig 2.
- On those days that students have PE on their timetable, they are also permitted to carry a holdall. This should be stored in a locker when not needed and retrieved just before the lesson/returned straight after the lesson.
- UTCW offer a branded Nike PE holdall, see Fig 3. This is available from our PE kit provider for approx. £18.
- Experience tells us rucksacks can damage the shoulders of students' suits. Hence the request for a satchel and holdall.



Fig.1 Brown Satchel





Fig.3 UTCW Holdall



## **UTCW Dress Code: Ties & Neck Scarves**



- UTCW students must wear a UTCW branded tie or neck scarf and can choose from a range of colours (see Fig 1)
- Students can buy as many ties as they like, to mix and match with suits
- Cost:
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  - Neck Scarf £7
- Ties should be tied up to the top button, with the tip of the tie touching the top of the belt line
- Neck scarves can be worn in a variety of ways to suit individual preference







## **UTCW Recommended Retailers**

#### Male Business Suits & Shoes

- Next
- M&S
- Debenhams
- River Island
- Burtons
- Topman
- Tesco
- Asda
- Matalan
- Primark
- Very

Female Business Suits, Shoes

- Next
- M&S
- Debenhams
- River Island
- Topshop
- Tesco
- Asda
- Sainsbury's
- Matalan
- Primark
- Very
- Miss Selfridge
- New Look
- Asos

#### **Bags/Satchels**

- www.cambridgesatchel.com
- www.zatchels.com
- www.leathersatchel.com
- Next
- M&S
- Debenhams
- Very
- Asos
- TK Maxx
- Amazon
- Boohoo



Standard sports kit can be bought in a bundle and available on enrolment day

Other items available on request

Pupil Premium students can draw down on their funding



### PE:

Year 10 students will be transported to local sporting facilities for a 2 hour block of sporting enrichment per week.

### o Transport will be by brand new minibus to:

- Victoria Park (new Rugby Stadium)
- Orford Hub
- o David Lloyd
- Indoor Rock Climbing Centre
- o Chill Factore
- Fiddlers Ferry (water sports)





### ICT:

We have secured a leasing scheme through our ICT contractor, Gaia Technologies, who can offer an affordable but high quality laptop/notebook. The benefits of which are:

- Students learn to be responsible and take pride in ownership of their own device
- Same device for all students brings consistency in the learning experience
- Pupil Premium funding can be used to offset low donation levels from pupil premium families
- Students can access and continue their work at home

A typical loan scheme is  $\underline{11-13}$  per month. This is a direct lease between parents and Econocom

Students will also get a One Drive account to access their work and resources from anywhere

The remote portal means specialist software can also be accessed off-site





## **Enrolment Day:**

### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August

- 10am 5pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> floor of the UTCW Building (report to Reception)

### The following stations will be in operation:

- Enrolment (including recording of results for Year 12)
- Photo (for ID cards)
- Home-College agreement, including Professional Standards contract
- Options and Timetabling
- Shop selling UCTW PE kit and Ties
- Travel advice
- Careers Information, Advice & Guidance
- Bursary applications (Year 12 only)
- SEND advice





Open to students who have already applied.



Any Questions?