



LEIGHTON PARK
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31st January 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Fine Art Exhibition at the Reading University
Monday 10th February 2020 4.30pm – 5.30pm

In addition to the Art department's enrichment programme, Leighton Park's Resident Artist Ella Shepard is offering a trip to Reading University's School of Art. On Monday 10th February, the University's Fine Art (BA) Degree course will be opening their interim exhibition and this visit will give LP students the chance to meet the artists participating. This opportunity includes the chance to tour around the facilities, including the artist's studio spaces and ask any questions they have about studying creative subjects at a higher level. It is open to students in Years 10 to 13 inclusive with an interest in Art.

Studying a creative degree course will equip students with the skills to develop their independent thought and confidence in their practice, as well as professional and transferable skills for employment in the creative field. Reading University is a great example and has a progressive, contemporary and innovative art school with 150 years of history, offering the benefits of world-leading research.

"Not only was I able to refine my practical skills but I was also encouraged to think seriously about the political and ethical position of my work. Being in dialogue with practicing artists allowed me to take my work seriously as a means of participating in a larger conversation." - Laura Nicholson, BA Art, Reading University

This trip will provide an excellent opportunity for all students interested in further education or a career within creative arts. We would like to ask for your confirmation that you feel this to be worthwhile addition to their education and that you are happy for your child to attend.

We will leave from the Art Department at 4.15pm and return by 6pm.

Please complete the electronic reply slip **by 9am on Monday 10th February** if you would like your son/daughter to take part in this exciting addition to their creative learning.

If you have any questions about this please do not hesitate to contact Ella by email ellashepard@leightonpark.com

Yours sincerely,

Mark Wood
Head of Art

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Deputy Head

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Student Name:Tutor Group:

I give permission for to attend the Fine Art Exhibition at Reading University on Monday 10th February

Please state below if your son/daughter has any allergies/medical conditions:

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Parent/Guardian contact number for Monday 10th February.....

Signed (Parent/Guardian)

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