

18 September 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian

We would like to invite your child to join the Wakefield Children's University™, part of a national charitable trust which validates high quality out of hours activities for children and young people aged 5 – 14 years of all abilities. Learning opportunities are being provided by this school through after school clubs as well as organisations both in the local community and nationally.

The Children's University aims to inspire children, raise their aspirations and to develop a love of learning in a range of environments. In Wakefield, the Children's University is supported by Wakefield College; the District's largest provider of Further and Higher Education.

All children/young people who join the Children's University are given a 'Passport to Learning' in which they can collect stamps and stickers to demonstrate the number of hours of learning they have achieved. Over time children/young people may work towards nationally recognised certificates celebrating their hours of learning and on achievement, they will be given the opportunity to attend a Wakefield Children's University Graduation ceremony.

The last Graduation Ceremony saw over 280 children graduate in ceremonial gown and mortar board and was a fantastic occasion.

Children's University™ Award Levels

Undergraduate level

30 hours = Bronze certificate

65 hours = Silver certificate

100 hours = Gold certificate

There are progressive steps leading to 1000 hours of learning: The Children's University Fellowship level.

The 'Passports to Learning' are available at £3.50 each and can be ordered through school. Children/young people are responsible for their own Passports and it is very important that they take care of them as lost records cannot be accessed.

Children and young people can also collect stamps in their Passports at Learning Destinations across the country. To find out where these are, visit www.childrensuniversity.co.uk/inyourarea or speak to school. The Learning Destination will stamp/sign the Passport for every hour of learning achieved during a

CU validated activity. This gives you the opportunity to link your family days out with the learning taking place at school.

To support your child in this exciting venture and help them to achieve their Children's University™ awards, please complete and return the reply slip below with a £3.50 payment via Parentpay to cover the cost of the Passport to Learning.

Yours sincerely

Headteacher

.....

Name of pupil _____

Class _____

I/we would like our child to participate in Wakefield Children's University and will make a payment of £3.50 via Parentpay to purchase a Passport to Learning.

I understand that I am responsible for the Passport and information contained therein. I give permission for my child's name, date of birth, unique pupil number, FSM status, ethnicity, SEN status and postcode to be shared with the Children's University.

Signed (parent/guardian) _____

Date _____

Wakefield College will use the above data in order to register your child as a member of the Children's University. We are doing this because you have consented above. If at any time you decide that you no longer consent to us processing your data for Children's University membership then let us know and we'll stop. If you withdraw or withhold your consent, it will not affect your existing or any future relationship with the College. For further details on how we protect your personal data, see www.wakefield.ac.uk/privacy.