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Dear Parents and Guardians

We are thrilled to extend an invitation to Sixth Form Students to participate in the upcoming Oxford School of Climate Change, hosted by the Geography Department at The Ladies' College. The Oxford Climate Society has aptly described this programme as a 'climate 101' course, intending to impart a well-rounded introduction to various aspects of climate. This ranges from delving into the fundamental physics of climate change, to branching out into topics like climate law, economics, and governance.

The Oxford School of Climate Change is a meticulously structured programme, designed by leading Oxford academics and executed by the Oxford Climate Society (OCS). Over the course of eight weeks, participants will be afforded the opportunity to gain an in-depth understanding of the multifaceted challenges and intricacies of climate change.

While this invitation is primarily directed at our A-level Geography students, it is also pertinent to those studying A-Level sciences and Economics, as the sessions encompass a wide spectrum of topics integral to these subjects, but any student with an interest in climate change is welcome to join. The schedule for these sessions is as follows:

- 12th October: Climate Change, the Science and the IPCC
- 2nd November: What next? Top-down vs bottom-up change
- 9th November: Climate Change in the Courts
- 16th November: International Climate Politics
- 23rd November: The economics of climate policies
- 30th November: Sustainable transport policy workshop

These sessions will be held online from 6-8pm on the aforementioned Thursdays. We will convene in Room 2 at Ladies' College to collectively watch the lectures, participating actively in the subsequent Q&A sessions. The two sessions (Climate Change and the Biosphere, The Anthropocene Nature-Society Relations) held over half term will be made available for students to watch in their own time.

Further information can be found at <https://www.oxfordclimatesociety.com/the-oxford-school-of-climate-change.html>

While attending these sessions isn't mandatory, it is noteworthy that several of these lectures are seamlessly integrated with the Geography A-Level specification. It promises to not only augment your daughter/son's comprehension of climate change but also offers a tangible glimpse into the realm of university-level education.

For the comfort of the students, we welcome them to bring along their favourite drinks and snacks. The formal uniform isn't a requisite; however, we strongly advise them to carry pens and a notepad for note-taking.

It would be a pleasure to witness the enthusiastic participation of your daughter/son in this illuminating endeavour.

Looking forward to seeing them there.

Yours sincerely,

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