



Dear parent/guardian

**On Thursday 22 November 2018, Year 11 are having a presentation about National Citizen Service (NCS).** We really believe this is an amazing opportunity and we would like as many pupils to take part as possible. NCS is a great way for pupils to develop the skills they will need in life and will help them stand out when applying for university or a job.

### **What is NCS?**

NCS is an amazing experience in which more than 430,000 young people have participated, and this summer over 100,000 more will take part. NCS takes place in the 2019 summer holidays, you can start whenever suits you, and lasts for three weeks comprising:

**Week 1** Adventure: This is residential, Monday to Friday, and takes place at an outdoor activity centre. This is a chance for the team to meet each other and take part in some amazing activities such as rock climbing, kayaking and abseiling.

**Week 2** Discovery: This also takes place residentially, and helps young people develop essential life skills that will set them ahead in the future. Skills such as confidence, leadership and communication skills - as well as just having lots of fun with new friends.

**Week 3** Make Your Mark: This happens over one week (non-residential). During the week young people design a 'Make a Difference' project around something about which they feel truly passionate. They make that plan a reality and make the change they want to see. This is their chance to feel proud by making a real difference in their community.

### **Why do NCS?**

- NCS will help your child develop the skills employers want
- NCS gives young people a chance to meet lots of new people
- NCS helps your child be heard in their local community
- NCS is highly regarded by universities and employers
- NCS is great fun and a chance for young people to enjoy themselves over the summer holidays

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### **How much will it cost?**

NCS costs over £1,500 per place to run, however, the vast majority of this is covered by government funding. As such, NCS will only cost you a maximum of £50. This covers everything throughout the three-week period – food, accommodation and activities.

**However, as Giggleswick School supports NCS, every student at the school can get their place at a further discounted price of just £35 if they return their completed form with payment (cash or cheque payable to UFA), by Wednesday 28 November. Following this date, the price will go back to £50.**

If you would like any other information about the NCS programme please do not hesitate to call our Head Office on 0121 766 1303 or email [ncs@ufa.org.uk](mailto:ncs@ufa.org.uk). Again, we truly see the value in NCS and hope you do too.

Sincerely

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