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Dear Blaise Families,

After Dinner Talk - Friday 22nd November during Period 3

I am delighted to inform you that on **Friday 22nd November**, during Period 3, we will be welcoming back a former student, Thea, to Blaise High School. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to connect with someone who has walked the same halls and has since followed a successful path through A-levels and into university study. [A video summary of this letter can be found here.](#)

At Blaise High School, we are highly aspirational for our students, and everything we do centres around our vision: Every student will climb their own personal mountain to the very best universities in the country or career of their choosing. We believe that through hard work towards excellent grades and building strong character, our students have the best chance of future success. An essential part of this journey is offering students opportunities for encounters with employers and inspiring role models as part of our Careers Programme.

Thea attended Blaise High from 2016 to 2021. Following her time here, she continued her education at Bristol Cathedral Choir School, taking A-levels. Today, Thea is pursuing a BSc in Psychology at the University of the West of England (UWE). Thea's journey is especially inspiring for our students, as she grew up in our local area and was the first in her immediate family to attend university. During her talk, Thea will share insights from her educational journey, advice on building effective study habits early on, and the importance of developing self-discipline. She will also emphasise that it's never too late to change direction if you are committed to reaching your goals.

Hearing from someone who has already navigated their own "personal mountain" can inspire our students and help them feel more confident in making decisions about their own futures.

After Thea's talk, students will have a reflection session in their TTRP lesson, where they will think about her journey, the insights she shared, and how these apply to their own aspirations.

Should you have any questions about this event, please feel free to get in touch.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Woodland - Director of Aspirations

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