



16<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

**Year 11 GCSE Art & Design Trip to London  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2025**

The Art Faculty is proposing to lead a research trip to London to help with your child's final GCSE Art & Design exam and allow them to experience a wide range of galleries and museums in the capital. The two-day (one-night) trip will also include sightseeing and a visit to a West End theatre to see the musical Wicked.

We will be travelling with the educational travel company European Study Tours, with return rail travel from Guiseley station to London. We will be staying at a central London hotel and will travel around London by underground. The anticipated itinerary is as follows:

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025**

- Travel to London by train
- Visit to the National Gallery
- Visit to the National Portrait Gallery
- Sightseeing
- Evening meal
- West End show (Wicked)

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2025**

- Breakfast at hotel
- Visit to Natural History Museum
- Visit to Victoria & Albert Museum
- Sightseeing and shopping
- Train back from London to Guiseley

The total price of the trip is **£325**. This includes all travel costs, accommodation, all entrance and activity fees, two meals (evening meal on day one and breakfast on day two) and insurance. It does not include spending money. A packed lunch will be required for the Friday, and money to buy lunch and dinner on the Saturday.

For this particular trip, the school may be able to provide a subsidy to students who are currently in receipt of free school meals (unless they are already receiving a subsidy for another residential trip this year). If applicable, please contact Mr Lillington at school as soon as possible to discuss.

The school party insurance is comprehensive and covers personal accident, medical treatment, loss or damage to personal effects, cancellation due to unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances, and other standard risks. A copy of the policy will be made available at a later date to parents/carers of students participating in the trip.

Those students wishing to be part of this trip should bring the completed slip (see bottom of attached form) to the **Finance Office** by **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2024**. By this same date, please also pay an initial **deposit of £100 using the online payment system**. If this short deadline causes particular problems, please contact me directly as soon as possible. Likewise, if you are unable to make the payment online, please contact the Finance Office.

Further payments (via the online payment system) are then required as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> November 2024	£115
1 <sup>st</sup> December 2024	£110

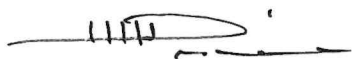
**VERY IMPORTANT:** May I stress that, should your child take up a place on the trip, this will be taken as a **firm commitment**. In the event of a student withdrawing from the party, a refund of monies already paid can normally only be given if cancellation is covered by the terms of the insurance.

In the event that demand for this trip exceeds the number of places available, names will be "drawn out of a hat". Therefore, receipt of the deposit must not be taken as a guarantee of a place. Students will be informed whether or not they have a place and deposits will be returned where appropriate.

Finally, for Health and Safety reasons, students who have a record of poor behavior or attendance in school may not be permitted to participate in this trip.

Further information will be provided next term to parents/carers of students participating in the trip. In the meantime, please feel free to contact me if you have any immediate queries.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Prince  
Area Leader: Art and Design