

September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

London Art Trip - Thursday 17th October 2024

The Art Department will be running its annual GCSE study trip to London on the above date. We will be visiting two Galleries, venues to be confirmed. The visit is aimed at enriching pupils' experience and providing inspiration for their exam unit and coursework.

We aim to arrive in London for approximately 10:30am so will leave Noadswood at 7.30am. We aim to return by 7pm. (Arrival time is dependent on traffic which sometimes results in arriving home early. In this event, we would ask all pupils to contact you in advance by phone. A member of staff will remain with the group until all pupils have been picked up or have made their way home.)

If your child would like to attend, please log in to the Arbor app and provide your consent for your child to attend. If you are using a mobile phone to view the app, please turn your device to landscape and scroll to the bottom right of the page, select Trips and a new screen will show you the trip your child is being offered. Choose the trip and follow the details in order to provide consent.

The cost of the trip will be £26. This cost is based on a good uptake for pupils to join us but, we may need to ask for a further small contribution if it is low. We do reserve the right to not proceed with the trip if numbers are too low. In this instance, anyone who has already paid will be refunded in full. If this trip is oversubscribed we will determine the places by a fair ballot and those who are unsuccessful will be refunded in full. Online, via Arbor is our new method of payment and this has been set up for you to pay. The closing date is **Tuesday 1**st **October at 4pm**. If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium (or has been entitled to Free School Meals in the last 6 years), financial support may be available. In the first instance, please contact our Finance Manager, Mrs Drabble by email to finance@noadswood.hants.sch.uk

Shortly after the closing date, we shall be in touch to confirm whether your child has secured a place on this trip and to provide further information.

We take seriously our responsibility for the safety and welfare of our pupils at all times. This raises particular issues when pupils are involved in an activity off-site. Before taking pupils away from the school site, we carry out a thorough risk assessment and take all necessary measures to minimize risks including arranging appropriate levels of supervision by responsible adults. We expect that pupils involved in the activity will cooperate fully with the arrangements made and follow closely the instructions of the responsible adults throughout the activity. We therefore reserve the right to refuse a place on the trip to any pupils where there has been a behaviour concern previously.

Pupils should bring a packed lunch on the day and may wish to bring a little spending money for postcards and refreshments. Pupils will be expected to be in uniform. Please be aware some of the artwork on displays could be controversial.

I do hope your child is able to take up this offer as we are lucky to live so close to a city with such a large number of world class museums which can inspire the imagination of learners.

Yours sincerely

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