



September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Extended Learning Day - Year 8 Trip to the V&A and Natural History Museum - 16 November 2023

As part of the Extended Learning Day taking place on Thursday 16 November, we have arranged to take the students in Year 8 to the Natural History Museum and the Victoria and Albert Museum (V&A), where students will explore and discover key topics linked to the Key Stage 3 Curriculum.

We propose to use this unique day to take every student in the entire year group to both museums. The trip is a valuable opportunity for students to see many dynamic, up-to-date, interactive exhibitions, which complement and enhance the understanding of the Natural World, historical and contemporary art and design, including worlds of art from across the world. This will support studies in the STEM subjects of Science, Technology, Engineering, and also Art.

The cost of this trip is £14.70. Payment may be made by ParentPay (our preferred option), by Monday 9 October. Once payments are made they are non-refundable.

Please note that the school's policy is that trips and other activities outside the normal teaching programme should be self-funding. Contributions are voluntary, but if contributions are insufficient, the trip may have to be cancelled. No student will be denied participation in the trip because of difficulty in meeting the cost. In cases of genuine financial hardship, please contact Mrs Wilson in the Finance Office, in confidence, by Friday 22 September at the latest.

Students should arrive at school for registration at the usual time, as the coaches will depart promptly at 8.50am. We plan to return at around 4.30pm, depending on traffic.

Students are required to wear school uniform and will need to bring a packed lunch. Pens/pencils are required as students will be completing guided trails during the day.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any further details.

Yours sincerely

Mrs T Kirk
Deputy Headteacher