



Brine Leas School

An Academy

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June 2017

Re: Visit to London

Dear Parents / Guardians

As you may be aware the History department is planning a two day visit to London on Friday 15th and Saturday 16th September 2017. The visit is intended to give students the opportunity to see a number of historical sites related to their GCSE History course, specifically the Royal Observatory in Greenwich. Students will receive an examination question in their GCSE paper on this historical site, worth 11% of their overall grade. Though the visit is not compulsory we will be teaching about the Royal Observatory in lesson so this visit will give students the opportunity to place their classroom learning in context.

The remainder of the visit will also be based around the two modules students have already completed; medicine through time and the Restoration period. The majority of the planned activities, listed below, are related to these topics. Part of the visit will also be recreational and therefore students will also be given the opportunity visit the theatre to see a show (which will be confirmed at a later date) and some shopping. We will also have a rare opportunity to stay overnight on the World War Two ship the HMS Belfast and experience life on board.

Below is a brief suggested itinerary for the visit. A more detailed version will be given to you nearer the time. This will include more specific details of the two days, including drop-off and collection times at Crewe station.

Friday 15th Sept

Train to Euston
Royal Observatory
Old Operating Theatre – King Cholera walk & Victorian surgery brought to life
Covent Garden
Theatre

Saturday 16th Sept

HMS Belfast
Plague, Fire and Revolution in Restoration England walking tour
St Paul's Cathedral
Spitalfields Market
Return to Crewe

Headteacher:
Mr Andrew Cliffe

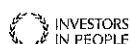
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**PERMISSION SLIP – VISIT TO LONDON FRIDAY 15TH & SATURDAY 16TH
SEPTEMBER 2017 – MISS MALKIN**

I would like my child Progress Group.....
to participate in the above visit.

My payment option is:

- I have enclosed a cheque for £155.00 made payable to Brine Leas School. *Please post in to the Drop Box at Student Reception.*
- I have a **FREE** National Rail card therefore my payment will be £132.50 and I have enclosed a cheque made payable to Brine Leas School. *Please post in to the Drop Box at Student Reception.*
- I enclose a cash payment that my child will take to the Finance Office with their planner for a receipt to be provided.
- My child is on the Pupil Premium register and some assistance may be available.

Signed Parent/ Guardian:.....Date:.....

Please return no later than Friday 30th June 2017

The total cost of this visit will be £155. This will cover entrance to the attractions, the accommodation charges and the return ticket to London. (However if you have a **FREE** National Rail card a deduction of £22.50 can be made making the cost £132.50, please tick the box on the permission slip attached.) As well as this, students will be required to pay for their evening meal and lunches for both days. More details of this will be included in the itinerary letter.

There are a limited number of places for this trip and therefore places will be allocated on a 'first come first, served basis'. We will not be prepared to take students on this residential who we feel cannot be trusted to behave in an acceptable manner and therefore, this will be taken into account when allocating places.

Cheques should be made payable to Brine Leas School and returned with the permission slip in an envelope to the Drop Box outside Student Reception.

Cash payments can be accepted when a cheque is not possible. Students may take cash payments directly to the Finance Office and this will be receipted in the student's planner.

If your child is currently eligible for Free School Meals / has in the past been on Free School Meals since 2011 / is currently a Child in Service since January 2011/ is currently a Cared for Child or has ever been looked after by an English or Welsh local authority then some assistance can be applied for through the Pupil Premium Fund. Please return the permission slip below with the Pupil Premium assistance application ticked. The school will contact you to advise what assistance is available. If your form is returned to school showing the Pupil Premium option and we don't appear to have your child on our Pupil Premium records we may need to contact you to clarify

It is the policy of Brine Leas to support families when financial hardship may preclude a student from attending a visit, therefore if you have any problems, please contact Mrs K Bradshaw and the matter will be dealt with confidentially.

If you would like your child to take part in this visit please complete the permission slip below. I have also enclosed a Form C (Parental Permission Form). Please complete the form detailing any relevant medical issues your child may suffer from and return it with the payment and permission slip below no later than **Friday 30th June 2017**. Please note, without this form being completed your child will be unable to attend the visit.

Yours faithfully



Miss K Malkin
Head of Humanities
KMN/SJ/AE/ROS