

9th October 2024

Dear Parent/Carer of \$Forename\$ \$Surname\$

Re: Travel and Tourism trip to London

I am writing about an exciting trip to London for Year 12 and 13 Travel and Tourism students on Wednesday 27th November. The aim of the trip is predominantly to collect research for the Visitor Attractions assignments but also to experience a number of services explored during the other units of the course.

We will spend the morning at the Natural History Museum (year 12 and some year 13), and the Science Museum (some year 13). Students will examine how technology is used to enhance the visitor's experience and explore the range of facilities and services to make a judgement about the museum's appeal for different types of tourists. After the Natural History Museum visit, we will head to see the Christmas lights on Oxford Street before making our way to Winter Wonderland.

For this trip we will travel to London by train. I am pleased to say that Greater Anglia are currently running their 'Hare Fares' promotion which makes this day out more affordable. The contribution for the trip is **£35**; this covers train travel from Woodbridge to London and entry into Winter Wonderland. It does not cover travel on the London Underground as it is cheaper to tap in and out using a contactless card. I would therefore ask to ensure your son/daughter has sufficient funds to travel in Zone 1; the price will be capped at £8.50.

We will leave Woodbridge on the 08:38 train, arriving at London Liverpool Street at 10:19. Students should meet me at Woodbridge Train Station at 08:20. On the return journey the train is due to arrive at Woodbridge Station at 21:32. Students will need to make their own way home so should there be any delay, your son/daughter or I will contact you.

There will be a considerable amount of walking on the day so it is essential that students wear comfortable clothing and footwear that is appropriate for the weather. They should bring snacks and/or money to buy food for the whole day. They may bring additional money if they wish in case there is the opportunity for shopping or activities at Winter Wonderland; this should be carried in a secure bag.

To take advantage of the Hare Fares offer, I need to book our train tickets quickly and therefore ask for **consent and payment to be made by Thursday 17th October**. If this (or the card payment on the Underground) causes a problem but you would like your son/daughter to go on the trip, please contact me so we can discuss a possible solution. Please complete the [Consent form](#) for this trip, and then you will be added to ParentPay for the payment.

Parents should be aware that it is school policy that participation on a trip will be dependent on staff feeling confident that your son/daughter will behave appropriately. In particular, poor behaviour between now and the date of the trip is likely to result in your child being withdrawn from the trip. The decision of the Head Teacher on this matter is final.

As parents you need to be aware that, as with all school trips, there is an element of risk. On this particular trip we will be travelling by train and Underground. Students will have the opportunity to enjoy the activities outlined above in small groups. For the students' safety, they will be given my phone number in case they need to contact me at any point and we will have a designated meeting point at each stage of the day.

Should you have any questions about the trip to London, please do not hesitate to contact us at school by emailing sberrisford@farlingaye.suffolk.sch.uk.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs S Berrisford

Head of Travel and Tourism