

September 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Wednesday 9 October - Year 10 Textiles and Year 11 Fine Art Students Trip to The Pitt Rivers Museum and Natural History Museum, Oxford.

On Wednesday 9 October, Year 10 Textiles and Year 11 Fine Art Students will visit the Pitt Rivers Museum and Natural History Museum in Oxford. Students will get the chance to explore both of these museums during the day. There are a wide range of artefacts across both museums that will be an invaluable source of inspiration for the students and will be used as part of their coursework.

Students need to be in school uniform. They will need to bring sketchpads/pencils to draw and make notes, and cameras if they want to. Students will also need to bring a packed lunch and a drink as there will be no opportunity to buy food.

Students need to meet at Bridgwater and Taunton College (SCAT) bus layby ready to leave for 8.00am. We will return to school for approximately 6.00pm.

The cost of the trip is £12.50 which covers the coach journey. In order to finance this trip, we ask that parents/carers make a voluntary contribution. We very much hope you are able to contribute; if we do not get enough contributions we will have to cancel the trip. As the school receives a grant for students currently receiving free school meals, we do not require a contribution from these students as this can be funded from the grant; however, a completed consent form is still required. If you have any queries on the funding of this trip, please contact the school's Finance Office.

Please pay either via the school's online payment system, by cash/cheque (made payable to The Castle School) or by credit/debit card (either in person or over the phone). All payments and EV5s to be returned **by Monday 30 September**.

This is one of our school Enrichment Days, details of the first day (Tuesday 8 October) will be given to students in due course.

Yours sincerely

Miss E Steed
Head of Art

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I would like my son/daughter (student's name and form) to participate in the Fine Art Trip to Oxford. As a parent/carer, I have read, fully understood and am satisfied with the details supplied about the above mentioned activity and agree to my son/daughter taking part in it.

As parent/carer I would be willing/unwilling* to make a voluntary contribution of £12.50 to cover the cost of the trip. I enclose cash/cheque (made payable to The Castle School) **I have paid online** or by credit/debit card* (*Please delete as applicable).

I am currently receiving Free School Meals.

a) except for visits abroad, insurance arrangements are the same as for students in educational establishments, ie, that the Academy can only insure against the proven negligence by the Academy and/or its employees; and

b) the Academy is a member of the RPA (Department for Education risk protection arrangement) which provides personal accident cover (see copy of the policy on the school website for details) but I may consider taking out my own travel insurance to supplement this if appropriate.

I will:

Arrange to have my child collected from front of Bridgwater and Taunton College (SCAT) after the trip at 7:30pm

Or

b) Give permission for my child to make their own way home.

Signed (Parent/Carer)

Date