

September 2022

Dear Parents,

A level Art & Design/Textiles London residential trip

As part of our A level Art & Design curriculum, we aim to offer students the chance to engage at first hand with the artwork of others. We would therefore like to propose a two-day residential trip to London **on 9th and 10th February 2023.**

The timing of this trip has been planned to support our Fine Art and Textiles year 13 students with their research enquiry into their chosen exam title and to support year 12 students to start to prepare for their year 13 Personal Investigation.

We will travel by National Express coach from Swindon on the morning of Thursday 9th February and we will be staying at **Earls Court youth hostel** (<https://www.yha.org.uk/hostel/yha-london-earls-court>) in West London, which has easy access into the city centre. We will return via National Express coach to Swindon, early evening on Friday 10th.

Further details of specific gallery and museum visits will come later with information on travel and timings.

The approx cost of this trip will be between £70 -£80 per student. Due to fluctuating prices of coach and museum entries, we cannot give a definitive amount until December.

In order to secure a place on this trip, we are asking parents to pay for the trip in three instalments, via parentpay. The first instalment of **£25** is due by **Friday Sept 30th**, the next instalment of **£25** will be due by **Monday October 31st** and the final instalment, which will be confirmed, will be due by **December 12th**.

If you prefer to do so, you are welcome pay both initial instalments (£50) by Sept 31st.

If the trip is cancelled due to insufficient contributions, or if we are unable to go ahead due to Covid restrictions, then your payment will be returned, less the transactional charges associated with the processing of payment.

Farmor's School believes that all students should have equal opportunity to benefit from school activities independent of their parents' financial means. We endeavour to minimise the financial barriers that may prevent some students from taking advantage of these opportunities. Please look at the [school's website](#) for information about how to apply for help with the costs.

If you have any questions about the trip, please do not hesitate to contact me via email.

Thank you.

Ms P Badger

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