

YEAR 7 - NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM AND LONDON EYE

Thursday 29th April 2027: 07.45am – 18.30pm

Dear Parents/Carers,

The geography department are arranging a trip for any Year 7 students that are interested, to experience the excitement of London!

We will be visiting the Natural History Museum; especially to enjoy the Restless Earth exhibition and then on to London's most famous and most visited attraction The London Eye, where we can see the development of the city, the amazing views of the Thames and famous architecture.

The trip will take place on Thursday, 29th April 2027. The coaches will be leaving from school promptly by 8:00am. Students will need to arrive and register with staff in the canteen by 07.45am. Please consider how your child will get to school by 07.45am, as we must leave Willingdon before the school buses arrive.

- We anticipate arriving back at school at approximately 18.30pm.
- Students may take their phones if they have one, to use on the coach, though they will be asked to put them away when we are walking and in the museum.
- Students will wear their school PE kit so that they are easily identifiable and comfortable for walking.
- A packed lunch will be required and a refillable water bottle. If your child is entitled to free school meals, please indicate this on the Google Form when this is sent out.

The trip will provide the students with an invaluable insight into the understanding of the world around them and give them the opportunity to see casts of the Pompeii victims among many other amazing exhibits! We will use this unique opportunity to engage students in learning about world cities and seeing London from its very best viewpoint at the top of the London Eye! The cost for the whole trip is **£45.30** which covers all travel and costs.

There are three coaches available for this trip. Payment for the trip will secure your child's place and this must be received via ParentPay **by Monday, 12th October**. Spaces remaining are indicated on ParentPay accounts, and **when all seats are filled, ParentPay will be closed**. We do not want finance to be a barrier to interested students, so if you envisage any difficulties with payment, please contact me directly as soon as possible. **ParentPay will open for payments on Monday 14th September at approximately 15.00pm.**

Costs are based entirely on numbers, and to keep the costs affordable we have booked three coaches and hope to fill every seat. If you find that you are unable to book via ParentPay or that the trip is not appearing, it is most likely that there are NO spaces remaining. If your child still wishes to go on this trip, then please contact Mrs Collins to be added to the reserve list.

Poor behaviour/low attendance will not be tolerated at Willingdon Community School. Therefore, we reserve the right to cancel a student's participation in a trip if behaviour / attendance does not reach our expected high standards. This will not necessarily include a refund as purchases may have already been made.

Kind regards

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