



15th March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

London Theatre Trip

I am writing to provide you with the final details of our annual London Theatre Trip. This year, the trip will take place on Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th June. Mr Semmons and I will accompany the students. The itinerary is as follows:

Tuesday 27th June 2017	
5.55am	Meet at Redruth Train Station
6.05am	Depart on the train for London Paddington
12.24pm	Arrive at London Paddington. Greeted by London Guide and transfer to Covent Garden Station. We will have a short walk to the Travelodge where we will leave our luggage. Free time in Covent Garden to see the Street Theatre, shopping and to have lunch (not included).
2.00pm	60-minute Drama Workshop at Pineapple Dance Studios with a West End Professional (TBC).
3.00pm	Walk back to Travelodge and check in.
4.45pm	Walk with Guide to Waterloo Vaults.
5.45pm	Performance of 'Alice's Adventures Underground'.
7.15pm	Walk with Guide to Chinatown.
8.00pm	Chinese buffet.
10.00pm	Walk back to Travelodge.

Wednesday 28th June 2017	
8.00am	Extensive hot and cold buffet.
9.00am	Check out of Travelodge, taking all luggage, and transfer to Covent Garden. Please note that luggage must be small enough to fit under a theatre seat.
9.30am	Walk with Guide to the Southbank.
10.45am	75-minute tour of the National Theatre including backstage areas.
12.00pm	Free time on the Southbank – opportunity for lunch (not included).
1.30pm	Walk to Duke of York's Theatre.
2.30pm	Matinee performance of 'Our Ladies of Perpetual Succour'.
TBC	End of performance, transfer to London Paddington via tube.
7.03pm	Depart Paddington Station for Redruth Station (changing at Plymouth).
12.17am	Arrive at Redruth Station (transport needs to be arranged to get home).

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The cost of the all the activities in London amounts to £205.00. To secure our tickets and accommodation, please could I ask that the £51.25 deposit is paid by Wednesday 22nd March - 'Alice's Adventures Underground' is selling out fast! I will write again the week commencing 17th April, to inform you of the cost of the train fare, as the tickets have not been released yet for June. I did speak to First Great Western and was advised that they are likely to be between £52.00 - £69.00 plus £8.00 for the tube ticket. I have been advised that with it being midweek there is a likelihood of discounts being available.

I would be grateful if the final balance could be paid via ParentPay, by Friday 12th May. Some students may be eligible for a bursary for the trip, please contact Jane Rowe if this is the case.

The students will need spending money for lunch, snacks and drinks on both days, tea on the way home and for programmes if they wish to buy them to assist with theatre review writing. I would advise that the students travel light, as we will be carrying our luggage on the second day – a rucksack is ideal, no suitcases please.

May I please stress that students under the age of 18 are not permitted to buy or consume alcohol at any time on the trip and that the Travelodge will take a large deposit to insure against any damage that may occur during our stay. Once back at the hotel, the students are expected to stay in the hotel and remain in their own allocated rooms, once we have gone to bed. Our students have always been impeccably behaved and fantastic ambassadors for the College. During the trip, I may be contacted in case of emergency on the College mobile – I will advise you of this number in April.

If you have any queries, please contact me at College on extension 301, or via email: srichardson@helston.cornwall.sch.uk. I will meet with all the students going on the trip during breaktime on Friday 23rd June in A2. At this meeting, I will be able to answer any questions.

If your child would like to attend this trip, please complete the attached consent slip and return it to me as soon as possible.

In the event of an emergency, we will be referring to the Parental Consent Form that you completed for use during this academic year, commencing September 2016. If there have been changes to any information you have submitted about your contact details or your child's medical needs, then please request a replacement form from reception. This must be submitted prior to the visit.

Yours faithfully

Mrs S Richardson
Subject Leader for Drama



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Name of Student: Tutor Group:

- I give consent for my child to attend the London Theatre Trip from the 27th - 28th June 2017 (inclusive).
- I will either enclose the £51.25 deposit, or make payment on ParentPay, by Wednesday 22nd March.
- I understand that I will need to organise transport to and from Redruth Station.
- I understand that the balance must be paid in full by Friday 12th May 2017.
- There have been no changes to my contact details, or my child's medical needs.
- There have been changes to my contact details, or my child's medical needs and I have requested a replacement form from reception, which will be submitted prior to the trip.

Signature:
 (Parent/Carer)

Date:

Please return this slip to Mrs Richardson, South Site, ASAP