

September 2010

Dear Parent/Guardian

**YEAR 8 ACTIVITY DAY – 15<sup>th</sup> October 2010**

As part of your daughter's GCSE course in Art and Design and in line with our programme of Activity Days, we have arranged a visit to the **British Museum**, London on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October. Pupils will be gathering information and making sketches relevant to the year Eight Art topics.

We will be travelling by coach departing school at 9 am. We will be returning at approx 4.00 pm. (If your daughter travels home on the Consortium bus you may need to make alternative arrangements on this day). Students will be required to wear full school uniform and to bring a packed lunch.

The cost of the trip is £11.00 which includes travel and insurance, entry to the Gallery is free

As with most school trips we are only allowed to ask parents to make a voluntary contribution towards the cost. **This payment is not compulsory, but if insufficient voluntary contributions are raised to fund the visit, then it will be cancelled.**

Parents who can prove they are in receipt of the following benefits will be exempt from paying the cost of the trip:

- Income Support (IS)
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
- Child tax Credit, provided that Working Tax Credit is **not** also received and the family's income (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs) does not exceed £16,040 (Financial Year 2009/10);
- The guarantee element of State Pension Credit; and
- An income related employment and support allowance that was introduced on 27 October 2008.

Please pay for this trip using ParentPay. If you have any problems making payment on ParentPay please telephone either Mrs Martin or Mrs Emery on 01702 476026 to make payment over the telephone. **Payment is required no later than Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2010. Please note that it is also now a requirement that you tick the 'parental consent' box on ParentPay to confirm that your daughter will be attending this trip.**

Yours sincerely

Mr. M. Yeomans  
(Head of Art)