

1st May 2017

The London Arts trip, November 2017

Dear Parents,

Following on from the successes of previous Drama trips to London, I would like to inform you about the combined DBGS Arts and Literature trip to London, during November of the next academic year, 2017/18. This exciting and unique venture will provide students with both a cultural and educationally rewarding experience for Drama, Art, Music, and English Literature. This experience will be very valuable to those students studying an Arts subject at GCSE and A Level, as exposure to live performances and art is a part of the curriculum.

London is regarded as a world leader of theatre, music and art, as well as being a major centre for history and culture. Night after night, renowned international stars can be seen giving critically acclaimed performances in musicals, plays, operas and concerts. Few cities can boast the same variety, depth and quality of theatre, art, and music. London's enduring popularity as a global cultural centre stands as a ringing endorsement of all it has to offer.

Between our London departure date on **November 2nd** to our return on **November 11th** students will experience the following activities:

- See at least **6** critically acclaimed performances;
- Attend at least **3** creatively and educationally rewarding workshops with professional practitioners;
- Enjoy visits, and tours of the Royal National Theatre, Shakespeare's Globe, the New Tate Modern Gallery, the British Museum, the National Gallery and the South Bank Arts centre;
- Explore areas of cultural and historical renown such as Covent Garden, Soho, Oxford Street, Trafalgar Square and Chinatown.

The cost of the trip is SR12,500 (this is based on a group of 12 students attending). However, I am confident that the trip will attract a larger number of students, in which case costs will be reduced.

The cost includes:

- Airfares, and London transport;
- Shared accommodation in central London;
- All meals;
- All theatre tickets, workshops, tours and entrance fees

Not included in the costs:

- Visas if required – must be arranged by parents;
- Insurance - must be arranged by parents from World Nomads Travel Insurance;
- Spending money.



Unless we reserve flights, accommodation, performance tickets, workshops and tours well in advance, the trip is unable to go ahead. So, if you would like your child to take part in this excellent venture, it is essential that we have a firm commitment from you, with an **initial deposit of SR7,500** to reach us by **Thursday 1st June**. Once the trip is confirmed an information evening will be arranged where full details covering all aspects of the trip will be given.

Before committing to the trip it is vital that you confirm you are able to acquire a visa permitting your child to travel to the U.K. unaccompanied by a parent or relative. This is not required for U.K., U.S.A. and E.U. passport holders.

Please complete the attached form and put it in a sealed envelope with the deposit return it to **Mrs Lisa Watson** in the senior school building with your initial deposit no later than **Thursday 1st June**.

Yours sincerely,

Jenny Robinson
Head of Arts and DT
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Please return this form to Mrs Lisa Watson

MADE London trip- November (academic year 2017/2018)

We would like our child _____
in form _____ to take part in the London Arts trip in November 2017.

Contact details are:

Email(s):

Telephone number(s):

I understand that I am responsible for obtaining my child's visa should one be required.

Parent Signature:

To secure their place on the trip we have submit the initial deposit of SR7,500*
The remaining sum (SR5,000) is to be deposited by no later than September 21st.

**Please note: a refund will only be considered provided a replacement student can be found.*