

January 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian

As part of the newly introduced KS4 GCSE History course, we are offering the students an opportunity of a residential trip which will greatly enrich their understanding of the subjects they will be studying. All the departmental trips are organised to reinforce work covered in the class room and help with revision for exams. This trip links directly to the course being done by the current year 10's on the Edexcel School History Course and focuses particularly on the Crime and Punishment element which they will start towards the end of this year.

We will be leaving school on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at lunchtime and returning on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018. Students on the History GCSE course will have the opportunity of visiting a number of sites relating to their studies on Crime and Punishment. This will be an outstanding opportunity to build on their knowledge of the subject option and get a better understanding of a module that they will be examined on at the end of that term. Some of the places we will be visiting on the trip are the Tower of London and the execution site on Tower Hill next to it, the Clink prison, the City of London Police Museum and London Dungeons. We will also be undertaking the Jack the Ripper walk in the evening and a walking the Whitechapel crime, policing and inner city London tour during the day.

This is a trip we are re-introducing this year because we had such great success with it in the past and feel this, like all our other trips in the past, will be one that all of the pupils will enjoy and which will contribute to their understanding of the period and enhanced their learning in relation to their GCSE course.

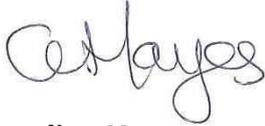
The total cost of the visit at the moment is £270. As this is a curriculum trip there is a compulsory charge of £170 to cover travel, accommodation and meals, and we are asking parents to pay a voluntary contribution of £100 for the entrance to museums etc. We pay for one of the best travel companies to arrange our visit to ensure safety and value for money and we stay on a full board basis in a warm, well serviced student hotel. We will also be travelling by executive coach. The cost of entrance to all visits is included as are entertainments in the evenings for the pupils. Other than any spending money you may wish to give your child there will be no need for any money on the trip. We recognise that some people may wish to arrange alternative methods of paying the total sum for the trip and if you would like to contact myself or the Finance department we are happy to discuss methods of how this can be done to make it easier for yourselves.

If you would like your son or daughter to go on the visit please pay a deposit of £80.00 through ParentPay or sign the slip below and return it to the Finance Office. The deposits are needed as soon as possible, as early reservations lead to discounts for the students, and no later than 17<sup>th</sup> January. Please note that deposits are non-refundable, unless the trip does not run because of lack of support. If you wish your child to come but may have problems meeting this date, please contact me as soon as possible and we can arrange a more suitable payment programme. In exceptional circumstances, pupils can apply to the Uffculme School Trust for support with the cost of the trip. Please contact the Finance Office for further information.

More letters will follow including news of full insurance cover and further payment dates. Please don't hesitate to get in contact with me if you have any questions about the trip.

I do hope that your child can accompany us, as it will help to consolidate many aspects of the work they are studying for their History GCSE course.

Yours faithfully



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**GCSE History Trip to London – October 2018**

Our preferred method of payment is **ParentPay**. Please logon to [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) using your username and password to pay your deposit of £80.00 and give consent. Alternatively please detach this slip and return it to the Finance Office with payment. Cheques should be made payable to Uffculme School.

**Last payment date for the deposit is 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018.**

I am happy for (Pupil's Name)..... (Tutor Group) .....  
to take part in the above trip. I am happy with the information provided for me by the school. I am not aware of any medical reasons why my child should not take part in the visit.

Amount Enclosed: Cash £..... Cheque number: ..... £.....

Signature of Parent/Guardian .....