



1 March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Following the success of our Year 8 trip to Paris, I am excited to inform you that we are organising a Year 10 trip to New York City, USA in April 2025. This trip will offer students a chance to develop life skills such as independence, decision-making, and adaptability. This new-found sense of independence can boost their self-confidence and prepare them for future challenges.

Our aim is for students to have fun, learn new skills, become more motivated as individuals, take part in new and enriching experiences, discover more about themselves and their capabilities and learn to support value and celebrate each other's success.

This trip to New York City will be a truly unforgettable experience for our students. It's an opportunity to explore different cultures, delve into history and gain insights into potential careers. New York will have something to offer everyone. We want our students to experience a fantastic adventure to watch them grow, learn, and create memories that will last a lifetime.

The itinerary will include:

- A Guided Walking Tour of Midtown Manhattan.
- A Trip to Coney Island.
- A 90 Minute Circle Line Cruise Ferry to Liberty and Ellis Island.
- A Visit to Empire State Building.
- A Visit to Top of the Rock.
- A Visit to the 9/11 Memorial.

Meals included:

- 2 Course Meal with soft Drink at Cafe Palermo
- 2 Course Meal with soft drink at Dallas BBQ
- 2 Course Meal with soft Drink at Tick Tock Diner
- 3 Course Meal at La Mela Italian Restaurant (Set Menu)
- 2 Course meal with soft drink at Margaritaville
- 4 x Continental Breakfast in New York (Venue TBA)

The trip will take place from Thursday 10 April – Tuesday 15 April 2025.

I anticipate that we will leave the school site by Midday (depending on flight times) on Thursday 10 April and we will arrive back to the UK on Tuesday 15 April 2025. We will depart from school and head to London Heathrow. In order to run the trip, we will require a minimum of 50 students to attend.

The total cost per pupil contribution is £1975.00.

A deposit of £300 is required to secure your child's place. This will need to be paid by Monday 8 April. These funds are payable via ParentPay (www.parentpay.com). Please note that once you have

committed to a trip, all deposits and monies paid will be non-refundable should your child withdraw from the trip.

Payments of £335 will then need to be made on each of the dates below:

Monday 3 June 2024

Monday 5 August 2024

Monday 2 September 2024

Monday 4 November 2024

Monday 6 January 2025

We do appreciate the significant cost of this trip, it does represent excellent value for money in today's comparative market and I have worked with multiple companies to provide the trip at the lowest possible cost. However, despite this we know this will not be possible for all families, given other commitments, but listening to feedback we wanted to offer students the opportunity should that be possible.

I will be arranging an evening event in the Autumn term 2024, to share important information specific to the trip. I will inform you of the date in the Summer Bulletin.

Educational site visits are an additional opportunity for students to support their learning. Should we have any concerns regarding a student's behaviour either prior to or in the time between signing up to the trip, that student will be withdrawn from the trip and individual parents will be notified accordingly. Any monies paid will be non-refundable unless a suitable replacement can be found and in this instance a refund will be issued minus any deposit paid.

Please also complete the required information, via Parent Pay, to provide student's consent and emergency details.

Yours faithfully,



C Royle (Year 9 Leader)