

Our Ref: 016/17

28<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Dear Parent/ Carer

Members of staff from the History Department are planning to take an educational excursion to London. The visit will take place between **Monday 26th June – Tuesday 27th June 2017**. This will involve the Jack the Ripper Tour, The London Dungeons (or the Shrek Experience), The Tower of London and the Imperial War Museum, Madame Tussaud's, breakfast and an evening meal. We will travel by coach and stay at the Docklands Ibis Hotel. The cost of the visit will include a meal at Pizza Express. There is a proposed itinerary attached to this letter, but this may be subject to some small changes.

The visit will require a voluntary contribution of **£190**. Your son should require only a minimum amount of spending money for food en route, although there will be an opportunity for some souvenir shopping. If the voluntary contributions do not cover the cost of this trip, we regret it may have to be cancelled. In line with a recent change to our Charging Policy, pupils for whom we receive Pupil Premium funding (eg. those entitled to Free School Meals) will not be required to make a voluntary contribution for this trip.

A non- refundable deposit of **£30** will be required in order to secure your son's place on the excursion. You may choose to make one payment. Alternatively, an instalment plan will be as follows:

Deposit: £30  
March: £50  
April: £40  
May: £40  
June : £30

We intend to take 45 pupils, and places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Priority will be given to GCSE students and members of History Club. Pupils who choose to take a mobile phone on the excursion will be expected to use it responsibly, and will risk disciplinary action if they fail to do so. There will be a specific focus on "Crime Over 1000 Years", the new GCSE unit, as well as some work on the unit "Henry VIII and his Ministers".

Please note that the London Dungeons can be frightening for younger students, although historically accurate! You can find more information here <https://www.thedungeons.com/london/en/>. Your son may choose to visit the "Shrek Experience" instead; please indicate your choice on the form below. You can find out more about this activity here <https://www.shreksadventure.com/london/>.

In order to reserve your son's place, please complete the permission slip below and return it to Miss Evans in room 22 as soon as possible. We hope that you will support this activity and take this opportunity to further your son's Historical understanding! Should you have any further questions, please contact me at school on 427 1825, or via email [mevans@stmargaretacademy.com](mailto:mevans@stmargaretacademy.com).

Yours sincerely

Miss M Evans  
(Excursion Leader)

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**REPLY SLIP TO: *Miss M Evans - History Excursion to London - 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> June 2017***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like my son to attend the above trip and understand the contents of the letter. I enclose the non-refundable voluntary deposit of £30.00\*\*/I do not wish to make a voluntary contribution\* (*\*delete as appropriate*)

Please indicate your choice of activity below:

London Dungeons

The Shrek Experience

**\*\*Cash or cheques to *St Margaret's School Fund A/C* in a named, sealed envelope in order that we can secure the places. This should be handed in to the school office.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_(parent/carer)      Date: \_\_\_\_\_