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Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 7 Enrichment Days 2019-20

Throughout the academic year at King's, there are four *Enrichment Days* on which the whole school is off timetable, participating in special events in school and educational visits. Students and teachers engage in activities that it would be impossible to fit into a normal school day. Students can look forward to an exciting programme that requires them to use and develop their existing skills as well as learn new ones.

This year, we are asking that students select the activities they would like to take part in on each day in advance via a google form. This is accessible by clicking [here](#) . This is also available on the [website](#).

Students will select preferences for the four Enrichment Days for the whole year, and any costs will then be payable in instalments across the year. **The online form must be completed by Friday 25th October**. You will receive provisional allocations by the end of the week following half term.

Our Enrichment Days will be running on the following days this academic year:

Friday 13th December 2019
Monday 30th March 2020
Thursday 9th & Friday 10th July 2020

Below are the descriptions for the **Year 7** Enrichment Activities for the coming year. The approximate costs are voluntary contributions, however if we are unable to cover the cost of the visit/activity we will be unable to run the trip, and any payments already made will be refunded.

Please note that if your child is eligible for Free School Meals, or other funding, a reduced parental contribution is available for all curriculum activities if your child is FSM eligible.

Please also note that the costs on these trips are provisional, and may alter due to transport costs and ticket prices. Prices shown are always set to reflect the costs incurred by the school to provide events/activities

As some of the visits have limited numbers, we cannot guarantee your child a place automatically. We will do our best to secure all preferences but if an activity is oversubscribed we will use a lottery system to allocate activities. It is possible that your son/daughter will be allocated all of their preferences should they opt for multiple trips involving a cost; please consider this when completing the form. Please note that should there be insufficient demand for places, a trip will not go ahead.



Payment for trip

Students will be allocated places on trips, based on their preferences wherever possible, no later than November 8th, and payments will then be requested. All payments should be submitted via ParentPay. Where the total cost of all trips for your child this year exceeds £30, **a deposit of £30 must be paid by Friday 15th November 2019.**

For trips and activities running in December, any remaining balance is to be paid by **Friday 29th November 2019.**

For trips and activities running in March, any remaining balance is to be paid by **Monday 24th February 2020.**

For trips and activities running in July, any remaining balance is to be paid by **Friday 29th May 2020.**

If the total cost of the visit/s is less than £30, full payment must be made by **Friday 15th November 2019.** Please contact our finance team (finance@kingsschoolhove.org.uk) if you would not be able to pay this amount in time and would require a more bespoke payment plan.

Please note that payments made before allocations are given to the students do not mean that a student is guaranteed a place on a given trip. Refunds will be given should a trip not be financially viable for the school.

Detailed instructions and student timetables for all activities will be issued nearer the time for each enrichment day.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Mia Lowney

Deputy Headteacher

Year 7 Enrichment day options- 2019-20

Friday 13th December 2019

Option 1: Arras

This is a one day trip to France, in which students will visit a Boulangerie where they will learn how to make bread rolls and croissants. Students will then continue on to Arras and spend the afternoon in the Christmas Market held in the Grand Place.

This trip offers students experience of the French culture, and a real life experience of a key industry in France. They will take part in practical tasks as well as have the opportunity to practice their French speaking skills.

Approximate cost: £80 per student

What this includes: All activities and transport.

This does not include: Food; a packed lunch will be required. Passport; your child will need their own current valid passport.

Option 2: Soap-making

This is a Business and Enterprise day for Year 7 students. The day will comprise of designing, marketing, producing and presenting a product. Students will develop their group work skills; use numeracy and literacy; experience the process of design through to final production; and begin to understand how companies target their buyers.

Approximate cost: £2 per student

What this includes: All materials required for the day; students will be able to take the finished product at the end of the day.

This does not include: Lunch; the school canteen will be open as usual.

Monday 30th March 2020

Option 1: River Cuckmere

This is a Year 7 Geography trip to the River Cuckmere. Students will be walking along the River Cuckmere to the beach and considering lots of interesting geographical processes and issues along this stretch of East Sussex. Students will have the opportunity to take part in some team-building/den building activities and also walk along the River Cuckmere completing some geography fieldwork.

Approximate cost: £18 per student

This does not include the cost of lunch; students will need to bring a nut-free packed lunch.

Option 2: The Observatory Science Centre - Herstmonceux

Students will have an opportunity to enjoy spectacular hands-on science & discovery among the domes and telescopes of a world famous astronomical observatory. Students will also be involved in team challenges within the day.

The Centre is unique because of its connection with astronomy: being located within buildings that were part of the former home of The Royal Greenwich Observatory.

Approximate cost: £18 per student

This does not include the cost of lunch; students will need to bring a nut-free packed lunch.

Option 3: Extreme creatures (PSHE)

This is a day looking at living organisms that survive in extreme conditions. The day will include looking at extreme organisms that live in the surrounding areas, using scientific equipment and designing a new creature which can survive in an inhospitable environment. Students will develop their scientific thinking, their ability to evaluate and scientific practical skills.

Approximate cost: N/A There is no contribution request for this event

This does not include: lunch; the canteen will be open as usual.

Thursday 9th and Friday 10th July 2020

Option 1: Blacklands Farm

This is a one-night residential trip to Blacklands Farm, near East Grinstead. In July 2019, we took 85% of the year group. We would love to have all of our Year 7 students experience this together in 2020.

This is exciting trip for students to both build their resilience and confidence, whilst partaking in some adventurous outdoor activities that we are unable to offer on site.

We hope that all Year 7 students will join this trip as it provides a valuable opportunity for relationship and team building. We believe that this is an excellent opportunity for students to get to know each other better outside of the classroom and to challenge themselves in a new environment.

Approximate cost: £75 per student

What this includes: Dinner on the first night, all activities, tent hire, breakfast and lunch on day two and transport.

This does not include: equipment hire such as sleeping bags.

Option 2: Language and Computing

On day one, students will have the opportunity to explore the schools MicroBits and take on challenging tasks to programme them. Some tasks including programming the MicroBits so they become fitness step counters, Morse code machines and even programming them to play games. Students will learn to use various programming platforms including Block Editor, Microsoft Touch Develop and MicroPython.

On day two, the MFL department will be running a food tasting class in French and Spanish for Y7 students. This will involve menu planning in French and/or Spanish. Students will then have the opportunity to taste and review the delicious dish. Bon Appetit/¡Buen provecho!

Approximate cost: N/A

What this includes: All activities.

This does not include: lunch; the canteen will be open as usual.