



# King's School

## ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

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Dear Parent / Carer,

I am pleased to announce the release of our enrichment trips and visits programme for the academic year 2024-25.

The enrichment programme at King's is designed to give every student the opportunity to experience a variety of opportunities outside of the traditional curriculum so that they can gain life experiences and memories that will stay with them as they move through the school and beyond.

Our intention is that every student will have the opportunity to:

- Visit a national park;
- Take part in an adventurous activity;
- Visit an art gallery or Museum;
- Watch or take part in a live production or a play, musical or dramatic performance;
- Visit a local place of worship;
- Visit an historic site;
- Visit a University or alternative higher/further education setting;
- Visit a place of employment;
- Gain an understanding of their future career options;
- Visit another country and/or capital city;
- Attend a residential trip or camping away from home;
- Undertake practical field work in an outdoor setting or location away from school.

Enrichment days in 2024-25 will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025, and 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July 2025, with most of our trips taking part on these days to minimise disruption to the in-class curriculum.

We hope that by publishing the enrichment offer now, you will be able to plan for which trips your child would like to attend, not only for the coming academic year, but as they move up the school.

We are keen that all trips and events that happen during enrichment days are accessible to all students. If you have any queries regarding how the school can support your child, or if you require financial support to make a trip viable, please contact [finance@kingsschoolhove.org.uk](mailto:finance@kingsschoolhove.org.uk) or the appropriate department. Please note that we are not able to guarantee financial support for trips held outside of term time.

In addition, if you are able to help another child experience a school trip, a contribution to our '2425 Trips Donation Fund', big or small, will make sure everyone in our King's family has access to the best possible experiences during their time with us. You can contribute by logging onto your ParentPay account and finding the item '2425 Trips Donation Fund'.

Please do get in touch if you have any further queries regarding our enrichment programme.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Ben Walker

Assistant Head

# Enrichment Days for 2024-25

Year	29 November 2024	28 March 2025	7-8 July 2025
Year 7*	Victorian Christmas & The Globe Players OR Herstmonceux Observatory Science Centre	Herstmonceux Observatory Science Centre OR The Globe Players	Blackland Farm camping (7-9 <sup>th</sup> July)
Year 8*	Geography Field Work OR Museum of London Docklands	Museum of London Docklands OR Geography Field Work	Thorpe Park
Year 9	Careers Speed Dating (Elev8)	Ypres Battlefields OR Stanmer Park	France OR Blackland Farm And South Downs Walk
Year 10	Sustainability (Oceans – Science / Food Tech) OR Hampton Court	Tate trip OR Cultural Day	France OR Brighton Coastal OR London History And Visit to a place of worship
Year 11	‘Ace my Exams’ and student wellbeing	NEA and Exam Preparation	N/A

\*Where there are 2 similar trips in the programme for this year group, students will be able to go on one trip for the Winter enrichment day and the other trip for the Spring enrichment day.

This programme is subject to change depending on venue availability, uptake etc.

## Enrichment Trips & Visits 2024-25:

Activity	Year	Approximate Cost	Date
The Globe Players** (in school)	7	£10	29 November 2024 / 28 March 2025
Herstmonceux Observatory Science Centre**	7	£27	29 November 2024 / 28 March 2025
Blackland Farm Activity Centre**	7	£180-£200	7-9 July 2024 and then every year
Museum of London Docklands**	8	£30	29 November 2024 / 28 March 2025
Thorpe Park**	8	£49	7+8 July 2025 and then every year
Hamilton Theatre trip	9	£110	January 2025
Ypres Battlefields trip***	9	£390	25 – 27 March 2025
Blackland Farm Activity Centre**	9	£55	7 July 2025
La Rochelle, France	9,10	£960	July 2025 and then every other year
Hampton Court**	10	£35	29 November 2024
GCSE Science Live!**	10	£30	10 February 2025
Tate Modern**	10	£25	28 March 2025
London History Trip	10	£65	8 July 2025
Berlin History trip	10,11	£1000	24-27 October 2025 and then every year
Iceland Geography Trip***	10,11,12,13	£1270	Half term October 2024 and then every other year
Ski Trip Zell am See, Austria	All years	£1800	February half term 2026
Music Tour	All years	£500-£600	July 2026
Spain	9,10	£900-£1000	July 2026

This programme is subject to change and is not comprehensive for our trips offering here at King's. In addition to the enrichment trips above, there are ad hoc trips organised that include theatre trips and curriculum trips. Information regarding these trips is communicated in advance to parents and carers and contributions for these trips are usually under £30.

\*\*These trips are curriculum trips taking place in term time. Students in receipt of free school meals or families who are struggling financially may be eligible for a contribution towards the cost of these trips.

\*\*\*All places are now taken for this trip.

**Victorian Christmas & The Globe Players**

**Year 7**

**November 2024**

The English department will be running a Victorian Christmas themed day exploring Christmas in the Victorian age and students will be making decorations, exploring ghost stories, and writing poems and carols. In addition, the Globe Players will be coming to school to perform a Christmas themed play, based on characters from Dickens' novels. For more information about the work of the Globe Players please access this link:

<https://theglobeplayers.com/>.

Approximate cost: £10

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**What You Will & The Globe Players**

**Year 7**

**March 2025**

The English department will be running a day introducing Shakespeare to our Year 7s. The Globe Players will be coming to school to perform 'What You Will' that takes students through various Shakespeare plays from The Tempest to A Midsummer Night's Dream exploring the different themes that Shakespeare covered. For more information about the work of the Globe Players please access this link: <https://theglobeplayers.com/>.

Approximate cost: £10

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**Herstmonceux Observatory Science Centre**

**Year 7**

**December 2024 / March 2025**

The Science department will be offering an opportunity to visit Herstmonceux Science Centre and Observatory, once home to Royal Greenwich Observatory and the internationally renowned Isaac Newton Telescope.

Students will have the opportunity to see a science show, visit the observatory itself, and experience the many hands-on activities in the science centre.

Approximate cost: £27

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**Blackland Farm**

**Year 7**

**July 2025**

Students will camp for 2 nights on a campsite equipped with canvas tents and toilet/shower blocks.

Whilst at Blackland Farm students will participate in a range of fun and challenging outdoor activities including kayaking, zip wire, climbing, kayaking, crates and teambuilding. Students will always be in groups with a member of King's staff, as well as specialist instructors for certain activities.

Cost: £180-£200

Museum of Docklands London

Year 8

December 2024

The History department will be offering an opportunity to visit The Museum of London, Docklands.

Students will have the opportunity to take a closer look at the slave trade and how it shaped Britain as we know it today. They will also explore other exhibitions such as Docklands at War and Warehouse of the World.

Approximate cost: £30

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Thorpe Park

Year 8

July 2025

Students will take part in a two day 'Theme Park' enterprise event. To support their learning, students will have the opportunity to visit Thorpe Park where they will gain first-hand experience of the entertainment and theme park market.

Students will be taken there by coach. Once there, students will be able to explore the park in friendship groups. There will be several members of staff available throughout the day to support your child with any difficulties and to ensure your child's safety.

Approximate cost: £49

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Hamilton Theatre Trip

Year 9

January 2025

At King's, we strive to make our curriculum as diverse as possible. Year 9 History Club studies the American War of Independence and the creation of the American Constitution. A study of Alexander Hamilton's instrumental role in writing the constitution along with his establishment of their banking system is studied also. To mark the end of this study, there is usually a trip to see the show 'Hamilton' at the Victoria Palace Theatre in London.

Approximate cost: £110

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Ypres Battlefields Tour

Year 9

March 2025

In History lessons students study World War One with a specific focus on both the Somme and trench warfare. The History department have arranged a trip to Belgium where students can bring their learning in these subjects to life.

The itinerary is likely to include:

- Essex Farm Cemetery
- Menin Gate & the Last Post Ceremony
- Tyne Cot British Cemetery

- Memorial Museum Passchendaele
- Flanders Field Museum

Cost: £390

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**Blackland Farm**

**Year 9**

**July 2025**

Students will spend the day at Blackland Farm Activity Centre reflecting on their time at King's before they head into KS4 for their GCSEs.

Students will participate in a range of team building fun challenges such as climbing, crates and zip wire.

Approximate cost: £55

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**La Rochelle, France**

**Years 9 + 10**

**July 2025**

Students will discover a lovely French sea-side region where they will have the opportunity to visit fantastic historical sites such as the UNESCO world heritage site of Saint-Martin de Ré, the La Rochelle aquarium as well as spending an afternoon at France's biggest water park and trying their hand at various water sports. We will be staying in a modern, comfortable youth hostel in La Rochelle.

Approximate cost: £960

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**Hampton Court Palace**

**Year 10**

**November 2024**

The History department will organise a trip to Hampton Court Palace, the home of Elizabeth I. Students will take part in a GCSE revision themed day at the Palace which is run by specialists in the field looking more closely at Elizabeth I to extend their class study of this subject.

Approximate cost: £35

**GCSE Science Live!**

**Year 10**

**February 2025**

The Science department usually organises a visit to the GCSE Science Live! Event at Brighton Dome. This is a chance to see and hear five of Britain's top scientists, all working at the cutting edge of their specialisms. The students also receive top tips on examination success from an experienced science examiner.

The day will be fast-moving, exciting, thought-provoking and will give students the chance to raise issues with the scientists.

**Approximate cost: £30**

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**Tate Modern trip**

**Year 10**

**March 2025**

The Art department will organise a trip to the Tate Modern for our Year 10 GCSE students. The trip will include a special exhibition to inspire projects in the classroom.

**Approximate cost: £35**

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**London History trip**

**Year 10**

**July 2025**

The History department organise a visit to London in July, on one of the school's Enrichment Days, to consolidate students' learning through experiencing real history. This visit will also consolidate students' study of Whitechapel in the 1880s and the Jack the Ripper killings.

The trip is likely to include the following:

- A Jack the Ripper focused tour of Whitechapel, London
- A visit to the London Dungeons
- A viewing of '*Witness to the Prosecution*' which will consolidate students' understanding of the jury system in modern society. A link to the trailer for the theatre show can be found here:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WawaDLaJzuM>

**Approximate cost: £65**



**Berlin History trip**

**Years 10 + 11**

**October 2025**

In History, Year 11 students study the post war Weimar government in Germany, its downfall with the Treaty of Versailles, and Hitler's subsequent rise to power in 1933. An important component of their study is life in both Nazi and Weimar Germany. The History Department has therefore arranged a trip to Berlin at the beginning of December 2023 to visit some historical sights, engage with German culture, and to witness living history.

**Cost: £950-£1000**

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**Iceland**

**Years 10, 11, 12 + 13**

**October 2024**

The Geography Department is organising a trip for our Key Stage 4 students to Iceland. The trip will be a fantastic opportunity for Geography students to study this fascinating landscape first hand and is likely to include a visit to the Golden Circle, a glacier walk, Reykjanes Peninsula and Reykjavik.

**Approximate cost: £1270**

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**Ski Trip**

**All years**

**February 2026**

For the ski trip we are planning on returning to Zell Am See, Austria in February half term. The hotel is ideally suited for young people with two sports halls, a cinema room, a disco room, a games room, indoor volleyball courts and lots of other facilities.

The trip includes coach and ferry travel to and from the resort; full board accommodation; packed lunches on the slope; lift passes; ski insurance; ski equipment hire, including helmets. The trip will offer participants five hours of ski tuition per day with fully qualified staff as well as a variety of evening entertainments. There will also be some optional evening activities, such indoor climbing and bowling, for which there will be an additional charge.

**Approximate cost: £1800**

**Music Tour**

**All Years**

**2026**

Following a very successful music tour to Belgium, the Music Department are keen to explore a different area to include 2 concerts (students will need to be able to sing), and other fun trips.

**Approximate cost: £500-£700**

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**Spain**

**Years 9,10**

**July 2026**

This exciting trip to Northern Spain will give our students a great opportunity to practice their Spanish speaking skills. The trip is likely to include various excursions. Watch this space to find out which location we will explore on our next trip

**Approximate cost: £900-£1000**