February/March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

**GCSE ART and DESIGN Year 10 Liverpool Visit, 26/03/20.**

As part of GCSE and Art and Design the Art department has organised a trip to Liverpool. Pupils will visit the Chinese Gate, Tate Liverpool and The World Museum of Liverpool. This trip is planned for **Thursday 26th March 2020.** Pupils will be taken to and returned from Liverpool during school hours.

The trip will be the start of your child’s second Unit 1 project based on ‘Identity and Forms’ - a significant part of their sketchbook work. Unit 1 is 60% of the overall GCSE grade, so this visit is vital to the work they produce towards their grade. Our previous experience of such visits suggests that pupils will not only enjoy the trip, but benefit greatly from attending.

Entering the museums is free but the costs of transporting such a large number of people are high. Consequently, we have little choice other than to ask for a voluntary contribution of **£5.00** for each pupil taking part. No pupils will be excluded from this trip, but we will need a contribution from those involved if we are to go ahead with it. If you would like your child to take part, please complete the medical form via our school website: [www.olchs.lancs.sch.uk/parents/school-trips](http://www.olchs.lancs.sch.uk/parents/school-trips) and make the full payment of £5.00 no later than Friday 13th March via our online payment system: [www.scopay.com/olchs-lancs](http://www.scopay.com/olchs-lancs). If you feel that you will struggle to pay, please do get in touch with me at vbo@olchs.lancs.sch.uk.

The potential impact on learning of such a visit can be very high indeed, as pupils see the world of art, craft and design in action. We would ask that pupils bring either a smartphone, tablet or digital camera to record the artefacts they see on the visit and the resulting images can be printed at school and put directly into their GCSE Cultures sketchbook. They must also bring pens and pencils to make sketches and notes of the artefacts they see.

**Pupils must wear full school uniform** and must bring a weather/waterproof coat, as the group will be walking outside from the Tate to the World Museum during the day. Pupils will also need to bring a packed lunch as food will not be purchased whilst at Liverpool.

Please note that this visit is covered by Lancashire County Council public liability insurance but there is no personal accident insurance cover provided for your child. If you feel that this is necessary, you will need to make separate arrangements. Please be aware therefore, that we accept no responsibility for any valuables/personal possessions which your child chooses to take on this visit.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

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