

24 May 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Further information - Year 12 Thorpe Park day trip Friday 5 July 2024

You will shortly be receiving a letter outlining the schedule for Year 12 ACE Week activities. On Friday 5 July we are offering a trip to Thorpe Park to celebrate the hard work and effort they have put in throughout the year and during ACE week. This is the only activity being offered on the 5 and we will have space for 68 students.

You should be aware of the following:

The cost will be approximately £43, depending on the numbers attending.

Attendance to activities on the Monday 1 July to Thursday 4 July, will be monitored and students will be expected to have 100% attendance on these days in order to be included in the trip on the Friday. In the event of non-attendance, the cost of the ticket will be forfeited as we will have already committed numbers to the coach company and the venue.

Trip information

Students will be travelling by coach, and will need to be at the **Sixth Form Common Room by 7.50am** in order to depart school at 8.00am. Sensible clothing for a theme park, including footwear, is expected to be worn, and we would also suggest sunscreen if the weather is warm, along with a filled water bottle. Students will need to bring either a packed lunch and snacks, or sufficient money to buy lunch and snacks at the venue. We expect to **return back to school at around 5.00pm**. Please note that this will be after the school buses have left, so students will need to arrange their own transport home, and it is your responsibility to ensure your child can return home safely. We recommend you stay in touch by mobile phone.

Trips fees and payment

If you would like your child to take part in this trip, a **£10 deposit should be paid by Tuesday 4 June** to secure a place. You are not obliged to make this contribution, but if insufficient funds are received, it is likely that the trip will be cancelled. If you are unable to contribute, please contact the school directly to discuss further.

The balance of the payment will be due by **Thursday 20 June**. Confirmation of the amount of the balance payment will be communicated once all of the deposits have been received, and we have a clear idea of the number of students wishing to attend.

Parents/carers should pay for the trip using ParentPay, at www.parentpay.com using their unique login and password. Please note that payment for the trip through ParentPay acts as parental permission and therefore no reply slip is necessary. If you would prefer to pay by cash, you may

do so at your local Paypoint retailer using a barcoded letter. Please request this letter from the finance department (tel: 01403 787223 or email finance@theweald.org.uk).

Please note that payments are non-refundable as the school makes a financial commitment to the tour operators and other companies based on the number of places we book. Should you secure a place for your child and subsequently decide to cancel, you may be liable to pay any outstanding balance in full, which we have already committed to the operators or venues. However, if your child is unable to travel due to ill health, a medical certificate to cover the date/dates involved from GP/hospital will be required, in order that a claim can be made through the school insurance. Without this evidence we will be unable to make any refund. All transaction charges are non-refundable in any circumstance. This is currently 1.6% of the total contribution.

Terms and conditions

As you know, we have the highest expectations of our students for their behaviour and conduct around school, and they rarely let us down. However, please be aware that your child's place on any school trip is dependent on their ability to cooperate fully with staff and other students, to be a responsible member of our community and to comply with school rules. In the unlikely event that a member of staff feels this is not the case, they reserve the right to withdraw a child from a trip for safeguarding purposes. Please note that payments are non-refundable and you may be liable to pay any outstanding balance in full, which we have already committed to the operators or venues.

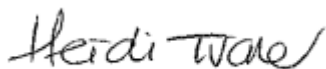
We would encourage you to read all trip terms and conditions, including cancellation policies, medical, refunds and student expectations on our website under Curriculum, Enrichment, Trips or by using [this link](#).

To help keep our records up to date, please inform us of any changes to your child's personal or medical information. This can be updated by downloading the Medical Information Form via our website and sending it to the Sixth Form office.

Should you have any questions, please contact me directly. For the latest information about Weald trips, follow our Twitter account [@WealdTrips](#)

We cannot guarantee all trips will be included on our Trips Twitter page.

Yours faithfully,



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