



Hall Green School An Academy

November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Art Department visit to The New Gallery, Walsall – Friday 7 January 2022

In order to support your child in their **GCSE Art studies**, we have arranged a visit to **The New Gallery, Walsall on Friday 7 January 2022**. This **IMPORTANT** trip will include two artist led workshops in printing and drawing as well as time spent in the galleries to look at both the permanent exhibition and the current temporary exhibit. We will be encouraging pupils to sketch, photograph and record their ideas on the artworks and all pupils will be provided with printed booklets to help them in their studies. **This trip will be of great benefit to your son/daughter in their GCSE Art preparation and it is STRONGLY recommended that they attend.**

We shall be travelling by train, leaving Hall Green Station promptly at **8:45am**, so your child **must** be in school **by 8.30am**. We will be returning by train, to arrive at approximately **5:30pm** at Hall Green Station, where they will be dismissed from.

In order for the trip to take place we require a **non-refundable** payment of **£17.50** to be made online via ParentPay by **Thursday 2 December 2021**. In exceptional circumstances, if you do not have access to the internet, please ask for a barcode to pay at a local shop that offers PayPoint. It is **essential** that all **payment deadlines** are adhered to; any students that have not paid by this date will not be permitted to participate in this trip. Deadlines are set to ensure the school can make payments to the organising company in advance of the trip taking place. Payment also signifies parental permission for the pupil to attend the trip. If your child is eligible for the Pupil Premium we may be able to help meet part of the cost of this trip. If financial help is required, please contact Mrs Dickerson via the usual school number.

PLEASE NOTE: As we will be doing some drawing and ‘worksheet’ based work in the gallery, your child will need to bring a pencil. They will also need a packed lunch for the trip. If your child is entitled to a free school meal and you wish a lunch to be provided by school, please order this with Mr Kennard. Pupils will **not** need to wear school uniform but should dress appropriately for the trip and wear warm clothes and shoes that are comfortable for standing and walking in.

IMPORTANT: We will use the emergency contact details and medical records for your child that we currently hold on file. If there have been any recent changes to either of these, please could you inform the school as soon as possible.

During trips and visits members of the public often comment on the good behaviour of our pupils and how much of an ambassador they are to the school. However, if your child fails to meet the school’s Expectations for Learning, displays unacceptable behaviour in or out of school or shows a poor attitude towards staff, the privilege of attending may be revoked at any time at the Head teacher’s discretion. No refund of any monies paid will be made.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Kennard - Head of Art

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