

Date 5th December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

At Potterspurty Lodge School we endeavour to enhance our young people's learning by visiting different sites and sharing experiences.

As we move towards the end of 2023 we are looking to run a variety of trips across the majority of year groups in the school. Most of these trips are local and therefore considered part of our everyday curriculum, however some are further afield and are detailed below.

Please note, that on the trips that are detailed in this letter, most students will be travelling for over an hour each way on transport. We recognise that this is a long time and therefore will give permission for students to bring a mobile device so that they can keep themselves entertained for the duration of the travel. We would politely ask you to remind your child of keeping themselves and others safe by not taking photographs or videos of each other on the trips.

We would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our year 11 students who are currently sitting their mock exams. They are all very focussed and working hard in their final year with us. Due to the mock exam timetable, they do not have an excursion planned before Christmas, however we would like to reassure them that in the new year a trip will be arranged for them.

Wednesday 6th December 2023- Tring Museum (Science) YEAR 10

We have arranged to take Year 10 students on a day trip to the Natural History Museum at Tring. This will be during school hours.

We will travel to the Museum by school bus and expect to arrive at approximately 10.30am.

Workshops: Biodiversity and conservation workshop at 10.45 (approx. 45 minutes duration)

Lunch slot (Walter's Workshop) 12.00 – 12.30pm.

We will be leaving the museum at 2pm to return to Potterspurty Lodge in time for usual school close.

There will be a packed lunch provided but students wishing to bring their own lunch can. No additional money is required.

Here is a link to the museum for additional information – [Tring | Natural History Museum \(nhm.ac.uk\)](http://www.nhm.ac.uk)

Tuesday 12th December 2023- St. Albans (PHSE/RE) YEAR 10

All Year 10 students are invited to attend a trip to St. Albans where we will visit both St. Albans Cathedral and St. Albans Museum. Students will be able to see the cathedral, restored courtroom and prison cells underneath the Town Hall.

We will travel to St Albans by school bus and expect to arrive in at 10.30am.

We will spend the morning looking around the cathedral before walking to the museum in the afternoon.

We will be leaving St Albans around 1.30pm and will be back on site for the normal school ending time.

As part of students' independent skills, we will be purchasing lunch whilst off site, no money is required for this.

Attached are the websites for both sites, where additional information can be found:

[St Albans Museum + Gallery | St Albans Museums](#)

[St Albans Cathedral](#)

Monday 18th December 2023- Royal Air Force Museum London - Primary, YEAR 7, 8 and 9

This trip will see staff and students enjoy a self-guided tour of the museum with an additional 1-hour practical lesson on experiencing life in WWII.

The trip will leave school using school transport around 9.15am and be back on site in time for students to use their normal transport home at 3pm.

There will be a packed lunch provided but students wishing to bring their own lunch can. No additional money is required.

Here is the web address for the museum, where additional information can be found.

[Join us at the RAF Museum London](#)

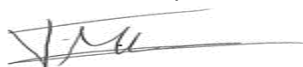
Tuesday 19th December 2023- Train to London and Sightseeing (PHSE) - YEAR 7, 8 and 9

This trip will see students working on their travel skills, supported by staff. Students will be taking a train to London and then stopping at a few popular tourist locations; these may include the British Museum, Buckingham Palace, Houses of Parliament and Big Ben.

Further details regarding this trip will be sent directly to the parents and carers of the students attending at a later date. Please note, students are due to arrive back at school at a later time than normal and therefore a later pick up will need to be arranged by parents and carers.

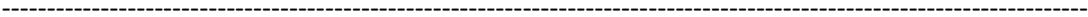
Please complete the slip below giving permission for your child to attend the trips allocated for their year group or email permission to elaine.burns@cambianguroup.com.

Yours sincerely,



Josh Mayer

Assistant Principal and Personal Development



Pupil's Name _____

I would like _____ to attend the trips arranged for their year group.

Signed _____ Parent/carer

Date _____