

7<sup>th</sup> May 2008

Dear Parent/Guardian

**Re: Year 9 - Out of School Visits - Curriculum Enrichment Week 9-13 June 2008**

Arrangements for Curriculum Enrichment Week are now being finalised and I am writing with details of the planned out of school visits programme for Year 9.

Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> June
LEA: PE Outdoor Activities  RNS: Thames Trip OR Duxford	All forms:  Whipsnade	All forms:  A variety of activities linked to the Second World War	All forms:  PE Outdoor Activities	LEA: Thames Trip OR Duxford  RNS: PE Outdoor Activities

PE Outdoor Activities are part of a wider programme and information regarding this is being sent out separately. Full details of Wednesday's activities will be issued in school. These will take place in normal school hours and will involve no extra cost.

Out of school visits are planned for the remainder of the week. Please refer to the back of this letter for details regarding each trip. Since Year 9 pupils are beginning their Year 10 GCSE Curriculum after half term, those studying GCSE Geography will take part in the Thames field trip. All other pupils will take part in the Duxford trip.

The cost of these visits is as follows:

Thames Trip (**THOSE STUDYING GEOGRAPHY ONLY**): £13  
Duxford Imperial War Museum (**ALL THOSE NOT STUDYING GEOGRAPHY**): £10.50  
Whipsnade (**ALL PUPILS**): £12

Unfortunately, we are unable to meet these costs from our own funds, and the visit will only be able to go ahead if parents are prepared to make the appropriate voluntary contribution to school funds. It is entirely up to you whether you wish to contribute. However, if all parents are not prepared to make this contribution then the visit may not be able to take place for any of the students.

**I should be grateful if you would complete the attached reply slip and return it together with your payment by no later than Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May.** If you wish to discuss financial assistance or a possible extension on the payment deadline please contact the Finance Office before 21<sup>st</sup> May. As you will appreciate, the school offers a complex range of activities, both in and out of school, across all year groups during Curriculum Enrichment Week. It is, therefore, essential that all forms are returned by this deadline in order to ensure the smooth running of the programme. **No forms will be accepted after this date.** Please send the form with your money or cheque (payable to Beaumont School) in a sealed envelope with your son/daughter's name, form and 'Year 9 Curriculum Enrichment Week' clearly written on it. **This should be posted in the appropriate box outside the Finance Office.**

Pupils who are not participating in any of the above visits will be provided with work in school.

Yours sincerely

B. Carter  
Assistant Headteacher

**Re: Year 9 Curriculum Enrichment Week – 9-13 June 2008**

**(Please return to the box outside the Finance Office marked 'Year 9 Curriculum Enrichment Week' by Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May)**

Pupil's Name ..... Form .....

I do/do not\* give permission for my son/daughter to participate in the Curriculum Enrichment Week Programme

I am/am not\* prepared to make the contribution requested. I enclose:

- £25 for the Thames Field Trip and Whipsnade **(Geography GSCE students only)**

**OR**

- £22.50 for Duxford and Whipsnade **(All other students)**

I agree to his/her taking part in the activities described. I also consent to any emergency medical treatment, including the use of anaesthetics, necessary during the course of the journey. I understand that for the school's insurance policy to cover any pre-existing medical condition, I must provide a letter from my GP stating my son/daughter is fit to travel.

Emergency contact/medical details. Please tick either box A or B.

- A  I confirm that all details held by the school on the gold form concerning emergency contact telephone numbers and/or medical conditions affecting my son/daughter are correct, or that I have already notified the school of any changes.
- B  Please note the following change(s) to the above details, which is/are:
  - for this visit only
  - permanent.

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**Signed ..... Father/Mother/Legal Guardian    Date .....**

**Whipsnade – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June (All forms)**

**Cost: £12**

**Organiser: Mr D Whyman, Head of Science**

The Science Department has organised a trip to Whipsnade which will act as part of your learning for GCSE Science. We will be covering work on 'animal adaptation' and hopefully will have an opportunity to see the Birds of Prey Show and the Sea Lion Display.

We will travel by coach leaving school at 9.30 am and returning at approximately 3.30 pm. Pupils should wear school uniform and will need a packed lunch, waterproofs in the event of wet weather and some extra money if required for purchases on the day.

**Thames Geography Field Trip – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June (RNS Geographers), Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June (LEA Geographers)**

**Cost: £13**

**Organiser: Miss S Hosegood, Head of Geography**

As a part of the Curriculum Enrichment Week, those Year 9 students studying GCSE Geography will take part in a fieldtrip. This year, the visit will focus on changes in land use along the River Thames, regeneration and how London is prepared for natural hazards.

On both days, we will leave school at 8.45am and travel by coach to Westminster Pier where we will take a boat down the River Thames to the Thames Barrier Pier. Along the route students will be able to view and learn about how London's land use has changed over recent years and in particular will be looking for evidence of regeneration and re-imaging projects. The boat trip will take approximately 1 hour 15 minutes. After disembarking at the Thames Barrier, students will have their lunch in the grounds of the visitor centre and then there will be an opportunity for all students to go inside the centre and learn about how the Barrier works and how London is prepared for coastal flooding. Pupils will return to school at approximately 4.00 – 4.30pm depending on traffic. The return time is likely to be later on the Friday visit.

The cost of this visit will cover coach transport, boat trip and entrance fees. Pupils should wear school uniform and should bring a waterproof coat and wear warm clothing. There will be limited shelter on the boat trip and while having lunch. Pupils should also bring a packed lunch and writing equipment.

**Duxford Imperial War Museum – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June (RNS non-Geographers), Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June (LEA non-Geographers)**

**Cost: £10.50**

**Organiser: Mr B Carter, Assistant Headteacher**

For all those pupils not studying Geography, we have organised a trip to Duxford Imperial War Museum, where students will be able to enjoy exhibits, exhibitions and activities relevant to the study of the two World Wars. This will complement Wednesday's activities in school.

The trip fits into the normal school day. We will travel by coach. Pupils should wear school uniform and bring a packed lunch and appropriate clothing as some exhibits are outside.