



22nd November 2018

Religious Studies Residential Trip to Krakow – 10th- 13th October 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to be able to offer your son/daughter the opportunity to visit the historic city of Krakow in Poland, in October 2019. The purpose of the trip is to explore the Right to Religious Freedom, Issues of Prejudice, Discrimination and Equality (key themes found within their Religious Studies GCSE), by visiting Auschwitz, other places associated with the Holocaust, and meeting with a survivor or relative of a Holocaust survivor.

The trip is being booked through NST Travel, the UK's leading educational travel company for schools with more than 45 years' experience. They work closely with us during the whole tour planning process to ensure that your child will get the very best learning experience whilst away. You can find out more about NST on their website, www.nstgroup.co.uk/about-us. The programme of activities being delivered by NST will enhance students' understanding of key themes in their GCSE Studies and complement the teaching of the AQA specification A theme of Human Rights and Social Justice

The trip will leave York on Thursday 10th October and return on Sunday 13th October (exact timings to be confirmed). Travel will be by coach and plane. Accommodation will be in the Alexander I hotel near the center of Krakow, which NST have used for many years. Whilst in Krakow, we will have the benefit of a fully qualified Guide with us at all times, to ensure we get the highest educational value out of the trip, through their expert knowledge.

The total cost of the trip will be £572, to include all transport, entry fees, accommodation, breakfast and evening meal in the hotel, the services of the Guide, and travel insurance. We will also benefit from NST's 24hr emergency contact services, should they be required whilst on tour. In addition to the tour cost, we recommend that your child has around £45 spending money with them on the trip, for lunches and small mementos, should they wish to buy any.

There are 30 spaces available on this trip, so pupils who would like to go are being asked to write a reflective piece of work on 'Why should the Holocaust be remembered?' This should

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be no more than 500 words in length if completed as a written piece; however, it can also be done creatively in the form of a poem, or piece of artwork etc. This should be submitted, along with the parental consent form to confirm you are happy for them to attend the trip, to their RS teacher by 3:20pm on **Monday 3rd December**. In the event of more than 30 returns being submitted by this date, Mr Tate and I will then select students based on their submissions. Once places have been confirmed, the initial deposit of £125 will be due by **21st December**. A schedule will be issued for paying the remainder of the cost by 1st July 2019. The online system ParentPay will be used for all future payments. This will allow parents to pay securely and track payments online. Deposits paid will be non-refundable. If a student cancels before the 1st April and the place is filled by another student any money paid will be reimbursed (less the deposit), after this time the cost of the trip will not be refunded. If a student's behaviour / attitude require them to be removed from the trip then the cost will not be refunded.

If you have any questions about the proposed visit, please contact myself via the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Miss C Day
Trip Leader

RELIGIOUS STUDIES RESIDENTIAL STUDY VISIT TO KRAKOW

I would like my son/daughter _____ (name),
_____ (form) to go on the Religious Studies residential study visit to Krakow in
October 2019

Signed _____ Date _____