



December 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

## **Year 11 Educational Visit to Longford Castle – Salisbury**

For our current year 11 group one of our key topics is Elizabeth I, The Early Years (1558-1588). The History Department have been given an opportunity by Lord Radnor to visit Longford Castle near Salisbury. Longford Castle was built in the Elizabethan period and as such, would give our students a sense of the styles and buildings from this historic period created from the wealth generated through the Elizabethan voyages of discovery. Longford Castle, is one of the grandest stately homes in Britain and has been the residence of one family for 300 years. It is not a compulsory requirement to visit a historic site however, we hope that this visit will allow 30 of our students to appreciate Elizabethan architecture, design and interiors and add to their GCSE studies for History.

The date for this trip will be **Monday 28 April 2025**, spaces are limited by the venue to 30 students. We will be leaving Noadswood by coach after tutor time at 9:45am and arriving back at school at 2.30pm. We will be stopping on the way back at McDonald's, Ower for lunch. Alternatively, students will need to bring a packed lunch with them and any drinks they require. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals this will be provided for them from the school canteen, if you wish for your child to have a McDonald's instead, the cost of this will need to be incurred by yourself. **Your child will not be required to wear school uniform.**

If your child would like to attend, please log in to the Arbor app and provide your consent for your child. If you are using a mobile phone to view the app, please turn your device to landscape and scroll to the bottom right of the page, select 'Trips' and a new screen will show you the visit to Longford Castle. Choose the trip and follow the details in order to provide consent.

The cost of the trip will be **£16.00, this price covers entrance to Longford and the cost of petrol for the school minibuses, it does not include lunch.** This cost is based on a successful uptake for pupils to join us but, we may need to ask for a further small contribution if uptake is low. We do reserve the right to not proceed with the trip if numbers are too low. In this instance, anyone who has already paid will be refunded in full. If this trip is oversubscribed, we will determine the places by a fair ballot and those who are unsuccessful will be refunded in full. Online, via Arbor is our new method of payment and this has been set up for you to pay. The closing date is **24 January 2025**. If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium (or has been entitled to Free School Meals in the last 6 years), financial support may be available. In the first instance, please contact our Finance team by email to see if help is available on [finance@noadswood.hants.sch.uk](mailto:finance@noadswood.hants.sch.uk)

Shortly after the closing date, we shall be in touch to confirm whether your child has secured a place on this trip and to provide further information.

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We always take our responsibility for the safety and welfare of our pupils seriously. This raises particular issues when pupils are involved in an activity off-site. Before taking pupils away from the school site, we carry out a thorough risk assessment and take all necessary measures to minimize risks including arranging appropriate levels of supervision by responsible adults. We expect that pupils involved in the activity will cooperate fully with the arrangements made and follow the instructions of the responsible adults throughout the activity. We therefore reserve the right to refuse a place on the trip to any pupils where there has been a behaviour concern previously.

Yours sincerely

History Department