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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Year 10 GCSE History Revision Conference- Medicine

I am writing to inform you about an upcoming educational trip offered each year to our Year 10 GCSE historians. As a History department, we have offered over many years the opportunity to attend a GCSE History play and revision event, run by School History Scene.

This academic year the trip will take place on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2026**, students will depart Noadswood during tutor time, travelling by coach, to attend the event at the Berry Theatre in Hedge End and arrive back in time for lunchtime and period 5 lesson. We have been able to secure 44 tickets for the event but if oversubscribed we will ballot for places. The cost of the trip which covers coach travel, the event and a GCSE support pack for each student is £28.

We have attended the Medicine event many times and each year our Year 11 historians reflect how brilliant the play was and how helpful it was hearing from a GCSE examiner about how to be successful in the medicine paper. The session focuses on the key individuals we are currently studying in the GCSE, with actors playing each character. This is then followed by an exam busting workshop in which students are shown how their exam papers will be marked, and advised on how to improve their performance. The conference is always a great success and can help boost your child's GCSE results. Other schools will also be in attendance and there is already a waiting list of other schools wishing to attend this event.

If your child would like to attend, please log in to the Arbor app and provide your consent for your child to attend. 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 trip your child is being offered. Choose the trip and follow the details in order to provide consent. Online, via Arbor is our new method of payment and this has been set up for you to pay. The closing date is **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 4pm**. 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 at [finance@noadswood.hants.sch.uk](mailto:finance@noadswood.hants.sch.uk) for further information.

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.

Please could you check that your child's medical conditions are all up to date on Arbor before they go on this trip. To add new medical conditions, please go to Arbor and click on your child's profile, scroll down to the Medical Section and click on the **+Add** in the top righthand corner. Once finished, please click the update button. If you need to update what we already have on file, click on your child's profile and scroll down to the Medical Section. Click on the existing condition to update. Any submissions for medical conditions will take a few days to appear on Arbor as they will be reviewed by the medical team.

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We take seriously our responsibility for the safety and welfare of our students at all times. This raises particular issues when students are involved in an activity off-site. Before taking students 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 students involved in the activity will cooperate fully with the arrangements made and follow closely the instructions of the responsible adults throughout the activity. We therefore reserve the right to refuse a place on the trip to any students where there has been a behaviour concern previously.

Yours sincerely

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GCSE History teacher