



Friday, October 8th, 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 Wider Horizons Week

We are planning a fun-filled week of learning that is designed to enhance your son's educational experiences, broaden their horizons and develop their 'cultural capital'.

During Wider Horizons Week normal lessons will be suspended so that pupils can participate in a wide variety of educational experiences. Your son will receive a mixture of in-depth subject specific learning. There will be external companies visiting the school, educational day trips, workshops and in addition, homework will be planned to enable the pupils to reflect on their experiences during the half term.

Wider Horizons Week is designed to enhance the core curriculum provision for priority subjects. This will also include spirituality and mindfulness, as well as, Personal, Social, Health Education. (*PSHE and Careers Education*). Many themes will be covered during these sessions that are essential for pupils to understand the world around them and help them to develop into responsible citizens and 'leaders of good influence'.

The Year 8 activities are:

MONDAY: Black History Month - Presentation by Paul Canoville: (in school)

First Black Chelsea Football player from 1981-86 talks about his experiences.

MFL TRIP – NATIONAL GALLERY (extra-curricular trip)

Pupils will travel (via TFL transport) to the national gallery to view works of art from across Europe and participate in a workshop.

TUESDAY: PSHE DAY: (in school)

Topics will focus on; online safety, safety in the community, healthy relationships, British Values, Black History Month, Careers Education, mental health and wellbeing.

WEDNESDAY: STEMRobotics / CODING (in school)

An external company will provide computer coding and drone flying activities. We will also provide a computing project in school for pupils to participate in.

THURSDAY: RELIGIOUS REFLECTION (in school)

Pupils will participate in activities that promote cohesion, spirituality, understanding, mindfulness, stewardship and Religious Education.

FRIDAY: SCIENCE TRIP – SCIENCE MUSEUM (extra-curricular trip)

Pupils will travel (via TFL transport) to the Science Museum to marvel at the innovations and accomplishments of Science through the ages.

Pupils should arrive promptly, on or before the recommended time of **8:30 am**, so that registration and commencement of activities can begin without delay. Pupils will complete their day at the usual time of **3:10 pm**. *(Please note this might be slightly earlier/later for trips out of school due to unforeseen circumstances. We will advise staff remaining in school of any changes. Pupils can contact parents via the phone in reception if required)*. Full school uniform should be worn, to and from school, as always, and throughout each day.

Pupils who have a meal provided for them will continue to do so. This will be a packed lunch for external trip days, or an in-school meal as normal. Pupils who do not have a meal provided for them will need to either have a packed lunch from home, for days out of school, or they can continue to purchase a meal in school.



A place has already been reserved for all of your son's planned Year Group activities. To help meet the cost of these activities we are asking parents/carers to contribute. **Payment of £9 should be made by Friday, October 15th (a reduced contribution is available for pupils in receipt of free school meals.)** This must be paid via your ParentPay account. Parents/Carers can log in at the website www.parentpay.com, the payment for the Wider Horizons Week will be visible. If you have any payment queries, please contact Mr Fowler, School Business Manager via finance@salvatorian.harrow.sch.uk. For all other queries you should contact the Head of Year.

By making the payment you are agreeing to the following terms and conditions associated with the Wider Horizons Week:

You grant permission for your son:

- to attend the trip / participate in the in-school activities.
- to receive medical treatment in an emergency situation if you cannot be contacted.

You confirm that:

- your son's medical and contact details, held by the school are up to date, and that you will inform us of any changes to these details between now and the activity date.
- your son is not experiencing any of the Covid19 symptoms at the time of the activity provided. Should we feel that your son is showing symptoms of Covid19 we will, where possible, isolate the pupil, and inform parents/carers. *(We recommend pupils regularly take Lateral Flow Tests every 5 days and follow NHS guidance. This currently states that PCR testing is recommended following a positive Lateral Flow Test result within 2 days. A negative PCR result, within the time frame, means that pupils can participate in all activities – we request confirmation of the PCR result).*
- you understand that if your son's behaviour in school gives cause for concern then he may be withdrawn from the trip/activity, and that any payments will not be refunded.
- Pupils are expected to obey the schools Behaviour Policy at all times whilst representing the school.

We have all waited a long time for such activities to be available. This is a fantastic opportunity to come together and celebrate what the Salvatorian College and wider community can offer.

Yours sincerely

Mr. Cooper
Assistant Headteacher