

Our Ref: SRE
Wednesday, 17th November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

The Cultural Capital Programme

As part of our wider learning experience, we are running a programme of events and visits throughout Years Seven, Eight, Nine and Ten under the heading of Cultural Capital. These events and visits are intended to broaden students' experiences through a wide range of cultural activities. Each year group will take part in one event or visit per term. It is expected that all students in the year group will take part in all events and visits. The planned programme for Year Seven students is as follows:

Term	Date	Details
Autumn	December (date tbc)	Hive Mind A visit to the Hive in Worcester to develop independent study skills and to learn to make the best of this nationally renowned centre of learning. Students will be guided by Hive staff as well as by Bishop Perowne staff. Students will walk to and from the Hive accompanied by Bishop Perowne staff.
Spring	9 th February	Orchestral Wonder The chance to hear a symphony orchestra in full flight at the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra's schools' concert in the world class Birmingham Symphony Hall. Students will hear a range of well-known pieces of music, with a full commentary explaining the instruments of the orchestra and the music they play. Transport to and from Birmingham will be by coach.
Summer	July (date tbc)	Malvern Adventure A day spent exploring and walking across our local Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, the Malvern Hills. Students will learn to navigate in lesser-known parts of the hills, observe wildlife and conservation projects and have a picnic lunch together on top of Midsummer Hill. Transport to and from the Malvern Hills will be by coach.

Rather than asking parents/carers to make payments on three separate occasions during the year, we are requesting a one-off payment covering the costs of all three visits. This payment is the same for all year groups. The cost per student for the Year Seven visits is £30.00. We are therefore asking for a voluntary contribution to cover the full cost per student. Without this contribution from each participating student we will be unable to run these visits as the school receives no funding for such activities. Please make payment using ParentPay (Y7 Cultural Capital) by Friday 10th December. If you would like to discuss the possibility of paying in instalments, please speak with our Finance Officer Mrs Pomeroy by telephoning school.

Further information about each visit and event will be sent out closer to when each one takes place. In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding the Cultural Capital programme, please do contact me using the details below.

Yours sincerely

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