

Our Ref: JMA  
Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers of Year Nine students,

### 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 Nine students is as follows:

Term	Date	Details
Autumn	13 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>STEM in Birmingham</b> A visit to the Think Tank in central Birmingham. Students will watch the Energy Show in the Think Tank's theatre as well and will be guided around the museum by Bishop Perowne staff, using the wide range of hand-on exhibits to explore aspects of science, technology, engineering and maths. Transport to and from Birmingham will be by coach.
Spring	30 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup> March	<b>Rhyming times</b> A visit to Bishop Perowne by Spoz, the award winning performance poet, singer / songwriter, film maker, playwright and poet-in-residence at Birmingham City FC. He will lead students through a half-day workshop to explore the influence of poetry, culminating in them producing their own poetry.
Summer	July (date tbc)	<b>Oh I do like to be....</b> beside the seaside! A daytrip to the great British seaside. The precise destination will be confirmed nearer the time, but students will get to experience all the usual attractions of a seaside resort. Transport to and from the coast 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 Nine 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 (Y9 Cultural Capital) by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> 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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