



Fairlands Middle School

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23 October 2024

Dear Fairlands Families,

Subject: Year 8 History Visit to the M-Shed Museum in Bristol

We are excited to inform you about an upcoming field trip to M-Shed in Bristol to visit their exhibition on Bristol and the Transatlantic Traffic in Enslaved Africans on **Friday 8th November** for our Year 8 students. This trip is directly linked to our current unit of work which is exploring the role of the British Empire in various colonies that they controlled throughout the 18th and 19th centuries. It is a fascinating museum which will provide our students with a unique opportunity to learn through interactive exhibits, historical artefacts, and engaging displays. It will help our students gain a deeper understanding of the complex issues surrounding enslavement and its lasting impact on communities worldwide.

The coaches will leave Fairlands at 8.50am and will return in time for the buses at 3:30pm. Students will need to bring their own packed lunches. The canteen will be informed about students who are entitled to free school meals and a packed lunch will be provided for them – if you wish for your child to be provided a packed lunch but you do not receive free school meals then they are available for charge of £2.70. Please can you contact the school office office@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk if you would like to purchase a packed lunch. Students are permitted to wear non-school uniform on this day, however, should any student turn up wearing clothing deemed unacceptable, they will not be allowed to go on that day. Please also ensure pupils bring a bottle of water to keep them hydrated.

All travel will be by coach and unfortunately it is not possible for this to be totally funded by the school. In order to enable this activity to take place a contribution of £12 will be required by **Monday 4th November** via **ParentPay**, this will also confirm that you give permission for your son / daughter to attend the trip. If you would like a reminder of your ParentPay login details please email the office or telephone reception.

If you have any financial queries please contact the office and we will look into any financial support we can offer to allow each child to attend – note we will still require permission via ParentPay for any student in order for them to join us on the visit.

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If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J Hitt', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr J Hitt
Head of Humanities