



The Kings of Wessex Academy

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July 2017

Dear Parent / Guardian

Religious Education Trip to Krakow/Auschwitz, Poland 26th February -2nd March 2018

The RE department is delighted to be able to offer students the opportunity to visit Krakow and Auschwitz – Birkenau Poland on **26th February - 2nd March 2018**.

The five day, four nights trip will be based at 5 star accommodation in Krakow. Krakow is a large city, with many cultural sights on offer. The hotel is located near the Centre of Krakow, students will have the opportunity to see the sights of Krakow, including Oscar Schindler's factory, the Jewish quarter, meeting with a relative of a Holocaust survivor and a visit to what was the Jewish ghetto. A day is spent at Auschwitz-Birkenau, where a professional guide will take our students around the camp to reflect on the treatment of prisoners. On the fourth day Students also experience a Kosher meal and the Wieliczka Salt Mine.

Travel will be by air from Bristol to Krakow followed by a coach transfer to the hotel. The total cost of the educational visit will be around **£690 (the tour operator NST have suggested a contingency of £50 to cover any rise in air fares)** and we will endeavor to keep the cost as near to £690 as possible.

The cost will include the following:-

- Return air flights and coach travel transfers
- Four nights half board accommodation (*breakfast and evening meal*)
- Student hooded sweatshirt
- Entrance fee to museums including Auschwitz-Wieliczka Salt mines.
- All evening activities: Bowling, McDonalds
- Full insurance cover
- Services of a fully trained guide

Not included:

- Meals on route
- Pocket money

We now require a deposit payment of **£80** to reserve a place. This will immediately be sent to the tour operator NST to reserve accommodation and this will count towards the final payment. You can pay by cheque made payable to The Kings of Wessex Academy or by using our online payment system.

As with all Academy trips students will be expected to uphold the reputation of the Academy therefore exceptional behaviour is expected at all times throughout the visit. This is likely to be a popular trip and if it is oversubscribed, names will have to be pulled out of a hat and some consideration will be given to the following factors:-

Contribution to extra-curricular activities
Good behaviour record
Attendance

Students are also expected to demonstrate excellent behaviour in the Academy. Failure to do this could result in them losing their place if they do not demonstrate good behaviour in the lead up to the trip.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

The Kings of Wessex Academy, Cheddar

RE Tour to Poland (February 26th-March 2nd 2018)

As parent/guardian of _____ Tutor Group _____

I have read, fully understood and I am satisfied with the details supplied about the above mentioned activity. I would like to express interest in and provisionally reserving a place on this residential educational activity. This states an interest and intention to participate in this activity, although does not guarantee a place. This is often an oversubscribed activity and may result in names being drawn out of a hat.

I agree to my son/daughter stating an interest in this activity.

Signed _____

Date _____

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