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Dear Parents

Year 8 art and science trips

On Wednesday 7 November, the Science and Art Departments will be running the first Year 8 visits to We The Curious Bristol, and to Kew Gardens in London. Students currently studying art (the first half of the register) will be going on the science trip to Bristol. The remainder of the students (the second half of the register), will be going on the art/ceramics trip to Kew.

The art/ceramics trip to Kew

The ceramics section will be gathering information and images to support their present project which is looking at amazing plants and the environments in which they live. The cost of the trip will be £15 per student which will be added to the school bill at the end of term. Your daughter will need to bring her sketchbook and dry drawing equipment, lace up shoes, extra water and a small bag to carry equipment and a thin coat in case of rain.

The science trip to Bristol

This trip includes an exciting 30-minute 3D film in the Planetarium and a one-hour workshop entitled *A trick of the light* which involves problem solving with different aspects of light. The remainder of the time will be spent looking at the interactive exhibits. The cost of the trip will be £25 per student which will be added to the school bill at the end of term. Students will need to bring extra water with them and a thin coat in case of rain (for walking between the coach and centre).

We shall be taking school packed lunches with us and the students will be wearing school uniform. Emergency rations may be advisable in case of lengthy delays on the motorway, but please no fizzy drinks or nuts.

Your daughter may bring a mobile phone in order to liaise with you about timings, but the phone may only be used with staff permission. Students will register on the coach. We will be leaving at 8.45am and hope to return by 5.30pm. Please note that this means that your daughter will not be able to travel home on the school bus and you will need to make alternative transport arrangements.

It is extremely important that we hold the very latest medical or dietary information on all our students, especially for any external school visits, so if there are any amendments or additions, do please let the School know. If your daughter has an inhaler or other medication, please ensure that she brings it with her.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact Mr Drew or Dr Saba at school. Likewise, if you would prefer your daughter not to take part in this trip, please could you let the relevant member of staff know as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully

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