



NEWSTEAD WOOD SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 Trip to Krakow, Poland – 13-15 July 2025

Following our successful visit to Poland this summer, I am delighted to offer a history trip to Krakow, Poland in July 2025 for 40 Year 9 students who would like to study History GCSE in Year 10. The trip will run during Cultural Arts Week, from Sunday 13 July - Tuesday 15 July 2025 and will cost £679.

This price includes return flights from London Gatwick to Krakow, airport transfer in Krakow, two nights' bed and breakfast accommodation at a central hotel, two evening meals at a local restaurant, travel insurance, airport assistance in the UK, a whole day excursion to Auschwitz Birkenau, a tour of the Jewish Quarter in Krakow and a morning activity on the day of return travel. We will again be travelling with NST, who have arranged this trip for us in the past. Their details can be found at <https://www.nstgroup.co.uk/>. NST is a highly reputable company, based in the UK, that successfully organises world-wide student study trips and will plan and arrange all transport, accommodation and visits along UK health and safety guidelines and provide us with 24 hour emergency support in country, should it be required.

Students in Year 9 will study a unit of work on the Holocaust this year and the main purpose of the trip will be to visit Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest of German Nazi concentration camps and extermination centres. Auschwitz is a symbol of the Holocaust and Nazi crimes against Jews, Poles, Romas and other groups and visiting Auschwitz can help young people understand the cruelty and catastrophic events of the past.

To secure a place on the trip, a **£150 deposit** is required, payable via WisePay **by Friday 29 November 2024**. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Two further payments will be required: **£200 by 31 January 2025** and a final payment of **£329 by 30 April 2025**.

Further paperwork and medical forms will be distributed once I have a list of those who have paid a deposit.

Yours sincerely

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Head of History

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