

8 November 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 7 Cultural Arts and Careers Week: Thursday 10 - Wednesday 16 July 2025

Our Cultural Arts and Careers Week each summer is an opportunity for all students in to engage in a variety of creative and enriching learning experiences and enjoy opportunities for growth and career development beyond the curriculum. Please note that attendance is compulsory and normal lessons are suspended for this week.

Workshops and activities are led by external providers and staff teachers at Newstead with opportunities to take part in visits out of school for each year group.

We have an exciting programme of events planned and I am delighted to be sharing this with you:

Residential camping trip – Thursday 10 to Friday 11 July

Details of this activity camp will be shared separately by Mr Botley. This is compulsory to attend as it is an important part of building memories as a year group.

8BillionIdeas Careers Day – Monday 14 July

This should be an interactive and informative day, led by our partners from the 8BillionIdeas Team. Students will be divided into groups and work with their mentor for the day alongside our Careers Team.

China Day – Tuesday 15 July

Students will spend a day attending workshops to immerse themselves in Chinese culture. Led by our Chinese Language Department, students will have an introduction to Chinese Language, attend a Chinese Painting workshop, learn the intricacies of the Fan Dance and we hope to offer a Martial Arts taster session.

Theatre Trip – Wednesday 16 July

The whole year will attend a matinee performance in central London.

There will be a charge of £260 to cover the cost of the in-school activities and the residential trip. Please make payment for *Year 7 Cultural Arts Week* via WisePay. Please note, payment constitutes permission to take part in all in-school activities. If you have any financial concerns regarding payment for these activities, please contact <u>finance@newsteadwood.co.uk</u> in confidence.

- Instalment 1 £130 by 31 January 2025
- Instalment 2 £130 by 31 March 2025

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We hope you are as excited as we are about all these fantastic enrichment activities planned during our Cultural Arts Week.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>mbournat@newsteadwood.co.uk</u>

Yours sincerely,

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