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Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 7 Cultural Arts Week – Exploring London – 16 July 2025

I am writing with details of our trip to London on Wednesday 16 July. The aim of the day is to enjoy a London walk and take in some sights, as well as enjoying a musical matinee!

We will catch the train in the morning from Orpington to Charing Cross, then walk up through Covent Garden, Holborn and Bloomsbury. We will stop off at Covent Garden market, the British Museum and Russell Square for lunch before heading to the Dominion Theatre for a matinee performance of 'The Devil Wears Prada'.

The show will finish at 5.00pm and we will then travel by tube and train back to Orpington Station, where students will be dismissed. We expect to be back at Orpington Station at approximately 6.20pm. Please ensure that you have made arrangements for your daughter to be collected from the station or for her to make her way home safely.

Unfortunately, we cannot allow students to catch trains to other destinations or leave the train at other stations.

As a school group we are able to access free travel to London during off-peak times but unfortunately this means that students will need to pay for their own travel on the return leg of the journey. Please ensure that students have an Oyster card or a contactless payment card with sufficient funds for them to travel on the tube from Tottenham Court Road to Charing Cross and then on to Orpington Station.

Students should bring a packed lunch with them, a filled water bottle, a charged mobile phone, snacks and a little pocket money (no more than £10 please). Students should wear school uniform but, as we will be walking quite a distance, trainers or other comfortable shoes are encouraged. Please bring a sunhat, sunblock or umbrella as appropriate.

Many thanks

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