

### GCSE History trip to Berlin Easter 2023

The History Department is organising a visit to Berlin, which will be a fantastic opportunity for students studying History to gain a better understanding of the GCSE unit on Germany 1918 – 1939 and to understand the rise of Hitler and the Nazi Party. We will also explore the impact this period had on German Society. The trip will take place from Monday 3rd April – Thursday 6th April 2023, which is in the school holiday. The cost of the trip will be £670, which includes the flights, full board accommodation, transfers and the cost of excursions during our stay. If your child has had free school meals now, or at any time in the past 6 years, we are able to access some funding for the cost, but places are limited. Please contact me for more information. During the 4-days we will visit Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp, The Brandenburg Gate, the Reichstag, Topography of Terror, the 1936 Olympic Stadium and the memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe, as well as the remains of the Berlin Wall and other attractions. Staff members going on the trip are; Mrs Paul (Assistant Principal), Ms Magee and Mr Pyecroft. There will be time of remote supervision during the trip where students will be able to look around exhibits etc. in small groups. Parents should be aware that this trip may become quite emotional for their child and take steps to prepare them.

We will travel to Heathrow airport by coach. On arrival at the airport we will be met by our tour guide who will be with us for the entire trip. All students will be assisted through check in and closely supervised boarding the plane. Students will be required to have their own passport in order to travel (this must have 6 months remaining at the time of travel), so please budget this into the total cost of the trip before giving your approval.

There are over 120 students who take History at GCSE in Year 9 and 120 in Year 10, so it is not possible for every student to take part in the trip, but preference will be given to those showing a strong interest in the subject and who carry out satisfactory classwork. If you would like your child to take part in the trip, please complete the reply slip below and pay a £60 deposit by 1<sup>st</sup> December via parent pay. The rest of the trip should be paid for on the following dates also via parent pay:

1/12/21 £60 (deposit)  
 1/2/22 £60  
 1/4/22 £100  
 1/6/22 £100  
 1/9/ 22 £100  
 1/10/22 £100  
 1/12/22 £100  
 1/2/23 £50

Obviously, if your child does not secure a place on the trip, or if we cancel for any reason, we will return your deposit in full. Students will not be permitted to take part in this trip unless they maintain a good behaviour and attendance record. If students have questions about this then they can come and see me for clarification. We will hold an information meeting nearer the time but in the meantime if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at the Academy [zpaul@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org](mailto:zpaul@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org)

Yours faithfully

**Mrs Z Paul**  
**Assistant Principal**

**Berlin 2023**

Mrs Z Paul, Kingswood Secondary Academy.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Form \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to secure a place for my son/daughter on the Berlin trip in April 2023 and I have paid the deposit on Parent Pay

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Carer