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Dear Parents

The History, Politics and Design and Technology departments are delighted to announce the details of our educational school trip to both New York and Washington in October 2023. New York is an exciting destination that will provide pupils with inspiration and experiences that will stay with them for life.

This trip will give your child an opportunity to learn outside of the classroom in a fun and stimulating environment; this links well with the topics studied both at GCSE and A-level for History, Politics and Design and Technology. There will be some core activities on the trip which all pupils will do, but there will be an element of choice at other times depending on which subjects are being studied by your children.

Proposed trip details

Destination:	USA - New York and Washington
Dates:	21 October 2023 to 28 October 2023 (1 night on overnight inbound flight)
Tour Cost:	£2330 (depending on numbers and subject to minor change if entrance prices at certain attractions changes or there are significant deviations to the exchange rate).
Tour Inclusions:	<p>Return UK coach transfers from school to airport Return international flights Hotel accommodation on a full board basis: 4 nights in New York and 2 in Washington Entrances fees and sightseeing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broadway Show or Sports Fixture (Subject to supplements for selected shows) • Empire State Building • Statue Cruised Ferry Ticket • Skyscraper Museum • 9/11 Museum • New York Metro Pass • National Archives Washington DC • Rise NY – museum of key history, culture and a theme park ride • Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum based on a US Navy aircraft carrier.

<p>Supplementary Excursions in New York:</p>	<p>History and Politics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Civil Rights and Social Justice tour of Harlem ➤ Museum of the City of New York ➤ Tenement Museum ➤ Federal Hall <p>Design and Technology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Empire State Building and the Chrysler building ➤ Cooper Hewitt National Design Museum ➤ Grand Central Station <p>Textiles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Metropolitan Museum of Art ➤ MFIT- Museum of Fashion Institute of Technology
<p>Supplementary excursions in Washington:</p>	<p>All students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Walking tour: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jefferson Memorial ○ FDR Memorial ○ Korean War Veterans Memorial ○ Arlington National Cemetery ○ Lincoln Memorial ○ Vietnam Memorial ○ WWII Memorial ○ The White House (exterior) ○ The US Capitol ○ Pennsylvania Avenue ○ Washington Monument <p>History and Politics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ National Archives- see the constitution ➤ National Museum of American History ➤ National museum of African American History and Culture ➤ Self-guided tour of Ford's Theatre ➤ National Spy Museum <p>Design and Technology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ National Spy Museum ➤ Smithsonian museum of Art (potentially including textiles) ➤ National building museum <p>Textiles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ National Museum of American History- the First Lady exhibit ➤ George Washington University textiles museum
<p>Supervision:</p>	<p>There will be one teacher for each group of ten students.</p>

Insurance

This trip is covered by Halsbury Travel's insurance with Aviva, details of which are available prior to booking. This includes unlimited cover for medical expenses. The policy will be available for you to view prior to sign up to ensure that the cover is adequate for your child's needs.

Payments, deposits and cancellation fees

The cost of the trip will be approximately £2330 as detailed above. This will be paid in four instalments to ensure that we meet the requirements of the terms and conditions and payment process set by Halsbury:

1. £250 Non-refundable deposit by Wednesday 6 July 2022
2. £750 Michaelmas Term 2022 invoice
3. £665 Lent term 2023 invoice
4. £665 Trinity 2023 invoice

Deposits will need to be paid into the school account. An email will be sent providing details of how to do this and which reference to use.

Please note that deposit 1 is not refundable.

Cancellation costs

Voluntary withdrawal from the trip following consent being provided incurs a cost, which is set by the terms and conditions of Halsbury Travel Ltd and is set out as follows:

- £250 Deposit only until Monday 05 September 2022
- £1000 between Monday 05 September 2022 and 03 July 2023
- £1747.50 between 04 July and Monday 02 October 2023
- £2330 after Tuesday 03 October 2023.

Who we are travelling with?

The company we have chosen is **Halsbury Travel**, an educational travel company with over 30 years of experience in providing enjoyable, educational and safe school trips which are fully accredited and financially protected. More information is available at www.halsbury.com

What to do next

Please indicate that you are interested in the trip to the USA for your child at this form:

<https://forms.office.com/r/5NgLhGYj1V>

1. Following this, an email will be sent via evolve containing further information of the booking conditions, travel insurance and health and medical cover, and instructions on how to pay the deposit.
2. Alongside this, an electronic consent form will arrive. Please read the questions carefully and provide consent via this method.
3. Pay the deposit in the account before 06 July 2022

Please note that places on this trip are limited. If the trip is over-subscribed, places will be awarded on the following criteria:

1. Current or future students of GCSE or A-level History, Politics, Design and Technology and/or Textiles.
2. Other students at Princethorpe in the current Year 8 to Year 11 on a first come first served basis, defined by when the £250 deposit is in the school account.

Please note that this trip is scheduled in the same calendar year as the sports tour to South Africa, one of the College's major trips.

If you have any questions about the trip, please do not hesitate to get in touch by email at peterbucknall@princethorpe.co.uk or paulscopes@princethorpe.co.uk

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "P Bucknall". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "P".

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