

13th September 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Year 11 Textiles & Graphics Trip to the V&A Museum

The Design & Technology department are delighted to invite year 11 Resistant Materials Graphics and Textile students to the Victoria & Albert Museum on 26th September 2017. We will be visiting several of the V&A collections and exhibitions which will provide research materials and inspiration for their Controlled assessment project work which is worth 60% of their GCSE Exhibitions that will be on at the V&A are as follows:-

Plywood: Material of the Modern World

Light, strong and versatile, plywood is the surprising material celebrated in this world-first exhibition. Featuring groundbreaking pieces by Alvar Aalto, Marcel Breuer and Charles and Ray Eames, alongside an incredible range of objects from planes to skateboards, this exhibition tells the story of how this often-overlooked material made the modern world. This is especially relevant to the Resistant Materials students.

Balenciaga: Shaping Fashion

This exhibition examines the work and legacy of influential Spanish couturier Cristóbal Balenciaga, with over 100 pieces crafted by 'the master' of couture, his protégées and contemporary fashion designers working in the same innovative tradition. This is really just for the Textiles students

And finally

Pink Floyd: Their Mortal Remains

All of the students will experience a spectacular and unparalleled audio-visual journey through Pink Floyd's unique and extraordinary worlds, chronicling the music, design and staging of the band, from their debut in the 1960s through to the present day. Especially relevant to the Graphics students however there will be elements that relate to all the students.

This is a voluntary activity and we reserve the right to cancel should there be insufficient support.

The cost of the day is £23, although if your daughter is studying textiles then she would really benefit from attending the Balenciaga exhibition, and that will be an extra £3 – there will be two prices on Wisepay, please select the relevant price.

Payment and consent for the trip needs to be made via WisePay; simply login to your WisePay account for details. Please ensure the payment and consent is **made by Wednesday 20th September at the latest.**

If you need a reminder of your WisePay login please e-mail j.gale@holt.wokingham.sch.uk. In the event of difficulties using this system, please telephone Mrs Simmons, the School Finance Manager.

In case of severe financial hardship please contact Ms Rees Royle, Assistant Headteacher, who would be happy to discuss this further and put you in touch with agencies that may be able to help

Yours sincerely

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