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Dear Families

Year 12 Trip to Pinewood Studios on Friday 28 February 2025

On **Friday 28 February** we are planning an educational trip for Film & Media students to the home of British film production, Pinewood Studios. This event will inspire and engage our students around the incredible range of roles in the screen industries, supporting its growth and encouraging people from all backgrounds to enter the industry.

The day will include a series of workshops, panels and masterclasses, with high-profile speakers from companies such as Disney, Sony, the BFI who will be explaining the range of roles and how to get started, along with interactive stands that will give an insight into the careers available. From catering, groundskeeping and plumbing to producing, directing, and set design – there are literally hundreds of career opportunities to explore in the interactive and immersive experience.

This is an exciting opportunity for students to see what their future careers could involve in this industry as well as the chance to visit this historic venue. We have limited places reserved (15) so it really is a case of first come first served.

We have been given an allotted three hour time-slot for the event (9.00am-12.00pm) which unfortunately means an early start. The minibus will leave Sackville School at 7.00am on Friday 28 February 2025 and we aim to return by 2.00pm – although traffic may affect this. Please contact me if travel to and from school will be difficult at these times.

Students should bring a packed lunch and drink as it is unsure what facilities will be available to them onsite. Students should wear comfortable shoes for walking around the venue and wear appropriate clothing.

You are invited to make a voluntary contribution of £6.00, to cover fuel costs for transport, the event at Pinewood studios itself is free of charge. I must, however, tell you that as the school cannot bear the cost of the visit, the visit will not take place unless parents, who are able to, are willing to contribute. Payment may be made via the online payment system by Friday 8 February 2025.

If your child is eligible for the 16-19 bursary, please contact Mrs Plumb in the Sixth Form office.

Peanuts or peanut related products are not allowed to be taken on any school visit. Insurance for all school trips is arranged through West Sussex County Council. Full details of the policy can be found on our website.

Yours sincerely

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