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Dear Families

Year 12 and Year 13 Trip to Pinewood Studios - Friday 24 November 2023

On Friday 24 November we are planning an educational trip for film 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, grounds keeping 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 been given an allotted three-hour timeslot for the event (9.00am-12.00pm), which will mean an early start. The minibus will leave Sackville School at 7.00am on Friday 24 November 2023 and we aim to return by 2.00pm – although this will depend on traffic. Please contact me if your travel to and from school will be difficult at these times.

A packed lunch and drink will need to be provided as we are unsure what facilities will be available onsite. Students should wear comfortable shoes for walking around the venue and wear appropriate clothing.

There are only 15 tickets available, therefore, should the trip become oversubscribed we will complete a ballot to allocate places in a fair manner.

The event at Pinewood studios itself is free of charge but we will need to cover fuel costs. You are invited to make a voluntary contribution of £8.00 so that the trip can go ahead. I must, however, tell you that as the school could not bear the cost, the visit will not take place unless parents, who are able to, are willing to contribute. Payment should be made via the MCAS app by Friday 10 November 2023 please.

Please remember that if your child is eligible for the 16-19 bursary we can use that to pay for the full cost. Please contact Mrs Plumb in the sixth form office for more details.

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

Yours sincerely

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