

1<sup>st</sup> May 2024

Dear Parent / Carer,

**Re: Current Year 12 - New York, 7<sup>th</sup> April-11<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

We are delighted to be offering an exciting opportunity for our current Year 12's to visit New York on 7<sup>th</sup> April – 11<sup>th</sup> April 2025 (the first week of the Easter holiday).

There will be a maximum of **20** places available which we will allocate on a 'first come, first served' basis and the cost of the trip will be £1714 per student. We do not anticipate a cost increase; however, if there is a reduction to this price you will be notified, and we will apply it to the final payment.

During the 5 days and 3 nights stay, students will follow a bespoke itinerary which has been specifically arranged to ensure they gain the maximum benefit from the trip. Students will visit world renowned International Centre of Photography and the Museum of Moving Image, as well as touring NYC movie locations as well as having a movie workshop. They will also spend an evening watching a Broadway show. We will also take the opportunity to visit some of the famous landmarks around New York such as the the Statue of Liberty, the 911 Memorial and The Rockefeller Centre.

Breakfast in the hotel is provided, and we will be dining out in local restaurants in the evening (the cost of the evening meals is also included), as well as entry to the attractions, subway and other transport costs, also the Broadway show.

Students will need to pay for lunches and perhaps tipping where appropriate. Students may also wish to take some spending money, should they want to buy any souvenirs.

As is typical with New York hotels, the rooms will be doubles and students will need to share a bed. In some instances, rooms will have two double beds and so the room will sleep four. All rooms will be single sex. The exact allocation of rooms can only be determined once deposits have been paid.

Students will be driven to the airport and returned to school via a reputable coach company that we use regularly.

Currently, all British and many EU passport holders do not require a Visa to enter the US as long as they have a machine-readable passport. This will then be covered by the Visa Waiver Program. Each passenger travelling to the USA must make their own individual application on the internet. This is an additional \$21 (approximately £17). This cannot be pre-paid or organised by the school and is not included in your tour price.

If you are interested in allowing your child to be involved in this exciting trip, a non-refundable deposit of £100 is required by **3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024** paid online using the School Gateway website. Further payments will need to be made online and will need to be received as follows:

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You may pay more than the required amount each month if you prefer and therefore complete payment earlier or pay the full amount at any time. **Please ensure that payment dates are strictly adhered to.**

**Please ensure that your child has their own passport which must have six months remaining following the month of return and an EHIC card. This is free and can be obtained easily by logging onto [www.dh.gov.uk/travellers](http://www.dh.gov.uk/travellers) and following the quick on line application instructions. Alternatively you can call 0845 606 2030.**

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully,

Ms H Redfern  
Assistant Head

### How to pay online:

Log on to: [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com)

Select: Make a Payment

Select: **Current Year 12 - New York 2020**

Follow the on screen instructions to complete the payment

If you would like information on how to access the School Gateway system then please contact the School Office on 01727 856874.