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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Y10 GCSE Art & Design – Liverpool and Manchester Trip

We have arranged for our Year 10 students studying GCSE Art & Design to visit a number of art galleries in Liverpool and Manchester on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021. 'Another Place' by Antony Gormley is situated on Crosby Beach in Liverpool and consists of 100 life-sized cast iron figures facing out to sea over a two-mile spread of the beach. The Walker Gallery is a national gallery and houses one of the largest collections of decorative art outside of London. The Tate Liverpool displays work from the Tate Collection which comprises the national collection of British art from 1500 to the present day along with international modern art. The Manchester Art Gallery houses premier collections of art and artefacts from non-western traditions. As students move around the museums and galleries they will create drawings in response to the work they see. This experience can help to launch their first major piece of GCSE coursework and all artwork will be included in their portfolios. Viewing art in person helps students understand colour, texture, scale and context.

To cover the cost of this trip we ask for a voluntary contribution of £31.70 from each student, which needs to be paid through the ParentPay or the barcode letter system. Travel is by coach and the cost includes all travel and insurance. Gallery entrance is free. Unfortunately, if we do not receive enough voluntary contributions the visit may not be able to go ahead and we will advise all students at the earliest opportunity. If you are experiencing any financial hardship please contact the school to see what help might be available.

#### Itinerary:

- 06:20 Arrive Tapton, register with Art Tutor
- 06:30 Depart Tapton for Liverpool we will not wait for late arrivals
- 09:00 Crosby Beach
- 10:00 Lunch and Tate Liverpool
- 12:00 Walker Art Gallery Liverpool
- 16:00 Manchester Art Gallery
- 19:30 Arrive back at Tapton approximate timing, students will call ahead to confirm arrival time.

## Students will need:

#### Refreshments

- Morning food/ snack and drink (plastic bottle/screw-top) no fizzy drinks/cans please
- Lunch and drink (plastic bottle/screw-top) a packed lunch can be provided for students in receipt of free school meals, please indicate if this is required on the attached reply slip.

Please note that students will not be allowed into the cafés in either gallery.

## Equipment

- KS4 Folder along with a number of sheets of A3 paper
- Pencil and sharpener (no blades)
- Coloured pencils, or other non-wet colour medium



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• Camera (optional – use of mobile phone cameras are fine, be aware of restrictions in the galleries)

## Clothing

- School uniform must be worn
- Waterproof and warm coat
- Comfortable and appropriate shoes for being outside
- Watch

## Money

Students will be given supervised time in the gallery shops to purchase post-cards for reference on return to school. While this is not essential, it is very useful. In addition, the galleries have a range of guides that can be purchased. Students may only enter the shops if given permission and under supervision.

## We expect:

- students must stay in supervised / working groups at all times
- · students may not leave the galleries unless accompanied by staff
- students must wear seat belts at all times during the coach journey
- students must behave in a polite and sensible manner at all times.

We have very clear school rules and expectations. Students need to demonstrate that they are following school rules and meeting our expectations in school in order for them to be allowed to attend the trip. If 'On Call' should be summoned to their Art lessons on two or more occasions because of poor behaviour choices, from the date of receiving this letter to the date of the trip they will not be allowed to attend the trip. In addition, if your child is involved in any significant behavioural issue, in any subject, then this will result in your child not being able to attend. Monies paid will be refunded.

School trips can really enrich and expand a student's educational experience. We therefore operate a hardship policy at Tapton in order to provide opportunities to students whose families are experiencing genuine and unavoidable financial difficulty. We would like to offer parents the opportunity to contribute to this fund, making it clear that this is entirely voluntary and there is no obligation on you to make a contribution. However if you wish to, you can do so using ParentPay, selecting the payment item 'Hardship' and entering the donation value. The funds will only be used to support students experiencing financial hardship and the senior leadership team will decide how the funds will be spent using their discretion and professional judgement.

## Students should meet at the front of school at 06.20 am for registration and prompt departure.

Thank you for your support in this venture. Please complete and sign the attached consent form and return it to the Art office by Friday 19th November. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours faithfully,

Mr J Fogg Subject Lead for Art and Design



## **CONSENT FORM**

# GCSE Art & Design Visit to Liverpool and Manchester – 8th December 2021

## Please return to the Art office by Friday 19th November

Name of Student: Form:
Parent/Carer emergency contact number during visit:
Student mobile number if applicable:
Please tick where appropriate;
I give permission for my child to attend the above visit and have read the above information
I will make arrangements for my child to be collected at approx. 7:30pm
I give permission for my child to make their own way home
I have paid £31.70 through ParentPay on(Date)
OR I require a Barcode letter
My child will require a packed lunch for the visit (applies only to students in receipt of free school meals)
*Please delete as appropriate;
I give / do not give* consent for the sharing of minimal data required to ensure the safe and smooth running of off-site visits and activities
I <b>give</b> / <b>do not give</b> * permission for my child to receive emergency first aid, medical care by a doctor or hospital in the event of an accident.
If there is any medical information about your child which you feel we ought to know, e.g. allergies, medication needs, etc, please specify below or request a confidential medical form to complete:
Signed: Parent/Carer Date:
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