

Our Ref: LAZ/ TWI
Date: 9th October 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

The English Department is pleased to offer your son/daughter a trip to Sovereign Education in Birmingham to experience a day of university style lectures. Professors from across the country will be attending to lecture on 'King Lear', a play Literature students will be studying and examined on in their final A Level exams. The lectures are designed specifically for A Level students and will provide enormous academic insight. The Duston School have taken students to these events in previous years and students have found them extremely valuable.

We strongly encourage your son/daughter to take this opportunity and whilst we understand that part time jobs have value in their own right, this trip takes place within the school day and as such should take priority over other commitments where possible. Responsible employers should also take a student's education into account when authorizing holiday.

The trip takes place is on November 16th 2017. We will be leaving school at 9am and returning school at approximately 5.30pm. Lunch is not provided but will be available to purchase. The itinerary is as follows:

9.00am	Depart The Duston School
11.00am	King Lear and the nature of Shakespearian tragedy
11.30pm	"Men must endure/their going hence even as their coming hither" - Suffering and survival in King Lear
13.45pm	Kinds of madness in King Lear
14.45pm	How to deal with short extracts/passages
15.30pm	Depart Birmingham and return to The Duston School, ETA: 1730pm

This opportunity is being offered to Literature students in Year 13. A voluntary contribution of £19.60 per student is required for the trip to run. This will cover-entrance fees and transportation. Please be aware that the trip may have to be cancelled should these contributions not be forthcoming.

Contributions should be made using the Parentpay e-payment system from 13th October and must be received by no later than 20th October. Please complete the **off-site visit parental consent form** below which can also be found on our website under News – Trips and Visits. The completed form should be handed to Mrs L. Aziz by the 20th October. Should you have any problems using Parentpay please do not hesitate in contacting the school finance team.

Should concerns be raised by school staff regarding behaviour or attendance issues of students the school reserves the right to withdraw places on the trip at any time. Should this become necessary no refunds on monies paid will be forthcoming.

Yours sincerely

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