

October 2022



Sawston
Village College

Principal: Mr J P Russell

Dear Parent/Carer

Hastings Trip, June 2023

The History Department is organising a visit for Year 10 historians to Hastings and the South coast, which leaves from the College at 9:00 am on **Friday 30 June** and returning on **Monday 1 July** around 4:00 pm.

This relatively new trip is an exciting opportunity for pupils to visit places studied on their History GCSE course, Paper 1 (Norman Conquest) as well as being an opportunity to be on a PGL site, Hailsham Activity Centre. The trip will include such visits as:

- Pevensey Bay – where the Normans landed in 1066
- Battle Abbey – where the famous Battle of Hastings took place
- Tower of London – a fortified Norman castle
- Mountfitchet castle – where we will learn about changes in day-to-day life for the ordinary people under the Normans
- Canterbury Cathedral – a famous site built by the Normans

The total cost will be £350.00 and covers all public transport and coach hire, breakfasts, lunches evening meals, excursions and evening activities. The only additional costs will be for lunch on the first day and spending money. If your child secures a place on the trip, payment will be required as follows:

- First instalment of £100 by Friday 25 November 2022
- Second instalment of £100 by Friday 3 February 2023
- Third instalment of £150 by Monday 3 April 2023

Please be aware that each payment must be received on Wisepay by the cut-off dates above. If payment is not received without a satisfactory explanation, your child will be removed from the trip and the place will be offered to pupils on the reserve list. Some financial support is available for pupils who qualify now, or have qualified in the past six years, for free school meals. Please contact Miss Megan Tuckwood, Pupil Premium Coordinator (mtuckwood@sawstonvc.org) for further details.

The History Department does not operate a first-come-first-served policy for trips since some pupils might be absent from school when letters are first distributed. To apply for a place for your child, please complete [this form](#) by **Tuesday 1 November**. Requests received after Tuesday 1 November will not be considered.



If you have any questions, please email sjackson@sawstonvc.org.

Yours faithfully

S Jackson-Buckley

Ms S Jackson-Buckley
Head of History

Sawston Village College – Terms and conditions for educational visits

- Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of all information provided but some details may be subject to change. Where this is the case, parents will be informed at the earliest possible opportunity.
- Payments become non-refundable once a pupil has secured a place on the visit and must be paid in full, no later than the deadlines as outlined in the launch letter or in any subsequent confirmation letter. The College can accept cash and cheques but its preferred method of payment is via parent pay.
- The College reserves the right to withdraw any pupil from the visit at any time.
- Parents are responsible for ensuring that all contact and medical details provided are correct and that the visit leader is alerted immediately to any changes in circumstance or any issues that may have a bearing on pupils' behaviour and/or well-being during the visit.
- School rules and expectations around standards of behaviour apply at all times during the visit. Where an exception is made, for example over the requirement to wear school uniform, this will be communicated in writing to parents.
- Visit leaders reserve the right to sanction pupils in line with school policy both during the visit and on their return to school.
- If the behaviour of a pupil is such that the visit leader deems it necessary to remove them from the visit, parents will be expected to help facilitate their removal and will be liable for any additional costs incurred in the process. For example, parents would be responsible for the additional cost of transport back to school.