

RIPLEY ST THOMAS

CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

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Tuesday 6th March, 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Proposed UK Music Tour

We are proposing to run a Music Tour based in the South of England that will include days in Oxford, London, St Albans and Stratford. This trip is open to both singers and instrumentalists of any age and ability. The tour will include performances in venues such as University Church in Oxford, St Albans Cathedral, and various informal settings. This is an exciting opportunity for pupils to experience and perform in some of the most prestigious settings in the UK. Further details are to be found on the attached information sheet.

The cost of this trip is £385 per pupil which, for security, should be paid online at www.scopay.com/ripley using your personal login details from the letter issued to pupils. If you have any problems using the online payment system please contact the school finance office for assistance.

The above mentioned cost includes half-board accommodation in Streatley, travel, and a day at the Harry Potter World in London. Pupils will need to bring appropriate clothing, depending on the weather (including a black top/shirt for performances) and some money for lunches/personal spending. A more detailed plan of what to bring will be issued nearer the time. Pupils do not need to wear their school uniform on the trip.

If you would like your son/daughter to take part in this visit, please complete and return the attached application form, parental consent form (Form 3B) and pay at least a deposit of £100 by Friday 16th March. The full balance is due by Monday 30th April. The forms should be returned to the blue box outside Learning Support in an envelope clearly marked with your son's/daughter's name and *Ripley Music Tour* on the outside.

Please note that late receipt of payment and/or forms will jeopardise your son's/daughter's opportunity to take part in the visit.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Burtonwood and Mr Gillthorpe

Believe.....

Principal Mr M Wood
Chair of Governors Prof JD Crewdson

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INFORMATION SHEET FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS FOR THE
TRIP/VISIT TO :

Ripley Music Tour

Visit to:	St Albans, London, Oxford, Stratford (based in Streatley)
The following activities will be undertaken:	Daily performances in both formal/informal venues involving various ensembles. A day trip to Harry Potter World, as well as time to sight see around performance venues.
The alternative (Plan B) activity/venue is :	No alternative Plan B. If cancelled the party will return to base / school.
Date(s) of the visit:	Leave on Saturday 14 th July Return on Wednesday 18 th July
The mode of transport is:	Coach
The time & place of departure is:	We depart from school at approx. 8am (to be clarified)
The approximate time & place of return is:	We return to school at 9pm (approx)
For residential visits the accommodation address & tel. number is :	Streatley Youth Hostel, Reading Rd, Streatley
The base contact details are : (NB <u>these should be used in emergency situations only</u>)	Mon to Fri up to 16:00hrs : 01524 64496 ext 1023 All other times : 07722027582

If Parents/Guardians have any concerns prior to the trip/visit taking place, please contact :-

Ann Burtonwood : 01524 64496

e-mail : Via ParentLine on the school "Contact Us" Page

NOTE: Ripley St Thomas CE Academy has insurance arrangements in place for covering personal injury to pupils. Details are available on the school website or you can request a copy from the school's Educational Visit Co-ordinator

IMPORTANT
PARENTAL/CARER CONSENT AND MEDICAL INFORMATION FORM
The attached consent form **MUST** be completed and returned to the school **before** your child may participate in the visit/activity.

Application form for: Ripley Music Tour

All activities, events or trips that are not a necessary part of the curriculum are subject to the Passport to Privilege (P2P) protocol, which recognises and rewards good effort and behaviour. The principles of the Passport to Privilege are regularly outlined by progress leaders through assemblies and displayed on posters in form rooms. It is clear that a positive attitude to behaviour and studies will result in the opportunity to participate in events and activities organised by Ripley colleagues.

Parents must also be aware that, if at any point prior to the trip, concerns are raised about your child's attitude and / or behaviour, Ripley reserves the right to withdraw the invitation to participate. If this were to happen, whilst every effort would be made to make a refund this may not always be possible.

I accept the P2P principles and request that my son /daughter

NAME _____

TUTOR GROUP _____

be considered for a place on the **Ripley Music Tour**

TRIP LEADER **Ann Burtonwood**

DATE(s) OF TRIP **Saturday 14th–Wednesday 18th July 2018**

I understand that places on this trip will be allocated based on P2P principles. The decision to offer a place will be made in consultation with the trip leader, my child's progress leader and members of the school senior leadership team.

Online deposit payment of £_____ (at least £100) made on

_____ **(date)**

Signed..... Parent/Guardian

Date.....