

Monday 9th June 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 8 Visit to London June 2025

Please find below further details for the visit to London on 19th and 20th June 2025.

Departure on Thursday 19th June

The coach will be leaving Ryecroft at 9:00am and would ask that pupils arrive at school **no later than 8:45am**.

Return on Friday 20th June

Collection time from Ryecroft on Friday is **7:15pm**. However, due to the unpredictability of the traffic, if it appears that we will be earlier or later by 30 minutes or more, we will endeavour to contact you via the Schools Arbor in-app messaging system.

Contact Numbers

Should you need to contact the visit leader during normal school hours, I would kindly ask that you contact the school office in the first instance.

School Office: 01889 590394

If there is an emergency, you should first contact the school or out of school hours, Mrs Grattage on 07856 829368. This is a school mobile number and should not be shared with anyone else. It is for emergency use during the London visit only.

Pupils will be provided with a card prior to departure with the above details and the Schools mobile number, which the visit leader will have for use in an emergency.

Mobile Phone

If your child is taking a mobile phone on the visit, can you please complete the online information/consent form by click on the link, or QR code below, completing all required details. These details will only be used in cases of emergency, the documents with the contact details will be destroyed on return to school. Please complete this form by 12:00 noon next Tuesday, 17th June even if your child is not taking a mobile phone.

<https://forms.office.com/e/T55vRbpB8R>

or



Itinerary

As part of the visit, we will be visiting the Science Museum; watching an evening performance of Back to the Future at the Adelphi Theatre, a trip on the London Eye, and a sightseeing boat trip along the River Thames. A full itinerary, with approximate departure and return times is on the last page of this letter.

Dress

Pupils are not required to wear school uniform. However, we would remind pupils that they are representatives of the School and request that appropriate, casual clothes and sensible shoes be worn, as there is **a lot of walking** involved. Please check the weather forecast for London on the day prior to departure so that appropriate clothing is packed.

Taking Photos - Cameras and Mobile Phones

Pupils may bring a camera and mobile phone (at their own risk); however, they should be aware that photography is not permitted in some of the venues we are visiting. Mobile phones must be switched off before the Theatre visit. **We would ask that pupils ensure that they have sufficient charge and credit on their phones, to enable the making and receiving of calls.**

Food

Pupils will need a packed lunch for the first day (no glass bottles, cans, nuts or chewing gum). We would ask that you ensure that your child has a water bottle and plenty of drink for the journey.

On the Thursday evening we will be eating at Pizza Express prior to our theatre show; breakfast and a packed lunch will be provided on the Friday – all dietary requirements have been passed to the restaurant/caterers. The cost of these meals is included.

Your son/daughter needs to ensure that they have sufficient money to purchase any additional light snacks and drinks they may require and for a snack meal when we stop at a service station on the return journey on Friday.

Pocket Money

As detailed above, we plan to stop at a service station during the journey to and from London so that pupils can purchase additional snacks and drink as necessary. There are also shops at the various venues where pupils may wish to purchase souvenirs. They may also wish to purchase a programme at the theatre. I suggest an amount of approximately £40.00 will be sufficient.

Medical needs

If your child needs to take any medication with them, can you please ensure that this is clearly labelled with their name and is handed to Mrs Bannister on the day of departure.

Behaviour and Safety

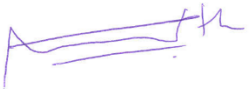
During our stay in London, as well as on the journey, it is important to have a code of behaviour which is fair and which will allow staff to apply the necessary discipline to maintain order and organisation in a pleasant manner. This is particularly relevant to their conduct while at the hotel, where there will be other paying guests staying. Respect and consideration are key to this. If all students remain respectful and considerate, then our visit should be enjoyable for everyone.

The safety and wellbeing of pupils is paramount and the requests made in respect of conduct and behaviour are primarily linked to these. As mentioned above, we will be staying in a hotel so, unless in an emergency, pupils must remain in their allocated bedrooms from 'lights out' until called for breakfast in the morning. Mobile phones are permitted on the visit, primarily as an extra method of contact between staff, pupils and school in the cases of emergencies. I will be speaking the pupils about the appropriate/responsible use of their mobiles while on the visit and ask that you support the school in this message.

The behaviour during previous visits to London has been extremely good and received positive comments from staff at the various venues we visited. If pupils follow the Behaviour Agreement, then I'm certain that the visit will be an enjoyable, educational experience.

I will be getting pupils together on a number of occasions prior to departure, to provide further information about the arrangements for the visit, however, if you should have any questions please do not hesitate in contacting me via the school office.

Yours sincerely



Mr M Hall
Deputy Headteacher/DSL



TOUR ITINERARY - Ryecroft C.E. Middle School

Visit to London: Thursday 19th June 2025 - Friday 20th June 2025

GROUP LEADER	Mr M Hall
SCHOOL EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS	<p>Name: Mrs Grattage - Executive Headteacher Tel: 01889 590394 Out of hours: headteacher@rms.i2e.org.uk Out of hours: 07856 829368</p> <p>Name: Mrs Evans – Business Manager Tel: 01889 590394 Out of hours: office@rms.i2e.org.uk</p>
ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	<p>Premier Inn, Hendon (The Hyde) Hyde House Hendon, London NW9 6LH</p>

Thursday 19th June 2025

08:30	Meet at school, luggage to be loaded onto the coach
09.15	Depart school for London, stop at service station on journey for comfort break.
13.00	Approximate arrival in London. Group to proceed to the Science Museum.
17.00	Pizza Express London Coptic Street Address: 147 Strand, London. WC2R 1JA
19.00	Arrive at the Adelphi Theatre , for the evening performance of Back to the Future, The Musical . Address: Strand, London. WC2R 0NS
19:30	Performance commences. Running time: 2 hours and 40 minutes.
22:10	Performance ends. Meet the coach and proceed to accommodation.
23.30	Approximate arrival and check in at Premier Inn Hendon (The Hyde) for 1 night bed and breakfast accommodation.

Friday 21st June 2024

08.00	Breakfast at the hotel. Collect Packed lunches.
09:00	Check out of hotel after breakfast. Load luggage on to the coach and proceed to Central London.
12.45	London Eye River Cruise - Departing from The London Eye pier. You will be taken on route to see the Houses of Parliament, though to The Tower of London and Tower Bridge, where you will return back to The London Eye Pier.
15.00	Group to re-join the coach for the journey back to school.
19:15	Approximate arrival back to School. A stop at a service station for a comfort break.