

30 January 2012

Dear Parents

### **Year 10 Cultural and University visit to Portsmouth - Tuesday 27 March 2012**

This cultural and university day will provide pupils in year 10 with the opportunity to explore the historical city of Portsmouth and to gain an insight into what student life might be like with a tour of the university buildings and halls of residence at the Portsmouth University.

We will be leaving school at 8.30am and travel by coach to Portsmouth. On arrival, pupils will climb The Spinnaker and then take a tour of HMS Warrior. In the afternoon, we will visit the Portsmouth University and have a tour of the campus and student union led by their ambassadors. We expect to leave the university at about 4.00pm with a view to be back at school at approximately 6.00pm. It is my intention that all pupils in year 10 take part in this trip as it will be supporting work that has been covered in a variety of subjects.

The cost of the trip will be £23 to cover the cost of the coach, the visit to the Historic dockyards and to The Spinnaker Tower. Access to Gunwharf Quay and the university will be free of charge. I would also suggest that pupils are given a small amount of money to purchase lunch in the Gunwharf Quay shopping centre and also for a small tea or snack in the student union if time permits.

Pupils should wear school uniform but we will be spending part of the day outside and walking around the dockyards so sensible shoes and warm clothing will be essential. An outdoor waterproof jacket should be worn if rain is forecast.

Payment for this trip may be made through the ParentPay system, and must be received **by no later than Friday 10 February**. To make your payment simply login to your son's/daughter's account on the ParentPay website ([www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com)) and under the services menu select 'Year 10 Portsmouth trip' by ticking the box to the left of the item and then click on 'continue' and follow the payment instructions. You may use debit or credit cards to pay for this service. Should you have any problems using the ParentPay system please contact the school via [parentpay@claremont.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:parentpay@claremont.surrey.sch.uk), tel: 01372 473604 or the ParentPay helpline and your enquiry will receive prompt attention.

Contact and medical information will be collated from the school's database system. As soon as your payment has been received via ParentPay this school deems that permission to take part in this trip has been given.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Year 10