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Dear parents and carers

KS4 & KS5 TRIP TO ATHENS, GREECE - OCTOBER 2026

We are offering a residential trip for year 11, 12 and 13 students to Athens, Greece. This will be a four-day, three-night trip leaving on Thursday 22 October 2026, from Hartismere School, and returning on Sunday 25 October 2026. We will be travelling with NST. Please note that it is essential that your child has a passport with at least 6 months' validity at the time of travel for this trip.

The price of the trip includes transfer from Hartismere School to a London Airport (details to be confirmed) to Eleftherios Venizelos International Airport in Greece, including airport transfers, return journey, plus half board accommodation.

The itinerary is as follows:

Day 1: Arrival to the hotel and check-in. Familiarisation with the area.

Day 2: We will have a 3-hour orientation coach tour with a guide taking the group on external visits to sites in Athens ending at the Acropolis & Parthenon for a guided tour of this site. Lunch in the area. In the afternoon, a 4-hour coach tour and the group continues with a mask workshop and performance. Evening meal at the hotel.

Day 3: Is a guided coach tour to Delphi. We arrive at Delphi for lunch first and then continue with the visit to the archaeological site with special permission to walk the stage.

Day 4: The group continues on foot all day. They will need 1.5 euros for the metro ride per journey. Independent sightseeing and free time in Athens: Visit to market Plaka Monasteraki, Syntagma Square and National Gardens. Also at the foot of Acropolis, there is Areopagos hill and the area of Pnyx where they can visit free of charge. Travel back home.

Accommodation will be three nights at a 3* TBA Superior in Athens at half board. Each room sleeps up to 4 students and has an en-suite bathroom. The cost does not include meals en route or lunches, so students will need to bring extra money with them to cover these costs.

The cost of the trip is £1,180.00. Should the trip be oversubscribed, names will be drawn randomly on the closing date. If your child is interested in obtaining a place, a deposit of £234 needs to be made by Friday 7 November 2025. This payment can be paid via ParentPay (and there is no need to complete any paperwork) or by cash/cheque and returned with the completed paperwork via the postboxes in



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school. If your child changes their mind and no longer wishes to go on the trip, we will need written confirmation before Friday 10 July 2025. If we can fill the place, we will refund any payments (not including the non-refundable deposit).

The payments are broken down as listed below:

- 1) £236 non-refundable deposit by Friday 7 November, payable to secure place on trip
- 2) £236 due by January 2026
- 3) £236 due by March 2026
- 4) £236 due by May 2026
- 5) £236 due by July 2026

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Mrs J Davy
Head of Drama & Theatre Studies

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Name..... Form.....

I give permission for my child to attend the above visit.

☐ I enclose a cheque or cash and the parental consent form.

Signed..... Date.....