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28 March 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

THAMES FREEPORT EXCEPTIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME – TRIP TO LONDON

As part of the Thames Freeport Exceptional Scholarship Programme, we are thrilled to offer your child a wonderful opportunity to spend a day in London on Friday 04 April 2025.

Your child should arrive at The Academy no later than 07:30 am. We will depart from the Academy at 08:00 am by minibus to Tilbury Town train station, with the intention of returning to Tilbury Train Station at approximately 4:40 pm, where students will be dismissed. Please note, the itinerary outlined below may be subject to change:

TIMINGS	ACTIVITY
7:30am	Presentation by Mrs McLaughlin in room 239
8:00am	Depart Gateway by minibus to Tilbury Town train station
8:30am	Board train to London Fenchurch Street
9:10am	Walk from London Fenchurch Street to South Bank, back to London Bridge with informal guided walking tour, including visit to St Paul’s Cathedral
1:00pm	Lunch at Franko Manca, London Bridge
2:30pm	Clothing purchase
4:00pm (approx.)	Depart London Fenchurch Street
4:40pm (approx.)	Arrive Tilbury Town train station

Students will need to dress in full school uniform (no trainers) for the purposes of safety and identification. Whilst all food, drinks, travel costs and clothing allowance will be provided, students should bring a bag with their Gateway journal, a pen and, if they wish, some snacks, drinks and a phone charger and charging cable if they have them.

This is the first step in your child’s journey on the Exceptional Scholarship Programme and we hope it will be a memorable and motivational day. To confirm your child’s attendance, please complete the Google Form using the following link: <https://forms.gle/Rv1UFuiTvkjhXzUT6>. You do not need a Google account to complete the form, though you may need to copy and paste the link into Google Chrome.

Please ensure the form is completed and submitted by **Thursday 03 April 2025**. Unfortunately, students without a completed consent form will **not** be able to attend.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on 01375 489000 or via email at david.zeffie@theglc.org.uk. Details of this event will also be available on the Academy website.

Yours sincerely

Mr D Zeffie
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL