



TBT/JJA

11 February 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

RE: KEW GARDENS – MONDAY 06 JULY 2026

I am pleased to inform you that we have arranged an educational visit to Kew Gardens, Richmond, London, for Year 9 students. This visit will support students' learning about global biomes as part of their thematic studies, including Russia and the Middle East.

Students will attend tutor time as normal at 8:15am for registration. They will then meet in the Courtyard Café before departing The Gateway Academy by coach at 8:30am. We anticipate returning to the Academy at approximately 3:30pm (traffic permitting, after which students will be dismissed. Please note that alternative arrangements will need to be made for your child's journey home on this day.

Students are not required to wear school uniform; however, they should wear weather-appropriate clothing suitable for a public venue, including a coat if necessary. All students **must** bring a packed lunch and a drink. Students entitled to a free school meal will be provided with one to collect before departure. Students are reminded that they will be representing the Academy at all times during the visit.

Places on this trip are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Students will only be permitted to attend if a completed consent form has been submitted. The total cost of the visit is £15.00, which covers transport and resources. Payment should be made via ParentPay. We have been able to keep costs to a minimum thanks to a £10.00 per student contribution from the Jack Petchey Foundation.

To confirm your child's participation, please complete the Google Form using the following link: <https://forms.gle/JPhkoDjuVeppJe1EA>. (A Google account is not required, though you may need to copy and paste the link into Google Chrome.) This consent form must be completed by **Friday 12 June 2026**. Students without a completed form will not be able to attend and will be expected to follow their normal timetable.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact me on telephone number 01375 489000 or via email at trudi.bryant@theglc.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mrs T Bryant
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

