



# Kingsmead School



A PARTNER ACADEMY IN JOHN TAYLOR MAT

Head of School: Mrs M Mincher, Bsc, NPQH

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24<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## EDUCATIONAL VISIT TO: Thackery Museum of Medicine, Leeds.

Dear Parent/Person with Parental Responsibility,

The History team are very pleased to offer our current Year 11 students the opportunity to attend the **Thackery Museum of Medicine on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> January next year**. This trip will directly enhance your child's learning and understanding of the Medicine Through Time topic they study, which makes up 30% of their overall GCSE grade. **Students will benefit from a one-hour interactive workshop in the museum's authentic Victorian operating theatre on the history of surgery**, with students being put into groups which will be small enough so they can all interact with the workshop leader personally. The operating theatre will be hugely beneficial to their study of medicine during the Industrial period of 1700-1900, one of the four time periods they study in this topic. During the workshop, experiences of surgery without anaesthetic are considered and how the development of painkillers and anaesthetic revolutionised patient experiences and outcomes. The session also includes the work of Joseph Lister, a key individual they study, who revolutionised prevention and treatment by using carbolic acid during and after surgery. Finally, the developments in blood transfusion, which they study as one of the key developments that aided soldiers in WW1 for the first section of their Medicine paper, will be explored. This session, while incredibly beneficial to their learning, is also highly interesting and quite gory – so students will need to be prepared!

When the students are not in the workshop they will also explore the following **self-led trails** with teachers making sure that students are fully engaging with the trails and making productive use of their time. These trails will also directly help them to gain a deeper understanding of their course because they specifically link to content on their paper:

1. **Public Health** - Travel back through time to meet key figures in the fight against disease and learn how its history can help us inform the very current issues we face today
2. **Pain, Pus and Blood** - A gruesome trail following the three main problems in the history of medicine – pain, infection and blood loss. From pre-anesthetic horrors in the Victorian Operating Theatre to the 'Cutting Edge' of modern surgery
3. **Medical Innovations** - This trail takes you on a journey of medical invention, looking at how we've overcome medical challenges in the past and how medical engineers are helping to find solutions to modern-day problems.

The school would ask for a **voluntary contribution of £37.00 per child to help towards costs**; with museum entry being approximately £10 and the coach being approximately £17 per child. **This trip will only be able possible if we have all the contributions in by Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023**, otherwise it will not be possible for the trip to go ahead. Please make payment via ParentPay using your log-on details. If you need assistance using ParentPay, please contact Mrs. Benton who will talk you through the process. In addition, if you would like to pay using cash, you will require a barcode reference which may also be obtained by contacting Mrs. Benton on 01543 227320.

\* If your child is in receipt of free school meals, you may be entitled to a subsidy for this trip. Please contact the school for more information via Mrs Duckett using the following email address: [r.duckett@kingsmeadschool.net](mailto:r.duckett@kingsmeadschool.net).



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Students will be travelling by coach and your child will be expected to be responsible enough to wear any seatbelt provided until informed it may be released. Departure from school will be at 9:00am and return at approximately 5.30pm.

All students will need to wear their school uniform and school shoes during the trip. All participants will need a packed lunch and drink (which should not include glass bottles) or money to purchase their lunch at the museum. A small amount of pocket money up to a maximum amount of £15.00 may be brought for which your son/daughter will be responsible, this money could be to purchase refreshments or souvenirs.

Advance warning is needed of any participants with special medical or other needs to ensure all health and safety considerations have been made. Parents must inform the school of any relevant medical or other needs on the visit consent form. **All students MUST have a completed consent form along with payment by Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023. These can be returned via email or handed into their class teacher to [b.simpson@kingmeadschool.net](mailto:b.simpson@kingmeadschool.net), [j.fennell@kingmeadschool.net](mailto:j.fennell@kingmeadschool.net) or [h.seymour@kingmeadschool.net](mailto:h.seymour@kingmeadschool.net).**

All bona fide educational visits undertaken by Kingsmead School are covered by insurance provided through our EFA Risk Protection Arrangement with the government. This visit is considered to have only normal everyday risks and no further insurance has been provided.

We look forward to providing an enjoyable educational experience for all our students and hope you can support us in providing this for your child.

Yours faithfully,

Miss B. Simpson, History and Trip Leader

## PARENTAL CONSENT FOR A SCHOOL VISIT

Please complete this form and return it to your child's class teacher by Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023

**EDUCATIONAL VISIT TO: Thackery Museum of Medicine, Leeds.**

Leaving school at 09.00 AM. The predicted time of return is 5.30pm approx.

**Medical Details:** My son/daughter has the following medical/special needs.

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**Return to Home:** I understand the departure time and predicted time of return is outside the normal school hours. I will ensure my child is dropped off and collected safely at 8:30am and 5.30pm approx.

**Photographs:** Photographs taken on this visit may be used in school or education service promotional information. Please answer Yes ... or No ....

## Parent Emergency Contact Details.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**I agree to my son/daughter attending the visit detailed above and I acknowledge that to be included he/she will need to maintain responsible behaviour.**

Name of son/daughter..... Class.....

Signed..... Date..... Parent with Parental Responsibility