

ESC/TCC

27 November 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

## Y11 Trip to Durham Cathedral and Durham University

We are offering our Year 11 history students the opportunity to visit Durham Cathedral and Durham University for an inspiring and educational experience. As part of their GCSE studies, this trip will provide valuable insights into the historical significance of the cathedral, a key topic in their exams. In addition, students will have the chance to explore Durham University, engage with staff, meet alumni, and get a taste of life at a prestigious university. This enriching day promises to combine academic learning with an unforgettable glimpse into higher education and history.

The visit is on Tuesday 21 January. We will travel by hired coach to Durham University leaving school at approximately 08:00 from North Street. Please arrive at school for 07:45. We shall be setting off back from Durham University at approximately 16:00 and therefore expect to return to school at approximately 18:15 TBC, dependent on traffic.

Students are required to bring a packed lunch for the trip to ensure they have something to eat and drink during the day – there will not be any place to purchase lunch due to the itinerary. If your child is eligible for Free School Meals a packed lunch can be provided, please email finance@heckgrammar.co.uk for further details. Please ensure that your child brings with them any routine medication which they usually carry, for example inhalers.

May I take this opportunity to remind parents that students are expected to display the very highest standards of behaviour and courtesy.

Under the School Governors' <u>Charging & Remissions Policy</u>, we request a contribution of £25.00 towards the cost of this activity. This includes travel and insurance. We must mention that without sufficient funding the trip will be unable to take place.

Please can you ensure payments are made via by ParentPay by Friday 13 December. When you make payment, you will be prompted to provide parental consent for your child to attend this trip and you will also be asked to input your contact /medical details directly into a confidential section of ParentPay.

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If you have any further questions, please contact me at school ecurrie@heckgrammar.co.uk

Yours faithfully,

Mrs E Currie

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