

20th June 2022

Dear Varndean Families

**Learning Enhancement Day: June 30th Herstmonceux Observatory**

We have arranged to take Year 8 students to **Herstmonceux Observatory** for the next Learning Enhancement Day on 30th June. Further information can be found here: <https://www.the-observatory.org/>

We will travel by coach from school, meeting in the canteen at 8.30am so that we are ready to leave at 9.00am. We will leave Herstmonceux 2.15pm, with the aim of being back in Brighton for 3.15 pm. Students need to wear full school uniform, bring a packed lunch, a drink and possibly some money to buy a souvenir in the gift shop. Those students who are provided with lunch will be able to collect it from the canteen prior to departure.

To cover transport, entry and exhibit costs we are asking families for a voluntary contribution of £16.50 (PP £5.50). This payment should be made via ParentPay. Unfortunately if we do not receive enough contributions the trip may not go ahead. If you are not sure of your login details please contact [food@varndean.co.uk](mailto:food@varndean.co.uk). Parental consent for your child to go on this trip can be given by ticking the box in ParentPay. Please complete the boxes in parentpay with your contact details for the day of the trip. Alternatively you can complete the slip below for your child to hand in to Caroline Heath in The Medical Room or email the details to [trips@varndean.co.uk](mailto:trips@varndean.co.uk) by **Wednesday June 22nd**.

We are collecting this information so that we can best support your child and their wellbeing during this activity. This information will be shared with relevant school staff and external activity providers where necessary. Data will be retained in accordance with Varndean School Data Protection Policy.

Kind Regards

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**Learning Enhancement Day Year 8 Herstmonceux Observatory June 30th - please return to the medical centre or email the requested information to [trips@varndean.co.uk](mailto:trips@varndean.co.uk)**

I give permission for [please print]

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_

to attend the above detailed trip.

Parent/Carer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Number on Day of Trip: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Details: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/carer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return to Caroline Heath at the Medical Centre**