

Ref: ZB/jn 10

18th July 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

**Re: GCSE Art Trip to St Ives: Thursday 24th and Friday 25th October 2024**

I am pleased to announce that we will be running an Art residential trip for our Year 10 GCSE Art students.

It is hoped that all of our GCSE Art students will attend this residential trip to further their knowledge and skills of art, and it will also be used to inspire their first GCSE project "Nature".

**Day One: Thursday 24th October** we shall be taken by coach to the Eden Project for a drawing day, taking inspiration from the natural shapes and forms within the biodomes. The trip will involve students leaving Braunton Academy at 8.00 am. Students will either need to bring their own packed lunch or buy food at the Eden Project. Mid-afternoon we shall be collected from Eden and driven by coach to St Ives. Students will be staying in the Cohort Educational hostel in St Ives where we have use of the entire building, for our students only. Students will be staying overnight in small dormitories.

In the evening, we will be having a talk from an artist about the history of artists working in St Ives.

There will also be an opportunity to explore the town late afternoon. You can see more about the hostel if you follow the link: <https://www.stayatcohort.co.uk/>

**Day Two: Friday 25th October** students will have a self-service breakfast in the hostel before packing our belongings. Students will then be split into two working groups to visit the Tate Gallery and Barbara Hepworth Museum. Students will need to buy lunch in St Ives before the groups swap over venues to do the second activity. We then return to the Hostel to collect our bags and board our coach, returning to Braunton late afternoon, approx. 5.00 pm.

Included in the price is our stay, travel, evening meal, breakfast and entries to our various activities and talk. The only additional money needed is for lunches and spending money.

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We have managed to keep the cost as low as possible and can run the trip at a cost of £95 per student.

Students in receipt of a free school meal will have the cost discounted by 20%, making the cost of the trip £76.

**To secure our bookings we shall need a non-refundable deposit of £25.00 on or before 9.00 am on Monday 7th August. The full non-refundable balance will be due by 9.00 am on Monday 2nd September.**

**If meeting either deadline will be an issue for you, please email Mrs Nolan: [jnolan@braunton.academy](mailto:jnolan@braunton.academy) to arrange an alternative date.**

The Art Department are happy to be able to offer such exciting opportunities for our students once more. If there are any questions or issues regarding this letter, please contact me.

Kind regards

Mrs Z Bateman, Head of Expressive Arts