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Dear Parent/Carer



As Expressive Arts AOLE Lead, I am concentrating on bringing whole new experiences into Art and Design at Cefn Hengoed.

I am inviting pupils of Cefn Hengoed Community School in Year 7 and 8 to experience a once in a life time opportunity to visit the States. What better setting for our students to explore artistic codes and conventions than standing in front of the great works themselves in the awe inspiring museums and seeing the famous landmarks from the Empire State Building in the city that never sleeps! After spending three days in NY, we go back on the road to visit Philadelphia for the day and then spend our last two days in Washington DC.

We will be staying in centrally based hotels. The trip will take place from **Tuesday 24th March – Monday 30th March 2026**, 7 days and 6 nights and will cost £2,090. The cost of the trip includes the following:

- Return scheduled air travel between London and New York (outbound), and Washington DC and London (return)
- Return airport transfers in New York and Washington DC with a meet and greet on arrival
- Coach transfer between New York, Philadelphia, and Washington DC
- Coach transfer between school and London airport
- The above mentioned nights **Half-Board** accommodation, evening meals in **authentic local restaurants, Ellen's Stardust Diner, Hard Rock cafe, Bubba Gump Shrimp, and similar restaurants**
- Pupils will be accommodated in multi-bedded rooms with wash facilities
- Sightseeing tour of **New York**
- Sightseeing tour of **Philadelphia**
- Sightseeing tour of **Washington DC**
- Entrance to **Empire State Building**
- Entrance to **9/11 Memorial Museum**
- Shopping opportunities in **Times Square** and **Fifth Avenue**
- Visit to **Washington Zoo**
- Visit to **Smithsonian Natural History Museum at Washington**
- Visit to **Arlington Cemetery**
- Visit to the **Lincoln Memorial and War Memorials**



This is an exceptional opportunity not to be missed. **The trip is reserved for only 30 pupils in Year 7 and 8 on a first come first served basis.**

To secure a place on the trip, we will require a **non-refundable** deposit of **£150**. *Payments will only be accepted via sQuid.* When making payment via sQuid, please ensure that you receive confirmation of your purchase to your e-mail address. **This deposit will be passed on to the travel company and is non-refundable.**

Payment will open on sQuid from 8am Monday 4th November 2024. Please note, spaces are limited and pupils attending will be on a first come, first served basis. *Should you require any help with using sQuid, please do not hesitate to contact the main school office.*

We reserve the right to remove any pupil from the trip if their behaviour is not up to school standards, in which case you would get a full refund. Please note that if at any point you wish to take your child off the trip, this needs to be put in writing and you are not guaranteed a full refund if their place is not filled. Every pupil will need their own passport and ESTA.

Further payments can be made in instalments on or before the dates stated below:

1st deposit	4th November 2024	£150 (Non-refundable)
2nd deposit	29th November 2024	£150 (Non-refundable)
1st instalment	20th December 2024	£150
2nd instalment	31st January 2025	£150
3rd instalment	28th February 2025	£150
4th instalment	31st March 2025	£150
5th instalment	30th April 2025	£150
6th instalment	30th May 2025	£150
7th instalment	30th June 2025	£150
8th instalment	31st July 2025	£150
9th instalment	29th August 2025	£150
10th instalment	30th September 2025	£150
11th instalment	30th October 2025	£150
12th instalment	28th November 2025	£140

We will of course hold a full briefing meeting for all those involved along with parents and carers nearer the departure date.

Yours sincerely

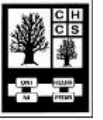
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Mrs K Browning
Expressive Arts AOLE Lead



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Parental Consent Form



1. Details of Visit to: New York & Washington

Departing: Tuesday 24th March 2026

Returning: Monday 30th March 2026

Surname: _____ Forename: _____ Form: _____

I agree to _____ taking part in this visit and for him/her to participate in the activities described. I acknowledge the need for him/her to behave responsibly.

2. Medical Information about your child:

Does your child have any medical requirements? YES / NO

If YES, please give brief details: _____

3. Declaration

I agree to my son/daughter receiving medication as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.

Parent/Carer Contact Telephone Numbers:

Home: _____ Work: _____ Mobile: _____

Home Address: _____

Alternative Emergency Contact:

Name: _____ Tel No(s): _____

Home Address: _____

Family Doctor:

Name: _____ Tel No(s): _____

Surgery Address: _____

- 4.** I **AGREE** to my son/daughter being photographed during the visit
 I **DO NOT** agree to my son/daughter being photographed during the visit

Signed: _____ **Full Name (BLOCK Capitals):** _____

Relationship: _____ **Date:** _____

THIS FORM OR A COPY MUST BE TAKEN BY THE GROUP LEADER ON THE VISIT.
A COPY SHOULD BE RETAINED BY THE SCHOOL CONTACT.