

JMY/BAL 16th February 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 Religious Education Visit to the Four Churches in the Catholic Parish of Walsingham 10/11th June 2024.

We are pleased to inform you that we are planning a day trip to the Catholic Parish of Walsingham on either 10/11th June 2024.

The total cost of the trip will be **£30.00**. This is to cover the cost of transport to and from college and entrance to the tour of the four churches within the Catholic Parish of Walsingham.

The focus of the tour are the differences and similarities of Eucharistic Worship and Baptism in the three different denominations, Methodist, Roman Catholic, and Orthodox plus the Anglican Shrine, which is Anglo-Catholic. Discussion will take place about the celebrations of the Eucharist and Baptism explaining the teachings of these for each denomination.

We are confident the trip will be an exciting and rewarding experience for the students and will give them the opportunity to gain valuable knowledge about essential Christian traditions which will be covered in later content later in school RE topics, especially at GCSE level.

We will depart St Benedict's at **8.00 am** by coach and return to college at **5.00 pm**. Should the college cancel the trip a full refund will be made, however, all monies are non-refundable should you cancel the place yourself.

If you would like your child to take part, please pay using <u>ParentPay</u> by **19th April 2024**. If we do not receive sufficient interest and payment for the trip by the deadline, it is probable that the trip will not be able to go ahead. Consent will be completed as part of the ParentPay process. The maximum number of places available is 100 (across two days) and should the trip be oversubscribed, places on the trip will be allocated by random ballot. The college reserves the right to refuse any student a place if their conduct leading up to the trip is unacceptable.

The college would not want the cost to prevent any student from attending. If you feel that you are in such a position, please contact your child's pastoral lead within one week of receiving this letter and we will endeavour to assist so that all students have an opportunity to attend. Students will need to bring a packed lunch; this will be provided for students in receipt of free school meals.

Students will wear appropriate full college uniform on the visit.

If you have any queries regarding this trip, please email <u>trips@stbenedicts.essex.sch.uk</u> or call the college office on 01206 549222.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Myers RE Teacher