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21 October 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: New York Creative Arts Trip: Saturday 13 February - Wednesday 17 February 2027

We are very excited to announce an incredible opportunity for students in Years 9 & 10. This year, the Creative Arts department is planning an unforgettable trip to the vibrant and inspiring city of New York!

This five-day trip is designed to immerse students in the world-renowned arts and culture scene of New York City. Students will have the unique opportunity to participate in hands-on Broadway workshops and watch two Broadway shows, offering an immersive glimpse into professional theatre productions. We will also visit Gayle's Broadway Rose and explore other famous tourist attractions such as SUMMIT One Vanderbilt, allowing students to experience the vibrant and diverse arts scene in New York City as well as being beneficial to your child's GCSE studies.

Please find attached the proposed itinerary for the trip (subject to change).

Trip Name	New York Creative Arts Trip
Date	Saturday 13 February - Wednesday 17 February 2027
Time of Departure	Saturday 13 February 2027 morning (exact time tbc)
Time of Return	Wednesday 17 February 2027 (exact time tbc)
Meeting Point	Wildern School Coach Parking
Transport Arrangements	Flights London - New York, Coach transfer to and from the airport in the UK and US
Cost	£2260.00
Meal requirements	Meals are included in the overall cost
Payment & consent required no later than	Deposit to be paid by Friday 14 November 2025 Full payment by 30 November 2026
Payment schedule	£160.00 deposit by Friday 14 November 2025 Twelve further payments of £175.00 per month, due by the last day of each month. First payment due by 31 December 2025 – final payment due by 30 November 2026
Places available	32 - Year 10 & 11 students (current year 9 & - 10) In the event of oversubscription places for the trip will be allocated by drawing names from a hat.

Included activities	• 2 Course Meal Inc Soft Drink at Tick Tock Diner • Evening Meal at Planet Hollywood • Gayle's Broadway Rose - 3 Course Meal Inc Soft Drink • 90 Minute Workshop - Stage Combat • 90 Minute Workshop Tailored to Show (show TBA) • Visit to Grand Central Terminal • 'Stage Door' Tour at Radio City • 2 x Broadway Theatre Performance (show TBA) • Single/Return Journey on Staten Island Ferry • Summit One Experience • 9/11 Memorial Visit
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Please complete the relevant sections on ParentPay to give consent for your child to attend this trip. The deposit will also need to be paid at this time. If you have not already activated your ParentPay account and require your login details please do not hesitate to contact the Finance Office at finance@wildern.org.

If you would like your child to attend please complete the online ParentPay consent section accompanied by a non-refundable deposit payment of £160.00 by Friday 14 November 2025.

Medical information will be asked for once places are confirmed.

There are 32 places available. In the event of oversubscription we will endeavour to take into consideration any students who may have missed out on trips previously due to oversubscription, and will allocate any further places by drawing names out of a hat. In the event of a place not being allocated, any monies received will be returned.

When taking a trip we take as many students as possible within the constraints we are bound by. We have to consider venue restrictions, travel arrangements and the impact on the rest of the school when staff are taken out of their curriculum areas to support a trip. Staff running and supporting our school trips often do this outside of their working hours and do so voluntarily. As a school we work extremely hard to get this balance right for all parties involved.

Teachers accompanying residential visits carry enormous responsibility for the students in their care particularly when travelling abroad. The Senior Leadership Team reserve the right to withdraw students from the trip at any time should a student's attitude or behaviour not meet our expectations as a school. The Senior Leadership team will also consider whether allowing a student on a trip will cause concern with regards to safeguarding for them, other students or staff, and will make a decision based on this should it be necessary.

Yours sincerely

Miss G Wiley
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