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Dear Parent / Carer

GCSE Art and Photography Trip to Plymouth, Wednesday 13 January 2027

As part of your child's GCSE Art/Photography programme of study, we are pleased to offer an exciting educational visit to Plymouth that has been designed to support their current project work and provide valuable first-hand creative experiences.

During the visit, students will travel by coach to The Box, where they will explore 'The Way We Live' exhibition and take part in a bespoke workshop led by a local artist. This workshop has been specially designed to help our students develop ideas and responses for their current GCSE project.

In the afternoon, students will walk to Arts University Plymouth, where they will participate in a range of practical workshops, including photography and textiles, giving them the opportunity to experience specialist facilities and develop new creative skills as well as consider further educational opportunities beyond sixth form.

The trip will take place during the normal school day. Students will depart from school at 9:00am after registration and return in time for school buses.

Trip Details

- Cost: £18.50
- Payment and consent method: ParentPay
- Payment Deadline: Monday 7 December 2026
- Students may wear their own clothes suitable for the activities proposed

Students should bring a packed lunch and a drink for the day. For those eligible for Free School Meals, a packed lunch will be provided by the school.

We believe this visit will be an invaluable opportunity for students to broaden their artistic understanding, gain inspiration from professional artists and exhibitions and further develop the practical skills required for success in GCSE.

If you would like your child to take part, please ensure payment is made via ParentPay by Monday 7 December 2026. We do not wish payment to be a barrier to attending this trip so please contact Jo Clarke (jclarke@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk) if we can be of assistance in this respect.

Should you have any questions regarding the trip, please do not hesitate to contact jcarr@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk

Yours faithfully

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