



Queen Mary's Grammar School

Headmaster: R J Langton, M A

Tuesday 10 September 2019

Warner Bros. Studio Tour, London – The Making of Harry Potter and Script Workshop

Dear parent / carer,

I am thrilled to announce an exciting educational experience open to Year 8 pupils. In December, we will be taking a group of interested pupils to delight in a day at Warner Bros. Studios, London. Boys who have enjoyed the *Harry Potter* books by J. K. Rowling and the accompanying Warner Bros. film franchise will have a fantastic time on this trip. The activities during the day will include a studio tour and a media and film workshop. Your child's visit will take place on either Wednesday 4 December 2019 or Wednesday 11 December 2019, to be confirmed once we have established numbers attending from each form group.

Boys who attended in 2017 and 2018 said: 'This was a school trip with an educational twist, but was all very enjoyable as well.' 'We were lucky to see extra special effects, like fake snow and how fire is created safely for films.' 'The whole trip was amazing. It was very interactive and brilliant for fans of the series.'

The hour-long media and film script workshop will help budding writers to develop their skills in the art of scriptwriting as they learn to structure plots like master storytellers and write their own stories to be judged by the team at Warner Bros. Studios. They will discover how professional writers for the cinema use images and language to advance the plot of a screenplay. All this will be enhanced as the boys examine authentic artwork and props created for the wizarding world films. The whole visit will support students' studies in English, cultivating their imaginations and showcasing the power of the written word.

We will transport pupils from Queen Mary's Grammar School and return them to school via coach. The exact timings of the day (as well as the date of your child's visit) will be confirmed in due course, but as an indication coaches will depart at approximately 7.30 am and return to school by 7.30 pm.

Pupils may wear non-uniform or wizarding wear for the day. They are required to bring lunch money or a packed lunch for the day to eat at the venue. We can offer a packed lunch to pupils eligible for free school meals – please indicate on the reply slip if this is required. Additionally, pupils may wish to bring a reasonable amount of money for merchandise as the day will include a visit to the shop.


The trip will cost £40, which includes entrance and travel. There are 90 places for this visit, and these will be allocated on a strictly first-come-first-served basis. We advise you return the attached reply slip ASAP to avoid disappointment; reply slips should only be given to Mr Clay-Croome in the Library at break time from Wednesday 11 September onwards. Instructions on making the necessary payment will then be given to your son if he successfully secures a place on the trip.

Yours faithfully,

A Clay-Croome

Mr A W Clay-Croome
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Reply slip

Please complete this reply slip and return it to Mr Clay-Croome in the Library at break time.

I would like my son _____ (print name clearly) in _____ (form)
to attend **The Making of Harry Potter tour and script workshop** in December 2019.

I acknowledge that if my son is successful in securing a place on this trip, I will need to make a payment of £40 via Parent Pay by Monday 30 September, otherwise his place will be reallocated.

Please tick as required:

- My son is eligible for free school meals and would like a packed lunch provided.

Signed: _____ (parent / carer)