

February 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Los Angeles Residential Trip 2025

On 15th February 2025, as part of your child's academic development, we are organising a trip to Los Angeles, United States to take place between 15/02/2025 – 20/02/2025.

LA is one of the world's most luxurious destinations in the entertainment industry and there is no better way to inspire our sixth form students than on an educational trip to visit some of the world's biggest attractions. We have devised specialist programmes and study visits for Year 12 and 13 sixth form students, associated with business but also future study opportunities. Our Business educational trip to LA will also include a host of entertainment activities including, Universal Studios Hollywood, Warner Bros Studios, Paramount Pictures, Hollywood Boulevard, Visit to the Dolby Theatre and more. Additionally, dining opportunities will be included for each evening such as Hard Rock Café, Bubba Gump, Seaside Pier and more to be confirmed. The trip will include flights, accommodation and coach hire through the duration of our time in the city.

### **The details of the trip are as follows (subject to confirmation):**

<b>Date:</b>	Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 – Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2025
<b>Venue:</b>	Comfort Inn Santa Monica, Los Angeles
<b>Accommodation:</b>	Students accommodated in quad rooms, bed share basis (students separated by gender)
<b>Time of Departure:</b>	Sweyne Park School Bus Bay. Time: to be advised
<b>Time of Return:</b>	Thursday evening (time to be advised)
<b>Meal Plan:</b>	Breakfast and evening meals are included. Students advised to bring their own money for lunch and snacks during the day.
<b>Mode of Transport:</b>	Coach
<b>Cost:</b>	£2439 - in the circumstance 25 pupils subscribe
<b>Available Places:</b>	The number of places available on the trip is limited to 25. In the event of the trip being oversubscribed, we will carry out a selection process taking in to account each applicant's effort grades rather than on a first come first served basis. Where effort grades are the same, a random ballot will be used. If we are unable to offer your son/daughter a place, their name will be added to a reserve list.

***Please do not pay any money until your child has a letter informing them that they have been successful in obtaining a place on the trip. At this stage, please just return the attached Consent Form to Mr Hobbs by 27th February 2024. A deposit of £150 will follow shortly after the deadline.***

This trip will be covered by school insurance and accompanied by members of staff. In the event of your child being unable to attend the trip we will not be able to offer a refund unless there are exceptional circumstances. You are directly responsible for ensuring passports are 6 months in date. It is advised your child is fully vaccinated from Covid-19 in the event of changes to guidance. Additionally, pupils are expected to complete their own **ESTA** applications prior to the trip to be granted entry into the United States.

If there are any financial difficulties, please contact the Headteacher, Mrs Dines, in the strictest confidence. If you have any queries concerning the trip, please contact me at the school.

Yours faithfully,

Steven Hobbs

