



27 June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

**History Trip to Auschwitz and Krakow – Monday 20 – Thursday 23 January 2025
Current Year 10 and 12 Students (who will be Year 11 and 13 at time of the trip)**

I am writing to inform you that we will be running the History trip to Auschwitz and Krakow again in January 2025. The trip is open for all students currently in Year 10 and also Year 12 A Level History students (who will be Year 11 and Year 13 at the time of the trip) with a focus on those students studying GCSE History and who wish to develop their understanding of the Holocaust. Germany 1919-1945 will feature prominently throughout the Year 11 unit of study of GCSE History.

Whilst in Krakow, students will take guided tours of Auschwitz and Birkenau, Schindler's Factory, the Wieliczka Salt Mines, Kazimierz (Jewish area) and Krakow old town. A final itinerary will be confirmed closer to the date of travel, along with flight times.

The cost of this trip is **£760**, which includes UK airport coach transfers, return flights from Heathrow to Krakow, accommodation and entries to all sites we will be visiting. Food will be provided on a half board basis, which includes breakfast and evening dinner.

There are **50 places available** on this trip as follows:

- 10 places for current Year 12 A Level History students – who will be Year 13 at the time of the trip
- 40 places for current Year 10 students – who will be Year 11 at the time of the trip

Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis (on payment of deposit via sQuid), with class behaviour taken into consideration. If you would like your child to go on this trip, there is a **non-refundable deposit of £160**, to be paid, using your child's existing sQuid account. You will be able to do this **from 6pm on Sunday 14 July 2024** (closing date is **10pm Tuesday 16 July 2024**).

As we anticipate this to be a high demand trip, we would advise parents/carers to log in to sQuid using a web browser rather than using the sQuid app. We have found that occasionally, certain phone models do not fully support the functionality of the sQuid app and parents/carers have struggled to complete the booking process. Please ensure you select the trip from the Trips/Offer Section, add the trip to your basket, agree to the Terms & Conditions, and then fully check out. **Please ensure you select the correct offer for the year group your child is in.**

For your information, the remaining payment dates are listed below. Please note that all payments can be made at any time but each one **must** be paid by the date stated:

Payment Required	To Be Paid By
£160 deposit (non-refundable)	Deposit payment date
£200	by 30 August 2024
£200	by 30 September 2024
£200	by 30 October 2024

Please note that due to the nature of this trip, we are unable to refund the cost of the trip, if your child is unable to go.

If you are unsuccessful in obtaining a place for your child, and would like to be added to the reserve list, please email Mrs Feetham, Trips and Visits Coordinator, k.feetham@coxgreen.com, requesting this, once all places are sold or the deposit payment slot has closed.

All students attending this trip must be on the school roll at the time of the trip and will require a valid passport and EHIC/GHIC (European/Global Health Insurance Card) to travel. We have been advised that British passport holders must be valid for at least three months after the day you leave the UK.

If you would like any further information about this particular trip, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or Mrs Feetham, via the main office or by email to enquiries@coxgreen.com.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Burrows
Head of Sixth Form/Teacher of History

Please note:

- *Places on all trips are subject to the school expectations for the Behaviour Policy being met. Any student who receives a suspension may have their place withdrawn from the trip and no refund will be made unless the place can be resold. In addition, if the school assesses that the attendance on a trip is a Health and Safety risk to the student or to others, a place will not be allocated to that student or a place will be withdrawn and there will be no refund made unless the place can be resold.*
- *Should your child be unable to attend a trip due to medical reasons, we will require a Medical Certificate to apply for an insurance claim.*
- *If the trip is cancelled due to uncontrollable circumstances i.e. weather, Foreign/Home Office guidance, the refunding of costs will be subject to insurance cover.*
- *If your child is, or has ever been in receipt of free school meals, then you may be eligible for assistance with the costs of this trip, from the school's Pupil Premium funding. To make a request for assistance please contact the Finance Office via email: finance@coxgreen.com or in writing to the school; including your child's name and form, stating that they are, or have been in receipt of free school meals. The Pupil Premium funding is to be used for educational purposes only.*
- *Please note that Pupil Premium support for this trip is limited to 10% of the total cost of the trip and all requests should be made by 12 noon on Wednesday 3 July 2024.*
- *This trip is run via travel company: Voyager School Travel.
To enable your child to attend the trip, we will be sharing your child's personal data with the travel company and any partners of the travel company that are required for the running of the contract (e.g. airlines, hotels, etc.).*
- *Payments are to be made by the dates specified. Late or non-payment may result in your child's place being withdrawn from the trip. If you choose to withdraw your child for reasons not stated above, any costs attributed to date, must still be made.*
- *Should the school need to contact you in an emergency, we will use contact details supplied on your most recent OA4 Form (off-site activity form). If there are any changes to the details on this form, including any medical or dietary requirements, it is the parent/carer responsibility to inform the school.*
- *This is an optional trip and is not essential to the curriculum or completion of the syllabus being studied.*
- *There will be no insurance cover due to disinclination to travel.*