

# The Gilbert School

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Dear Parent/Carer

## Re: Hampton Court Palace School Trip – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025

On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025, the Gilbert School history department will be running a trip to the historic site of Hampton Court Palace for Year 10 History GCSE students.

As you will know, Year 10 have recently been studying the reign of King Henry VIII and the work of his ministers. At the centre of Henry's reign was Hampton Court Palace. Here, he held court for the nobles and made key decisions regarding foreign and domestic affairs. In their visit, pupils will be able to use a range of physical and documentary evidence to explore Henry's reign.

Upon arrival, students will be split into small groups and given a guided tour by a member of the Gilbert School staff. This will enable students to visit Henry's Great Hall, Tudor kitchens, and discover the spectacular baroque palace built for William III and Mary II. They will also explore 60 acres of magnificent gardens. Moreover, whilst walking around the site, students will complete an information workbook which can be kept for revision purposes in the future.

Students need to be in full school uniform and bring packed food for the visit. They will need to arrive to the school site on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 07:40 and the coaches will be leaving the school site at 08:00.

Late attendees will not be able to attend and will be expected to complete their normal school timetable. We aim to arrive back to the school site between 17:30-18:00.

As students will be off timetable during the day of the trip, they are expected to catch up on any work and homework missed. Teachers of Year 10 will be provided with a list of students attending the trip in advance.

The cost of the trip is £30.00 per student. This encompasses tickets to the site, workbooks and travel costs. There is a limit of 88 student spaces for this trip.

**Please provide your consent and further medical details by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024.**

Once we have confirmed your child's place, the trip will be activated on ParentPay and payment should be made by **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024.**

In the event of the trip being oversubscribed, a ballot system will be used to allocated places.

This is a great opportunity for all involved to enhance their historical knowledge and skills whilst engaging in England's fascinating historical sites.

If you have further queries, please don't hesitate to contact me on [ema@gilberd.com](mailto:ema@gilberd.com).

Yours faithfully

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