

9 September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Knitting and Stitching Show – Alexandra Palace, London

Frome College Textiles Department have organised a trip to visit the Knitting and Stitch Show, Alexandra Palace, London **on Friday 11 October 2024**. This is a fantastic opportunity to see young graduates' work, meet Textile artists such as, Jessie Chorley and Harriet Riddell and watch live demonstrations of the latest textile techniques. This trip will provide students with the opportunity to speak to the textile artists, gather primary research for their current projects and gain inspiration.

More details of the show can be found here.

<https://www.theknittingandstitchingshow.com/london/>

As there are only 45 places available on the trip, places will be allocated on a strictly first come, first served basis. We will be travelling by coach to London, leaving Frome College at 9am, and we will be back at approximately 7pm. Students can be collected from the main car park or be permitted to walk home. Students should bring a packed lunch and drink with them, as I am not sure what opportunities there will be for them to purchase food and drinks at the show. If your child is entitled to free school meals, please let me know so that I can arrange a packed lunch for them. There will be opportunities to purchase items such as beads, buttons and other craft items so students may also like to bring some spending money.

The visit will be covered by the normal Somerset Education Insurance Policy. Please be aware that:

- Except for visits abroad insurance arrangements are the same as for pupils in school, i.e. that the Authority only provides cover against proven or agreed negligence by the Authority and its employees.
- You should consider making your own insurance arrangements for personal accident cover for your son/daughter for school activities in the UK.

The cost of the trip is £35.50 which will cover the cost of travel expenses and insurance. The payment deadline is **Friday 27 September 2024**. Payment for this trip can be made by ParentPay. By making your payment by ParentPay please be aware this is also used as acceptance of your parental consent and that you are satisfied with the arrangements outlined above. Please ensure that we have your up-to-date emergency contact details and any relevant medical information as this information is taken from our college database. If your child is in receipt of pupil premium funding, please contact the college as support with the payment is available. Pay Point letters are available upon request, please phone the Finance Team on 01373 469006 which any finance queries.

If you have any queries about the trip, please do not hesitate to contact me at the College on **01373 465353** or via email at cgale@fromecollege.org.uk

Yours sincerely



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