

## Rome and Sorrento 2015

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May 2014

Dear Parent

I am pleased to be writing to you with news of the planned tour for the Year 9 and 10 pupils to Rome and Sorrento from 5<sup>th</sup> July to 10<sup>th</sup> July 2015. The tour will comprise of two and a half days in Rome visiting historic and religious sites such as the Coliseum, Forum, Pantheon, St Peter's Basilica and Tivoli; followed by a coach transfer to Sorrento stopping off at the catacombs. From Sorrento, where we will stay for two and a half days, we will be visiting Pompeii, Herculaneum and Mt Vesuvius, as well as exploring the local area. This trip will be a valuable cultural experience for all pupils and has received excellent feedback from previous visits.

We expect outbound flights to be from Gatwick to Rome and return flights from either Naples or Rome back to Gatwick. Accommodation in both centres will be in 3 star hotels, on a half board basis.

To finance the visit a voluntary contribution of £810 is required based on 30 pupils. If 40 or more pupils wish to go the cost will be reduced to £790. The cost of the trip includes breakfast and evening meals and entrance fees into all attractions. If insufficient funds are available, the visit will be unable to take place. All pupils will require a valid passport and EHI Card. A full, detailed itinerary will be provided nearer to departure, along with a parents' evening to describe the visit and for further questions to be answered.

If you wish your child to take part in this exciting and educationally enriching opportunity then please return the slip below to Mrs Homer in the school office with a non-refundable deposit of £100 (cheques made payable to 'The Test Valley School') by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2014

<b>£79.00</b> by Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2014	<b>£79.00</b> by Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> September 2014
<b>£79.00</b> by Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2014	<b>£79.00</b> by Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2014
<b>£79.00</b> by Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2014	<b>£79.00</b> by Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2015
<b>£79.00</b> by Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2015	<b>£79.00</b> by Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2015
Final payment <b>£78.00</b> by Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2015	

Places will be offered on a first come first served basis. Parents should be fully aware that the final acceptance of a pupil on this trip is at the discretion of the school and the behaviour of any pupil during the school year may be taken into account when reaching a decision.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at school should you wish to discuss the visit in further detail.

Yours sincerely

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