



# Portsmouth High School

**G D S T**  
GIRLS' DAY SCHOOL TRUST

KAP/sf/phs

19 February 2018

Dear Parent

## **Trip: Krakow, Poland – History and Religious Studies**

**Date of trip:** 5 days and 4 nights between 4-8 April 2019

**Year Groups:** Girls currently in Years 8 - 12

### **Student eligibility for trip:**

We have decided to offer this exciting opportunity to all pupils who will be in years 9 to 13, which is relevant to all pupils, but in particular to those interested in history and religious studies.

### **Purpose of trip:**

During their time at Portsmouth High School all pupils will learn about the Holocaust in World War II. The trip to Krakow gives them the opportunity to delve further into this part of history and experience a different culture. We will take a walking tour of the Jewish Quarter (including the Ghetto, Synagogue and the Oscar Schindler Factory Museum), visit the Galicja Jewish Museum (hoping to meet a Holocaust survivor) and spend a day at the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp.

### **Sample outline itinerary:**

- **Day 1:** Travel to Poland, evening meal at hotel
- **Day 2:** Walking tour of the Jewish Quarter, Galicja Museum, meal out at a Jewish restaurant with Klezmer music concert
- **Day 3:** Visit to Auschwitz-Birkenau, evening meal and a walk around the old square
- **Day 4:** Visit to Schindler Factory Museum and a guided walking tour of Krakow, with time to explore the old square
- **Day 5:** Visit to Factory Krakow shopping outlet, flight home

**Total Cost: £650** based on 30 pupils taking part, though we are happy to take more pupils, which should bring the costs down.

We will book the trip through a company called Study Trips, who are specialists in organising this trip.

The total cost includes the return international airfare from London Heathrow to Krakow, all international departure taxes and service charges, transport to and from the UK airport and all transport within Poland. It also includes half board accommodation at Hotel Wyspianski, ul Westerplatte 15, Krakow and a tour guide throughout the trip. Travel insurance will be arranged through the GDST. All activities are included in this cost.

**Extra costs:** money to buy lunch on days 1 and 5, snacks and souvenirs.

**Initial Deposit of £200 required by Friday 2 March 2018.**

In this popular trip places will be allocated on a 'first-come, first-served' basis on receipt of a deposit of £200. If your daughter is successful in securing a place on this trip, the deposit becomes non-refundable once we have confirmed her place with the travel company.

The remaining costs will be split into two payments, with £200 payable by Monday 2 July and £250 by Monday 5 November. Payments can be made online or by cheque.

**Trip Leader:** Mrs Kitty Price, teacher of religious studies

Please complete and return the attached form and return together with the deposit to the black box in the pupil entrance in an envelope clearly marked with your daughter's name, form and trip title by Friday 2 March 2018.

Please address any questions regarding this trip to the Receptionist on 023 9282 6714.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Kitty Price  
Trip Leader  
Teacher of religious studies



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## EDUCATIONAL VISIT BOOKING & CONSENT FORM

**Trip:** History and Religious Studies

**Date:** 4 – 8 April 2019

**Location/venue:** Poland

**Trip Leader:** Mrs Kitty Price

**Pupil Name:** .....

**Form:** .....

### Parental Consent:

I confirm that I have read the information provided, and wish my daughter to take part in the visit including the activities described.

I enclose a non-refundable deposit of £200.

I enclose a cheque for £ ..... for the deposit.  
(cheques payable to Portsmouth High School)

I have paid a deposit of £ ..... via SIMS Agora/BACS

Parent/Guardian Authorisation	Dated