



King's Academy **Easthampstead Park**

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Dear Parents/Carers

**Re: Year 10 GCSE Art & Photography Trip to Brighton on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

We are pleased to offer an exciting opportunity for our year 10 Design students to spend the day in Brighton gathering experiential learning and Primary source recording to support their GCSE coursework.

This Brighton trip provides the opportunity for students to glide 450 ft in the air within the spacious glass viewing pod of the i360 for a birds-eye view of Brighton to be photographed as primary source material. Students will also visit the iconic Brighton Palace pier and document the perspective and structural majesty of its Victorian Design and architecture. Students will also walk the beaches and promenades where there are many contemporary artworks on display as well as independent art galleries and the dramatic semi-submerged ruins of the West pier.

The Brighton trip is designed to inform and inspire students to adopt a wide perspective of their surroundings, and work produced on the day will feed directly into their 'Structures' unit for Fine Art and 'Atmosphere' unit for Photography. This trip will allow students to experience the difference in coastal light and to produce work on location much like professional artists and photographers.

**We will be traveling by coach from school, leaving at 8am** all students will be required to wear full school uniform and bring a packed lunch, camera, pencil, drawing pen or black biro, rubber, and if desired some spending money for the gift shops. I anticipate we will return to school at approximately 5pm.

**The cost of the trip is £36.50** and as places are limited, they will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

To reserve a place for your child on this trip, **please make payment via your ParentPay account by Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025**. You will be asked to complete emergency contact, medical, permission for photos/videos (which may be used on social media) and to confirm how your child will return home upon arrival back at school.

The commitment for your child to attend is non-refundable, regardless of reason (unless covered by insurance) or unless a replacement student can be found for them which we would endeavour to do. This is because non-refundable tickets will be purchased specifically and travel and trip associated costs will be spread across the expected cohort.

Should you need to activate your ParentPay account please email [trips@kqaeasthampstead.uk](mailto:trips@kqaeasthampstead.uk). If you require any further information regarding this trip, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at [caroline.thake@kqaeasthampstead.uk](mailto:caroline.thake@kqaeasthampstead.uk)

Yours sincerely

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