

20th February 2024

6th Form Trip to UCL Sociology Conference - Wednesday 13 March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

We are offering 6th Form students the opportunity to visit London for a 1 day Sociology Conference at Conway Hall, provided by University College London.

The conference will involve talks on a variety of topics relevant to our specification, including gender, social class, race and ethnicity, migration, education policy and more. There will also be a chance to hear first hand from some of the researchers we study, such as Professor Stephen Ball, Professor Ann Phoenix, Professor Louise Archer and Dr Caroline Oliver.

The cost of this trip will be **£33.50 for students with a railcard or £50.50 for those who do not have one.** This is to cover the cost of travel as the conference itself is free of charge. Students must ensure they bring their railcard for travel on the day.

We will be leaving Weymouth Railway Station at 6.55am so ask that students arrive by 6.45am. We will depart London at 4.35pm, scheduled to arrive back at 7.18pm. Please ensure arrangements are made for your child to get home safely from the station if they would usually travel by bus or walk home. Students will need a contactless debit card for using a bus to travel from Waterloo Station to Conway Hall. The cost each way is around £2.00.

Students should wear sensible footwear and appropriate attire for the conference. Students should also bring enough food and a drink with them as the hall does not have catering facilities, although there is a water refill point.

We have a maximum of 15 places available. **Payment should be made via the ParentMail app, by Friday 1 March** (This will go live on the parentmail app at 8.30 am Tuesday 21 February).

Bursary students are able to book a place through Ms K Andow in the Sixth Form office. We will use all contact/medical/consent information directly from Arbor, so please ensure that your child's information is up to date via the Arbor app. Should you have any queries regarding updating any information please do not hesitate to contact dbrown@budmouth-aspirations.org.

If you have any further questions about this trip, please email me at hevans@budmouth-aspirations.org

Yours sincerely

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