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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Cinema Day – Wednesday 19th July 2023

I hope that this letter finds you well. We are currently planning a fun day of activities for Years 7-10 at the end of term, to reward students for their excellent efforts throughout this school year. For several years now, the final Wednesday of the academic year has been a day that we set aside to take students off site for a day of fun activities to celebrate their efforts during the academic year. We are delighted that we will once again lead a 'Cinema Day' this year. Our 'Cinema Day' this year will take place on Wednesday 19th July 2023.

On this day, we plan on taking all Year 7-Year 10 students to the Vue Cinema in Gateshead to watch a recently released, age-appropriate film. All students should arrive at school at the usual time of no later than 8.40am on Wednesday 19th July. Students can wear appropriate, non-school uniform on this day. Students will arrive at school and go to their Form Class where they will participate in a fun, end of year quiz with their Form Tutor. Then, in a staggered manner, students will travel via Metro Train with their Form Tutor, other teachers and senior staff to the Vue Cinema in Gateshead. Upon arrival, students will be able to purchase any snacks/drinks if they wish. Students will then watch a film with their Year Group. Students will then travel back to school with staff on Metro Trains, with students then departing from school at the usual dismissal time. Therefore, on Wednesday 19th July, all Year 7-Year 10 students will start and end school at the usual time.

We hope that all students will want to participate in the above event. Students may wish to bring a packed lunch that day that they can eat in the cinema if they would like, or they can bring a small amount of money to purchase their own snacks from the cinema. Although queues at the cinema may be long, so students may choose to bring their own snacks with them instead. The parents/carers of students in receipt of Free School Meals will receive a voucher in advance of the trip, which can be used to purchase snacks or lunch to take with them on the trip. If any students do not want to go to the cinema, they will of course be able to stay in school.

The cost of the above trip, including one cinema ticket as well as transport costs on the Metro to and from the cinema is **£5 per student**. If you would like your child to attend the above cinema trip, please complete the EV3 consent form that can be accessed here via this [link](#) and then please pay the £5 electronically via the [iPayment System](#). Please do contact your child's Head of Year if you would like to discuss any financial aspect of this trip.

Therefore, if you would like your child to attend our 'Cinema Day' this year at Vue Cinema, Gateshead, please complete the above EV3 consent form and payment, via the link above and the iPayment website, by the latest of Tuesday 11th July. Your child will be unable to leave school on Wednesday 19th July unless the above EV3 consent form and payment have been submitted.

If you do have any questions at all regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year here at school. We are all really looking forward to this event and I am sure this day will prove to be a wonderful day for all students. Thank you for your continued support throughout this year. It is greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Mr McDonald
Assistant Headteacher Pastoral