



Harlington Upper School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Harlington Upper School Music Department is planning a summer concert tour to Holland in the summer term for our ensemble groups. As a member of one of the Music Department ensembles, your child/ward has expressed an interest in attending.

The tour will depart on Monday 9th July and return on Thursday 12th July 2018. We will be travelling with Halsbury Travel. Full details of the company can be found at <http://www.halsbury.com>. As part of the concert tour arrangements we will be travelling with a bilingual music tour specialist who is an expert on the area where we will be staying.

During our stay in Holland, students will be performing two concerts at two different venues, which may include taking part in local summer music festivals. It is a fabulous opportunity for your child/ward to take part in performances abroad and to be part of the musical culture of another country.

During the time that the students are not rehearsing or performing, they will get a chance to visit a traditional Dutch village, visit some local markets and possibly musical festivals. They will get a chance to explore small towns, have a canal trip in Amsterdam and have a day in a Theme Park, with the possibility of performing at one of the concerts there.

I will be holding a parent presentation and information evening in the new year for the parents of all students attending the concert tour. This will provide an opportunity for any questions to be asked and any additional information to be handed out.

The price of the concert tour is **£465.00** per student. This includes transport to and from the resort, full board accommodation, insurance (not including instrument insurance) and all visits whilst in resort. We will be travelling by luxury coach (with a TV and DVD player) which will be meeting us at school on the morning of 9th July 2018. The price quoted is the maximum price and is subject to change depending on student numbers. Once numbers are confirmed, I will write to you all again with the final price and the dates that the remaining payments are due.

All students will need valid passports and an EHIC card for this trip. The passports **MUST** be valid for both the start AND end date of the trip (9th – 12th July 2018) and whilst not compulsory, it is also recommended that there is also at least three months remaining on the passport after the return date.

We require a minimum number of 32 students (up to a maximum of 50) for the tour to take place. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If there are not enough students for the tour to take place, your deposit will be returned to you.

If you wish to secure a place for your child on this concert tour, please send a **£100** non-refundable (subject to student numbers) deposit in the form of a cheque made payable to Harlington Upper School along with the slip at the bottom of this letter.

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The remaining balance of **£365** will be paid in three separate installments. These installments of **£120 / £120 / £125** each will be due on the following dates:

- Monday 27th November 2017
- Monday 12th March 2018
- Monday 14th May 2018

Although you are of course welcome to pay the full amount as a one off payment.

All forms and deposits must be received by **Wednesday 20th September 2017** and posted in the secure Finance box on the wall in the Library. **Please write your child's name and 'Music Tour' on the back of the cheque.** This deadline is set to ensure that the quote given by Halsbury Travel remains, any later payments may incur a higher charge.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Emma Carroll

Mrs E Carroll
Head of Music and Trip Leader
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Holland Music Tour 9th – 12th July 2018.

Please return deposit cheque and slip to the post box in the Library by Wednesday 20 September.

I wish for my son/daughter (Student name)
(capitals please) to attend the HUS Music Department Tour to Holland.

Student Form Group: Student Date of Birth:

Ensembles that the student is a member of:

Parent/Carer full name:

Parent/Carer email:.....

Parent/Carer contact number:.....

Parent/Carer signature:

Date:.....

I understand that the cost of the tour is £465 and enclose a non-refundable deposit (subject to student numbers) of £100.00.