



ABINGDON

From Head of Chinese: Gao Zhang

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To parents of 3rd and 4th Year pupils studying Mandarin Chinese

*London Museum and China Town Trip
Thursday 15 June 2017*

The Chinese Department would like to take 3rd and 4th year class Mandarin Chinese students to London to experience Chinese culture.

We have arranged visits to the Victoria & Albert Museum where James Trapp, a Chinese Language Consultant, will give a lecture on **the history of China's cultural contacts with the rest of the world**. He will then give the boys a guided tour of the Chinese galleries. Afterwards we will go to China Town to view its Chinese Themed Decorations.

To maintain the Chinese flavour of the day, we have booked tables for a tea of dim sum at Joy King Lau Chinese Restaurant in Chinatown. We will encourage the boys to speak Chinese over lunch.

We will travel in either a school minibus or coach depending on the number of students. The bus will depart from the Abingdon School Coach Park at 8.00am on Thursday 15 June. We will return to the Abingdon School Coach Park Abingdon Park about 5.00pm. Students may wish to bring money for additional refreshments.

The cost of the lunch and coach travel is expected to be in the region of £30 per person (depending on final numbers). The final cost would be added to your next end of term bill. The trip will be supervised by Mrs Zhang and another member of the MFL department at Abingdon. All standard risk assessment procedures will be carried out in advance.

Please indicate whether you are happy for your son to participate in this trip by completing the form accompanying this letter and returning it to Gao Zhang, Head of Chinese at Abingdon School by Friday 9 June. Very many thanks in advance for your assistance with this matter.

Yours sincerely

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