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Dear Parent/carer

Alternative Curriculum Day – Year 8 Enterprise & Art Activities Day.

On Thursday 20th October, all students at Fulford School will be participating in an Alternative Curriculum Day and year 8 will be taking part in two separate events:

1. An enterprise event - groups of students participate in a Stock Market Challenge trading game where they are given “virtual” funds of £100,000 to buy a portfolio of shares / currencies. The aim for each group is to maximise the value of their portfolio. Students can buy and sell shares / currencies just as a trader would but will need to react quickly to changes in share values as would occur in the real world. For example, the value of house builders’ shares may fall if it is announced that interest rates will rise in future. The winning team is the one who has the highest value of shares /currency at the end of the day. Students will gain an appreciation of work related skills from the event including teamwork, problem solving and numeracy as well as developing financial awareness required in the wider world of work.
2. Creative workshops - groups of students will work with professional practitioners from the creative industries. One workshop will be based around being an Architect and making large scale 3 dimensional structures, the second is based around sculpture and structure and is also a practical art-based workshop. Each workshop will provide the students with an insight into a creative profession whilst also providing the opportunity to be creative and produce their own work.

The whole of the year will be off normal timetable and participate in The Enterprise event one half of the day and Creative Workshops in the other. It promises to be an exciting, stimulating and valuable educational experience.

Under the terms of the Education Reform Act 1996 the school cannot make a direct charge for this event. We are however permitted to ask for voluntary contributions of £5. Please note we are unable to subsidise this event from other school funds. If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, simply return the reply slip below indicating this is the case.

All students have access to our extra-curricular activities and reasonable adjustments will be made to ensure each student’s full inclusion in this event. Please contact Mr Bodey, Deputy Headteacher, if you think that this may be needed for your child

Please kindly return the completed form below along with the required monies or cheque made payable to Fulford School Fund in an envelope labelled Year 8 Curriculum Day and return to the school office. Many thanks.

Yours faithfully, *G P Maloy*

Mr G Maloy

Tom Rigg

Mr T Rigg

Curriculum Leader Business and Economics

Curriculum Leader Art

Year 8 Alternative Curriculum Day - The Stock Market Challenge /Creative Industry workshops

NAME OF PUPILFORM.....

I enclose £5 cash/cheque* (*delete as appropriate)

Signed Parent/carer