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History and Creative Arts Trip: Thursday 12th November 2015

Dear Parents,

A cross-curricular History and Creative Arts trip has been planned for all Year 8 students. This links to a current study of 'Empire' in history and composition, improvisation, sketching, writing and performing in Creative Arts.

Visiting Hagia Sofia provides an excellent opportunity for our students to study the material culture of the Byzantine and Ottoman Empires. Here students will receive a number of History assignments exploring the mixed usage of the site and the chance to walk around the museum. Visual Art students (8B) and Drama students (8I) will then have the chance to sketch mosaics at the Mosaic Museum while Music students (8S) will visit the Basilica Cistern, another Byzantine structure to experience the acoustics through listening, vocal improvisations and sound recording activities.

The field trip is on Thursday 12th November 2015. Students leave school at 9.00 and return at 15.15. The school provides a packed lunch for the students.

On the day the students must wear correct school uniform, bring a small rucksack, a rain jacket and a water bottle. It is also required that students bring a digital camera, pencils, erasers, a ruler (at least 30 cm) and their sketchbooks. Students can bring a cloth or old towel to sit on as they will be more comfortable working on the cold stone floors.

Yours faithfully,

Amy Sozer, Lisa Mayer, Sophie Slav and Barbara Tanjala

