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Dear Parent/Carer

Key Stage 4 visit to Thailand: February 2027

It is with great excitement that I am writing to offer our **Key Stage 4 students** an incredible opportunity to participate in Wexham School's educational visit to **Thailand** during the **February 2027 half-term**.

Following a successful application to the **UK Government's Turing Scheme**, Wexham School has secured funding for **26 Key Stage 4 students** to take part in this unique international educational experience. The programme has been designed to develop students as confident global citizens by giving them the opportunity to experience a different culture, broaden their horizons, and develop the knowledge, skills and confidence that will support their future education, employment and personal development.

The programme is centred around:

Global citizenship, cultural understanding and sustainable communities.

Throughout the visit, students will explore how education, religion, sustainability and community partnerships contribute to improving people's lives across the world whilst developing resilience, independence, leadership, intercultural understanding and a greater appreciation of different cultures.

How is this trip funded?

This educational visit has been funded through the **UK Government's Turing Scheme**, which provides funding for schools to offer life-changing international opportunities. The scheme aims to widen participation by ensuring that all students, particularly those from disadvantaged and underrepresented backgrounds, have access to international experiences regardless of financial circumstances.

What will the visit involve?

Students will:

- Stay in hotel accommodation (sharing with students of the same gender).
- Spend three days working alongside students at **Wat Nuan Norrodit School** in Bangkok.
- Participate in collaborative classroom projects and cultural exchange activities.
- Visit Buddhist temples and experience Thai culture first-hand.
- Visit an ethical elephant sanctuary to explore conservation and sustainable tourism.
- Visit floating markets and other significant cultural and historical sites.
- Support a local Catholic orphanage through fundraising and community engagement.
- Complete curriculum-linked activities in Religious Studies, Geography and History
- Record the experience through photography and vlogging before presenting their learning to the wider school community on their return.



Who can apply?

All **Key Stage 4 students** are encouraged to apply. Students may apply by submitting either:

- A written application (maximum one side of A4), or
- A short video application.

The option to submit a video application has been introduced to ensure the selection process is inclusive and accessible for all students, particularly those with SEND, English as an Additional Language (EAL), or those who may find written communication more challenging.

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to attend a short interview with members of staff. Further information about the application process will be shared during registration sessions and published on **ClassCharts**.

The deadline for applications is Monday 21st September 2026.

Student Contribution

Whilst the educational visit is funded through the **UK Government's Turing Scheme**, students will be asked to make a **£50 contribution**. This will cover a Wexham School branded T-shirt, transport for cultural visits and tourist activities, and a donation to **Trees for Cities** in support of Wexham School's commitment to sustainability and responsible international travel.

Students should also budget for the cost of their own meals, entrance to the ethical elephant sanctuary, and any optional personal spending money.

Successful applicants will be expected to attend all pre-departure preparation sessions, participate fully in the programme, demonstrate exemplary behaviour as ambassadors for Wexham School, and share their learning with the wider school community following their return.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for students to broaden their horizons, develop lifelong skills and represent Wexham School on the international stage. We encourage all students who are enthusiastic, committed and willing to embrace new experiences to apply.

If you have any questions about the programme, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully



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