

DARWEN VALE HIGH SCHOOL

An Aldridge Community Academy 

June 2024

Dear parent/carer

To celebrate students' positive behaviour and attendance throughout the Summer Term, we will be offering end of term rewards trips in the afternoon of **Wednesday 17th July 2024**.

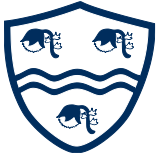
The table below details the places available, cost, times, and details of each trip:

Trip	Places available	Timings	Cost	Notes
Blackpool Pleasure Beach	500	8:30am – 3:30pm (expected)	£35	Suitable own clothes required. Snack outlets will be open to purchase food and drink. Packed lunches are permitted for any students wishing to bring a packed lunch. Blackpool Pleasure Beach Limited operates a cashless Amusement Park, and therefore it has introduced, for its guests who do not have a credit or debit card, a pre-paid card product ("the Card"), and there are terms and conditions apply to its purchase and use which can be found on their website.
Blackpool Zoo	24	8:30 – 3:00pm (expected)	£15	Suitable own clothes required. Snack outlets will be open to purchase food and drink. Packed lunches are permitted for any students wishing to bring a packed lunch.
The Trafford Centre Years 8 – 10 only	100	8:30 – 3:00pm (expected)	£16	Suitable own clothes required. Snack outlets will be open to purchase food and drink. Packed lunches are permitted for any students wishing to bring a packed lunch.

The availability to book and pay for your child's place on the trip will depend on their behaviour and attendance this term (from Easter 2024) and this is detailed below and has been updated following parental feedback at our parent forum. Please note the next Parental Forum is on Tuesday 25th June from 6:00pm and **all parents** are invited to attend.

- Gold students can access the trips on Parent Pay on **Wednesday 3rd July from 3:30pm**
 - Zero negatives
 - **95% attendance or above (authorised absence will not count as absence)**
- Silver students can access the trips on Parent Pay on **Friday 5th July from 3:30pm**
 - -1 to -50 negatives
 - **95% attendance or above (authorised absence will not count as absence)**
- Bronze students can access the trips on Parent Pay on **Monday 8th July from 3:30pm**
 - Everyone else





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You will be advised of which category your child has qualified for via email and their points and attendance will be taken up until **Friday 28th June** as the cut off.

All students attending a trip are permitted to be in **suitable own clothes** and are expected to arrive to school for the slightly earlier time of 8:15am, they will then depart on their trip at the allocated time stated above and will be dismissed from school upon their return. Please note that this may be earlier than the usual school dismissal of 3:00pm.

If your child needs to wait for a sibling/until the end of the school day for whatever reason please ensure you are emailing Miss Bridges on rebecca.bridges@darwenvale.com to advise, so that we can adequately supervise these students until 3:00pm.

If your child is attending a trip and is in receipt of Free School Meals, they can order a “grab bag” through their form tutor and this will be ready for them ahead of their departure. Please see our [Parent A-Z](#) to email your child’s form tutor for more information on ordering a “grab bag”. The deadline to order a grab bag will be **Friday 12th July**.

Students who are not attending a trip will be expected to be in full school uniform, to arrive at the normal time of 8:30am and will be attending lessons as normal until a 3:00pm dismissal. It is a legal requirement to ensure that your child attends school and any absence on this day will be unauthorised.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child’s Head of Year on the below email addresses:

Mr Smith Year 7 – adam.smith@darwenvale.com
Miss Wood Year 8 – zoe.wood@darwenvale.com
Mrs McKenna Year 9 – Claire.Mckenna@darwenvale.com
Miss Bridges Year 10 – Rebecca.bridges@darwenvale.com

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Miss Bridges
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