

Trips

Thornleigh Sixth Form presents many fantastic opportunities for you to learn outside the classroom, experience different cultures and enrich your understanding of your curriculum subjects.

Shrewsbury Prison

Our Social Science trip to Shrewsbury Prison provides students with a truly unique insight into prison life. Shrewsbury Prison is a decommissioned Victorian prison and is now a multi-purpose tourist attraction, delivering heritage tours, high impact events and educational programmes. During the trip students will be given a comprehensive tour of the prison, including the prison cells, segregation units, the healthcare unit and the execution room. They will also be given the opportunity to have topical discussions with experienced prison officers. Students will experience what it is like to be processed into a prison and will complete a team 'cell escape' activity which will encourage working collaboratively with their peers. Interesting fact... The BBC prison drama 'Time' was filmed at Shrewsbury Prison!

Army Visit and Residential Trip

Sixth Form students will participate in a number of team building activities delivered by Soldiers from the Army Outreach Team. The activities included ravine crossing, map reading tasks and bridge-building activities, designed to develop team-work and resilience as well as giving those interested in a career in the Army a taste of Army life. Our students will also have the unique opportunity to attend a free Army Work Experience programme at an Army barracks during the spring and summer months.



What one of our Year 13 students had to say about the Army residential trip:

"The Army residential was a great experience where we got a full picture of life in the Army. Throughout the week we spent time engaging in activities vital for life in the Army such as cooking in the field, how to march and how to apply first aid and camouflage. My favourite bit was when we got to traverse a full army assault course at the end of the week. This experience showed me a good representation of what Army life is like and exceeded my expectations. We also learnt key leadership skills like resilience and communication as we had to manage our teams for the week. There is another residential in April and I recommend it to anyone who is interested in the military".

Chester Zoo

As the weather gets warmer and brighter, Sixth Formers will be invited on a trip to Chester Zoo. Students will attend a workshop delivered by an ethologist on primate behaviour and they will have the chance to develop their knowledge of non-human species and apply their theoretical knowledge to a practical setting. Students will also have free time to fully explore the zoo animals!

Safe Drive Stay Alive Trip

Our Year 12 students listened so attentively to such a powerful and emotive message delivered by Safe Drive Greater Manchester and their incredible guest speakers this month. Safe Drive Stay Alive is a road safety initiative that aims to empower young drivers to make safe driving choices. We are very thankful for being invited to such an important event and look forward to future visits.

Liverpool Museum Trip

Attend a Wednesday afternoon trip to the Liverpool Docks to visit The Tate Art Gallery, The International Museum of Slavery and The Liverpool Museum.

Social Science Day at the University of Central Lancashire

Our Year 12 students took part in a Psychology enrichment day at UCLAN in January. Students experienced a full actioned packed day of learning, including gaining insight into the human memory, understanding what aids recall, the uniqueness of eyewitness testimony and evolving suspects' faces with specialised EvoFIT software. There are lots of routes into Psychology and this enrichment day helped support students to discover all the opportunities open to them within this diverse field.

The University of Manchester and Bolton University

Many of our Year 12 and Year 13 students have attended open days and campus tours at Manchester and Bolton university this year. This provided students with the opportunity to find out more about what the universities have to offer in addition to getting a feel for university life and campus living. The tours and visits were led by Student Ambassadors.

Theatre Trips

Students have watched live matinee shows of the popular musicals Blood Brothers and The Lion King this year. The purpose of such trips is to offer a cultural experience for students and to present them with the unique opportunity to appreciate a live performance of award-winning productions.

Vienna

Social Science students will have the opportunity to go on an exciting trip to Vienna, Austria during the Easter term. The trip presents a unique enrichment and cultural opportunity for students, enabling them to complement their studies whilst also experiencing a new and exciting culture. Visits and activities include the Museum of Natural History, Vienna Zoo, a guided tour of the Jewish Museum and Judenplatz Memorial, Narrenturm Anatomical-Pathological Museum, Freud Museum, Prater Park and an Imperial Tour at Schonbrunn Palace.

Parliament Trip

A Level History students will have the opportunity to attend a trip to the Houses of Parliament in London. Students will go on a tour of Parliament which will enable them to see inside one of the world's most famous buildings and find out about the work of UK Parliament.

The Anderton Centre

Year 12 students will attend a full day trip at the extremely popular Anderton Centre, located on the banks of Lower Rivington Reservoir during Futures Week in the summer term. The objective of the trip is to provide students with opportunities to have fun while taking part in adventurous land and water activities designed to help them learn and develop new skills and really shine as an individual and as part of a team. Anderton Centre staff and Thornleigh staff will be on hand throughout the day to encourage and supervise students during their scheduled activities. .