



# St Edward's School

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## Y9 Kintbury Trip May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I wrote to you before Christmas to make you aware of the Y9 Kintbury Retreat we offer, and I am pleased to say that it remains highly popular with over 70 students signing up. However, we do still have a limited number of places left so have extended the deadline for these to allow as many students as possible to attend if they wish. Below are the details I shared in my previous letter.

The 'Kintbury Experience' is a retreat to St. Cassian's Centre in Kintbury, Hungerford. Those who attend will participate in a carefully planned programme, which includes prayer together, discussion groups, music, games and creative activities. There is also a football pitch, sports equipment, beautiful grounds and plenty of opportunities to spend quality time with new and old friends. Students are now also able to challenge themselves by taking part in outdoor archery, low ropes and traversing wall activities and using the new multi-sports area.

I have seen lives changed for the better every time I have taken students there. In fact, inspired by their visits, a number of students have gone on to join the team at Kintbury when they left St Edward's.

We would like to commit ourselves to the principle that every child will be offered an experience of a residential retreat at least once during their time at St Edward's. To this end we are proposing to offer all Year 9 students this opportunity in May 2024 by running three 24 hour retreats for 60 students at a time. Any students who do not attend the residential retreat will take part in a retreat experience at one of our local churches.

The cost of the retreat will be **£65**. To secure a place, please pay a deposit of **£15** via Wisepay by **18<sup>th</sup> February 2024**. The deadline for final payments is **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2024**. Financial assistance will be available to those in receipt of pupil premium funding.

We would be grateful if all families could let us know their intention by completing this short form: <https://forms.office.com/e/kV55e2Bdbw>

Yours sincerely,

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