



HECKMONDWIKE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

RNO/TCC

11 September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 12 and 13 educational visit to Parliament

We have arranged for our Year 12 and 13 students to have the opportunity to travel to Parliament to explore the contemporary operation and history of the UK parliament and wider government centre. The visit will include a tour of the Houses of Parliament and either a workshop or film, followed by a walking tour incorporating London's most important seats of royal and political power. This trip is open to all year 12 and 13 students but will be of particular interest for students studying A-Level History or Politics.

The visit is on Wednesday 14 October 2026. We will travel by hired coach to Parliament (Westminster) meeting at North Street Heckmondwike at 05.45am, in time for a prompt departure at 06.00am. We shall be setting off back from Parliament (Westminster) at approximately 3.30pm and therefore expect to return to school at approximately 8.30pm, dependent on traffic. Students are strongly advised to bring their mobile phones so that they can update parents/carers on the estimated time of arrival back at school.

Students should bring a packed lunch and a bottle of water and any routine medication which they usually carry, for example inhalers.

May I take this opportunity to remind parents that students are expected to display the very highest standards of behaviour and courtesy. In the event of your needing to contact me on the day, I am available on the school mobile number 07714387810.

Under the School Governors' [Charging and Remissions Policy](#), we request a contribution of £17.00 towards the cost of this activity. This includes the admission, travel and insurance. We must mention that without sufficient funding the trip will be unable to take place. In the event that we are oversubscribed, places will be offered to initially to students studying History or Politics.

The total cost of the trip is to be paid on ParentPay by Thursday 24 September 2026. When you make payment via ParentPay you will be prompted to provide parental consent for your child to attend this trip and you will also be asked to input your contact/medical details directly into a confidential section of ParentPay.

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If you have any further questions, please contact me, roxby@heckgrammar.co.uk or Mrs Whitelaw, jwhitelaw@heckgrammar.co.uk.

Yours faithfully,

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