



# Blackfen School for Girls

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## DISCOVER 2024 – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2026, Southend Adventure Island £25

As part of the Discover 2024 programme for KS3 students, your child has been selected to attend the trip to Southend Adventure Island on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2026.

Students are not required to wear school uniform for the trip, but should ensure they are dressed appropriately (i.e. no shorts above mid-thigh/ripped jeans or crop tops and no false nails or lashes). If students decide to bring electrical items with them, the school will not take any responsibility if anything is lost or damaged during the trip.

### Activities on the day

Students will spend the day enjoying the thrills of Adventure Island, the seaside adventure park in Southend. There are rides and games for young people of all ages and appetites, and with the Adventure Island wristband the students will have unlimited access to these rides. The day will finish with a sandcastle making competition on the beach.

### Transport

Students and staff will travel from (and return to) the school by coach to the Southend sea front, Essex.

### Timings of the trip

Students are expected to meet school staff in the **Performance Space by 8.45am**. They will receive a short safety and expectations briefing before being escorted to the coach. Students and staff will return to school by 3.30pm (traffic permitting) and will be dismissed from the school.

### Cost of the trip

The cost of the visit will be £25 which includes coach travel and wristbands for Adventure Island. The deadline for payment is **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2026**. Payments can be made in instalments by selecting the 'Pay my own amount' option on Wisepay. We are now a cashless school, so payments must therefore be made via Wisepay (our on-line payment portal). You can access our school payment system by:

- Wisepay website – Please visit [Wisepay.co.uk](http://Wisepay.co.uk) and enter Blackfen School for Girls in the Parent Log in Area.
- Wisepay App for mobile phones - This is available for parents to download. Please note the Blackfen organisation code to download the App is 66447546. All this information can be found on our school website ([blackfenschoolforgirls.co.uk](http://blackfenschoolforgirls.co.uk)).

*Pupil premium funding can be made available for eligible students to support participation. To access this, please contact the school via email to [finance@blackfen.bexley.sch.uk](mailto:finance@blackfen.bexley.sch.uk) so that help may be offered. A small contribution to the cost of the trip will be expected.*



*In cases of financial hardship, please contact the school via email to [finance@blackfen.bexley.sch.uk](mailto:finance@blackfen.bexley.sch.uk), so that help may be offered. Even if help is provided, a contribution towards the cost of the trip will be expected.*

All monies paid for the Discover Activities are non-refundable. This is because we must pay for the venues, providers, equipment etc. in advance. Your child's participation in any activities is at the school's discretion and decisions to revoke places on activities may be made on the basis of poor behaviour and with consideration of safeguarding risk-both to your child and to other participants and staff.

What students are required to bring for the day:

- A packed lunch
- **A bottle of water**
- Clothes/shoes suitable for walking and rides (trainers/converse)
- Sun screen
- A hat
- A fully charged mobile phone that is capable of making calls (has credit)

### **Medication**

Specific medical conditions will be advised to me as the trip leader prior to your child attending, however if you wish to discuss this further, please contact me on the school number 0208 303 1887.

Having read and understood all the information about this trip, and by paying the sum of £25.00 via Wisepay, you have agreed for your child to take part in all activities outlined. The school will continue to use all medical and contact information that you provided upon admission for this activity/trip if and where required.

If you have any queries in connection with this visit, please contact me as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

**Ms A Donovan**  
**Southend Adventure Island Trip Leader**  
**Head of Year 10**