



6 June 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Our place in the Young Citizens' Regional Finals of Magistrates Court Mock Trial Competition has been confirmed as Saturday 14 June at Croydon Crown Court, London. This event will involve competing against other schools in the south east region over two rounds. Your son/daughter has been putting a great amount of effort into preparing for this competition, and I hope they are very excited about this opportunity. The details are as follows:

Venue and Transport

The venue is Croydon Crown Court, Altyre Road, Croydon, CR9 5AB. As this is a significant distance to travel, the most cost effective option is by train. **We will meet at Aylesbury Station (not Aylesbury Vale Parkway) at 7.00am** to take the train in to London. We will then travel a short distance on the tube before taking the train from Victoria to East Croydon where there is a short walk to the venue. We will be back at Aylesbury Station at approximately 5.30pm.

Refreshments

All students will need to bring a drink, packed lunch and snacks. Please remember that we are a nut free school.

Security

As this is a functioning Courthouse, all students will go through security checks and security levels are high. Therefore, students should ensure that their pencil cases do not include scissors or compasses, and that any drinks they use come in plastic bottles or reusable cups. Students are also not allowed to carry anything made of glass, including mirrors, containers and perfumes. Bags should be as small as possible as they will be thoroughly searched. Please refer to www.gov.uk/entering-court-or-tribunal-building for the full list of prohibited items.

Timetable*

09:15 - 09:45 Teams arrive
09:45 - 10:00 Welcome and housekeeping matters
10:00 - 11:15 Round 1
11:15 - 11:30 Break
11:30 - 12:45 Round 2
12:45 - 13:45 Lunch
13:45 - 15:00 Round 3
15:00 - 15:15 Break (while the scores are checked)
15:15 - 15:45 Certificates to all participants and winning team announced

*If there is any reason why the timetable for the day has to be adjusted and the finishing time adjusted, the students will be asked to communicate this to you themselves. Because of this, it is **essential that the students have their phones on them, fully charged, but on silent for the duration of the competition.**

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Photo Consent

Both Young Citizens and HM Courts and Tribunals Service would like to take photographs at the event, capturing the students in action. Parents or carers must consent to this taking place. I will send home paper copies of the consent form with students; please return these to school by Wednesday 11 June.

Cost and Parental Consent

The cost of this visit is £15, payable on ParentPay by 11 June, please. This is to cover the cost of travel and school journey insurance. We do not want to exclude any student from the visit. If finances are a barrier to your child participating in this visit please contact me or Mrs Ewart.

By making payment you agree that:

- your son/daughter may take part in this visit and you understand that he/she will be expected to comply with the School Behaviour Policy both whilst travelling and during the visit;
- you will inform the school of any changes to your son/daughter's medical conditions, emergency contact numbers or any other information that you have already supplied to the school;
- your son/daughter receiving first aid and emergency treatment during the school day, on day trips, sporting fixtures and residential trips. This consent will be valid for the time your son/ daughter is a pupil at Waddesdon Church of England unless you inform us otherwise.

Staffing and Contacts

Mrs Piosek and I will accompany the students for the day. In case of any emergency, please use one of the following numbers:

Mrs Hull:	07561 846549	School emergency contact 1:	07519 329307
Mrs Piosek:	07749 392411	School emergency contact 2:	07598 781384

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us at the school.

Yours faithfully

Vicki Hull

Advanced Learner Lead