

## **2015-2016 Walker Valley Mustang Band and Choir London Trip Sample Itinerary**

The following itinerary is from the 2012-2013 London Trip. This sample will just give you an idea of what our schedule will be like. The time and sights that were on the previous trip may not apply to our trip.

*Passengers on international flights must arrive 4 hours before their flight. With this being said, times will vary depending on our first departure. We may be on 2 -5 separate airplanes. Each airplane will have a director in charge.*

On January 28, our departure date, our sample schedule will look like this:

### **9:00am Arrive at Walker Valley High School**

#### **During this time we will make sure all passengers:**

- 1)** are present and accounted for.
- 2)** have their signed passport.
- 3)** band/Choir students have what they need for the New Year's Day Parade. Smaller instruments must be packed in individual luggage.
- 4)** check in luggage is correct size and weight.
- 5)** have placed proper identification tags on check in and carry on luggage.
- 6)** are assigned to a designated group to make sure everyone is accounted for while going to the Atlanta Airport, in the Atlanta Airport, boarding and departing our airplane and through customs either at Gatwick or Heathrow Airport.

### **10:30-11:00am Depart for Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport**

We will travel to Atlanta Airport via charter buses.

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## On the plane:

1) The trip over is approximately 8 hours over and 9 hours back depending on the trade winds.

2) On the way over you will be fed: a snack, supper, and breakfast. You can also buy snacks on the plane.

3) For your entertainment there is a touch screen monitor that you can watch movies, TV shows, documentaries, play games, and listen to music. There is also a flight map that you can watch the progression of our flight and flight data that you can see the flight speed, altitude of the plane, temperature outside the plane, estimated time of arrival, etc.

4) Get some sleep!

## Arrival in the United Kingdom:

1) After we go through customs and take a charter bus to our hotel (London Hilton Metropole) you will have free time to start exploring London. Before groups are allowed to leave on free time, everyone will be accounted for and students will need to tell Mr. Hunt what adult they will be with. The adult leader of the group must be present!

2) You cannot go to sleep! You must stay up and only go to bed after our evening meal and meeting. This will be hard but it is the only way to get used to European time.

## Words, in the sample itinerary, you may not understand:

Luxury motor coach

Charter bus

Oyster card

Preloaded card for travel on the underground

Blue Badge guide

Our personal tour guides

Unstructured time/at leisure

Free time or on your own

Vouchers

Meal tickets to be used at designated restaurants

You may also see some words that look like they have been spelled wrong.

“No worries” as they say in England, they just spell some words differently than we do here in “The States”!

