Harlaxton Alumni Trip
Packing and Other Fun Facts

Laundry: You will have access to the coin operated laundry facilities at the Manor. You will need to provide your own laundry detergent, but this will be on sale from Reception. Saturday morning in Grantham there will be an opportunity to pick up items that you might need.

Computers: You will have access to the computer lab at the Manor. You will be given your own password to get onto Harlaxton’s network so you can access the internet. Harlaxton is wireless also – thanks to a kind gift from Alan and Sharon Braun.

Phones: There are pay phones at Harlaxton that you can use. The cost of an international phone call is still high. You may want to check with your cell phone carrier to see the rates to activate your phone for international use. Also be sure to clarify if they charge you for calls you receive. Another suggestion from Harlaxton veterans is to look into the Skype app for your smart phone. You can also purchase cheap cell phones in Grantham for around £15.00 which include £10.00 credit for call charges – this often works out cheaper than using your own phone in the UK.

Money: The manor now has its own ATM, so if you need extra cash it’s very convenient.

Clocks and Radios: You can check these out from the Student Development Office (SDO) for your use while at the Manor.

Hairdryers: You can purchase inexpensive travel hair dryers in Grantham. Electrical adaptors are available for purchase at the Manor.

Bedding/Towels: Bedding is provided. You'll also have one towel and small soap per person in your room. You may want to bring your own soap and a few wash cloths with you. These are not provided.

Meals Provided: Breakfast will be served in the refectory each morning. A sack lunch will be provided for each of the day trips. Most evening meals are provided with the exception of The Gregory Arms on Sunday. This meal is at your own expense. If you choose to make other arrangements for other meals, this will be at your own expense. Wednesday is a free day, but meals are available at the Manor. Please let Sylvia know in advance if you plan to eat at the Manor that day or inform Beth once you’re there.

Attire for the Trip: The day trips require a lot of walking, so comfort is your number one concern when packing. Comfortable walking shoes are a must. The weather in early July is unpredictable. Last year was one of the wettest July’s on record, but when it is hot, there is very little air conditioning in the UK. Keep an eye on the Weather Channel (www.weather.com) as you pack. Layers that can take you from one extreme to the other are recommended. You always need a rain jacket in England.

For the BBQ and Farewell Banquet, you may want a nicer outfit. Dress slacks and a polo shirt would be fine for men – no jackets are required. Women may want a casual dress or pants outfit.