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Dear Parents and Carers,

YEAR 5/6 TRIP TO LONDON – TUESDAY 4TH / THURSDAY 6TH JULY 2017

On Tuesday 4th and Thursday 6th July 2017, Years 5 and 6 will be visiting London for the day to learn more about the history of the UK and its capital city. This trip will link to our London topic in the second half of the summer term and will link to much of the children's work. We will be splitting 5E into two groups to keep the numbers even. 6L and half of 5E will be visiting on Tuesday 4th July, with 5S and the second half of 5E visiting on Thursday 6th July. We have a packed day planned for the children, which will be full of exciting and educational experiences.

«Forename» will be going on this trip on «Date».

Travel between school and London will be by coach, **so we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £30.00**, which will include travel, insurance, museum admission/workshops and an ice-cream. Our preferred method of payment is ParentPay; alternatively, please send a cheque or cash into school. We are mindful that we also have the deposit payment for the residential trip to Swanage (Year 5 only) coming up, which we expect to be no more than £30. *If you are finding it difficult to make a contribution, please speak in confidence to a member of staff in the office or your child's teacher, and we will endeavour to find a solution. The William Edwards Educational Trust exists to enable all children to access curriculum activities. If cost is likely to be an issue in your decision making for either London or Swanage, we would encourage you to make an application for funding to the Edwards Trust and would be happy to assist you with this. Applications from St John's parents have been looked upon favourably in the past. Please speak to the office for further information.*

The children will need to arrive at school no later than 7.45am to ensure that we are ready to leave school at 8.00am. We should arrive back at school at approximately 6.00pm, traffic permitting. We will keep you informed if there are any changes to this time on the day. **The children will need to bring a packed lunch with them plus snacks and drinks (no fizzy drinks please).** It would be helpful if children could carry their lunch and snacks in a comfortable backpack please. Please try to ensure that lunch packaging is disposable so that we can throw it away after lunch. **If you are entitled to free school meals and would like your child to have a school packed lunch, please indicate this on the attached reply slip.** Please note that your child will still need to bring snacks and drinks in addition to the lunch provided by school.

Children should wear their school uniform please, along with comfortable shoes suitable for walking around London for the day. They should bring a waterproof jacket or sunhat and sun cream as appropriate depending on the weather.

The utmost care will be taken to keep the children safe during this trip. The children will all be wearing wristbands with the school's main telephone number and mobile number, which will be held by one of the teachers on the trip. We will not be using the underground at any point and will be walking or travelling by water bus to any locations we visit. There will be a ratio of one adult to every eight children on the trip, so every child will be assigned a leader for the day. In addition to this, Mr Barrow will be accompanying the children on both trips.

Itinerary

- 7.45am Children arrive at school
- 8.00am Coach leaves school
- 10.00am approx Arrive in London
- am Visit London Docklands Museum
- 12.00pm Catch the water bus from Canary Wharf to Embankment
- 12.30pm approx Stop for lunch in St James' Park
- pm Walk past some iconic landmarks (Big Ben, Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace and more!)
- pm Ice-cream stop
- pm Visit the Science Museum (Robotics workshop)
- 4.00pm Coach to pick us up from the Science Museum
- 6.00pm approx Arrive back at school

We are happy for children to bring a disposable camera if they would like to - please ensure that it is named. Please note that we will not be allowing the children to bring anything electronic with them on the trip, e.g. MP3 players, mobile phones, digital cameras, handheld games consoles.

We would appreciate some parent helpers. If you would like to accompany us on the trip and have a current DBS certificate, please indicate this below or speak to the office.

Many thanks,

Miss Eggleton, Mr Lee and Mr Sharp



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Name of child: «Forename» «Surname»

Class: «Reg»

- I give permission for «Forename» to visit London on «Date»
- I enclose a voluntary contribution of £30.00 (cash or cheque payable to St John's Primary School)
- I have paid via ParentPay
- My child is entitled to free school meals – please provide a school packed lunch
- I am able to help on this trip
- I would like more information on making an application to the Edwards Trust

Signed: Date:

