

7th November 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

Educational Visit – British Values: Ancient and Modern

I am pleased to inform you that your child has been selected to take part in a special enrichment educational visit to the Houses of Parliament and The Tate Modern Art Gallery in London on Monday 28th November 2016.

The first part of the day will focus on a popular modern British institution The Tate Modern on the South Bank of the River Thames. It is regarded by many as Britain's most important gallery of international modern art. There will be a guided tour by staff and we also hope to visit the viewing gallery which has amazing views over towards St Paul's Cathedral. We will then take a 45 minute walk along the South Bank itself in which the pupils will see many of the iconic modern and ancient sights of London. If time permits we will stop on The Golden Jubilee Bridge to take in the incredible view over the River Thames towards the City of London.

After lunch we will focus on the ancient British institution, The Houses of Parliament. After passing through strict security control we will start with an awe-inspiring tour of the Palace of Westminster which will help to introduce the concept of democracy to our pupils. As the Palace is the home of our working parliament, we cannot be totally sure what we will see but it might include:

- The House of Commons or House of Lords chambers
- A visit to the public gallery to observe the MPs or Lords working
- Westminster Hall, the last remaining part of the original Palace
- Central Lobby, at the very heart of the parliamentary building.

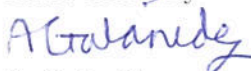
After the tour, there will be a special session run just for Edwinstree pupils by the parliamentary education department. We expect this to cover the topics of elections and voting, in which pupils will be divided into teams, create their own manifestos and then hold an election using a real ballot box.

There will be a 45 minute walk between the two parts of the visit as well as considerable walking at the two venues. It is therefore particularly important that children wear sensible school shoes. Normal school uniform will also be required. For this visit the children will also need to bring a packed lunch - no glass bottles, sweets or crisps please. The children will need to carry all items including their packed-lunch so it is recommended that a small back-pack is used. For your child's safety and security reasons electrical items, including mobile phones and computer games, may not be brought on the visit and no money is required. Please ensure that all medication, including travel sickness tablets, is provided and labelled with your child's name. If your child does require medication please complete the MED1 form attached.

The ESA have kindly subsidised this visit and after the subsidy the cost is £15 per pupil. This is a voluntary contribution, however if insufficient funds are received the visit will not take place. Payment can be made by cash in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name or via the School Gateway. Please kindly complete the attached form by Thursday 10th November 2016 in order for your child to attend.

We will travel to London by coach and on the day of the visit pupils must arrive at Edwinstree by 7:50am prompt. We anticipate returning to school by 5:45pm traffic permitting.

Yours sincerely



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REPLY SLIP – please return by Thursday 10th November 2016

ENRICHMENT EDUCATIONAL VISIT TO THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT

Monday 28th November 2016

Name.....Tutor Group.....

I consent to my child taking part in the educational visit to the Houses of Parliament on Monday 28th November 2016. I accept that no mobile devices are permitted on an educational visit.

- I will collect my child from school My child will walk home from school
- I enclose £15 cash
- I have paid £15 via the school Gateway

I consent to any emergency treatment, including the use of anaesthetics, necessary during the course of the event. In case of an emergency during this event, please contact:

Name.....

Relationship.....

Contact Tel Number (during this event).....

Signed (Parent/Carer).....Date.....

REQUEST FOR SCHOOL TO ADMINISTER MEDICATION

Medication will not be administered unless prescribed by a doctor and all medication must be in the original container. Antibiotics will only be administered by school staff if it is prescribed to be taken 4 times a day.

DETAILS OF PUPIL

Surname:

Forename(s)

Address M/F

..... DOB

..... Tutor Group

Condition or illness.....

MEDICATION

Name/Type of Medication
(as described on the container)

For how long will your child take this medication

Date Dispensed

FULL DIRECTIONS FOR USE:

Dosage and Method

Timing.....

Special Precautions

Side Effects:

Self Administration.....

Procedures to take in an Emergency

CONTACT DETAILS:

Name:..... Daytime Telephone No.....

Relationship to Pupil:.....

Address:

I understand that I must deliver the medicine personally (agreed member of staff) and accept that this is a service which the school is not obliged to undertake.

Date:Signature(s).....

Relationship to pupil:.....