



Wednesday 9th September 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have many exciting events happening this year that should make learning great fun for the children. In order to keep all of this well organised for home and for school this letter should detail all out of school trips and visitors for which we require a financial contribution this year. Please note that other unforeseen events may be added (this would be for only a small fee) and that this payment plan does not include swimming fees.

School trips:

Swanage, Dorset – 3 day and 2 night residential trip from Wednesday 20th January - Friday 22nd January 2016.

The cost of this trip includes coach transport, accommodation at The Townsend Centre, food and all of the activities led by experienced guides that take place across three days. The full itinerary for this year is not set yet but will likely include: low ropes, forest school, a visit to Corfe Castle, team building, orienteering and a trip to the beach. The trip is a wonderful experience and allows children to develop confidence and independence.

Science Museum – Monday 16th November 2016

The cost of this trip includes coach travel, museum entry, an interview with an astronaut and a space film at the Imax.

Bough Beech Reservoir – Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th June 2016 (45 children each day)

The cost of this trip covers coach travel to and from the reservoir where children will learn about the water cycle and how water makes it from a river into our homes.

In school activities:

Play in a day – Ancient Egyptians May 2016

Both of these events involve the children taking part in a performance around their history topic. They rehearse in the morning and perform to the year group in the afternoon. This experience immerses children in history and is always fun.

Electric Lego City – Spring term

Children spend a half day building their own city out of Lego and lighting it up. This is an excellent science and design/technology experience that builds on the work they did in Year 3.

Visit to a Hindu Temple – TBC – Summer Term

Children will spend half a day looking at the temple and learning about Hindu beliefs and practices.

Other Expenses

This year children will have the opportunity to learn the recorder in music lessons and to bake bread in DT. We ask for a contribution of £2.50 and £1 respectively to cover costs of equipment.

For all events a letter/permission slip will be sent out explaining in more detail what children are required to bring and timings. For the residential trip to Dorset a parent information meeting will be held in January. Any preliminary questions can be answered via email or in person. Do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any concerns.

The full price of all of these events is £190. There are a variety of options for payment. Please complete the form on the following page and return it to school with your initial payment (unless paying on Tucasi) as soon as possible. We would like all children to be able to benefit from all of these extended educational experiences. If, for any reason, you feel it would be difficult for your child to attend please contact Mrs Lewis or Mrs Woodward who will discuss options available to you. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at amance@st-marys-oxted.surrey.sch.uk or contact the school office to make an appointment.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A. Mance
Year 5 Co-ordinator

At St Mary's, everyone is supported, challenged and secure in a caring Christian environment



Year 5 School trips form

I wish for my child _____ to take part in the school residential trip to Dorset.

Payment plan: (please tick)

___ Option 1: Deposit of £40 and five further payments of £30 due at the start of each month (pay by Tucasi, cheque or cash)

___ Option 2: Deposit of £90 and another payment of £100 in November (pay by Tucasi, cheque or cash)

___ Option 3: Full payment of £190 (pay by Tucasi, cheque or cash)

My child _____ does not wish to take part in the residential trip but I enclose £50 to cover the cost of all other trips and events.

Signed: _____

***If you wish to discuss a different option for payment please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Mance, Mrs Lewis or Mrs Woodward.

Please return to your child's class teacher.