

Wednesday 4th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

We are pleased to share more information about the upcoming trip to **London** for our year 5 pupils on **Monday 7th July 2025**. This term the children are learning about the Gunpowder plot in history and famous landmarks in geography. To support their understanding we will be visiting London following this itinerary:

- **7:00am- Children arrive at school** and enter through the main office.
- **7:15am Bus departs Cloudside (We must leave promptly otherwise we will be stuck in significant traffic)**
- **10:30am/11:00am (depending on traffic)- Arrive in London and enter the Tower of London**
- **Tour the grounds of the Tower of London**
- **12:00pm Puffins Tower of London stories from the Tower workshop**
- **12:00pm Finches have lunch at Zizzi's**
- **1:30pm- Finches Tower of London stories from the Tower workshop**
- **1:00pm- Puffins have lunch at Zizzi's**
- **2:30pm- All children board the Thames Clipper and travel to the Houses of Parliament**
- **3:00pm- Walking tour to see Big Ben and the House of Parliament, Buckingham Palace, walk down the Mall to reach Admiralty Arch and walk back to the Thames (tourist information centre) to see the London Eye across the river**
- **Toilets**
- **5:00pm- Bus departs London**
- **7:30pm- 8pm Bus back at Cloudside approx.**

Pupils will be supervised at all times.

To make the most of the day, the bus will be leaving school at **7:15am** promptly as we want the pupils to experience a full day in London and because of this we will aim to arrive **back at school for 8pm**.

As always we will update you via text so please remember to update your telephone number with the school office.

Food arrangements for the day:

- **8:30am – Morning snack of Breakfast and fruit** *(provided by school)*
- **12:00pm/ 1pm – Lunch, a hot lunch will be provided at Zizzi's** *(provided by school- you can sign up for what you would like your child to have via the Google form link sent to you. We will follow medical and dietary requirements that we hold within school. If these have changed, please inform Miss Griffiths. We will ensure that this is shared with Zizzi's on arrival)*
- **3pm – Mid afternoon snack, biscuits, fruit and a drink** *(provided by school)*
- **5pm – Packed Lunch Tea. Please provide a packed lunch for teatime.**

(If your child is normally provided with a free school meal a packed lunch tea will be provided by school)

Children can bring a water bottle. We recommend that the children bring a light rucksack that they can carry a drink and food. Bags can be left securely on the bus in preparation for the children to eat on the return to school.

Clothing requirements for the day:

- **We would like the children in their full school uniform with trainers/ comfortable shoes that they can walk a distance in.**
- The children will require a waterproof coat in case of a downpour
- **All bags** (including lunch bags) **will remain on the coach.**

All food, water and snacks provided will be carried by the teachers

The children **MUST NOT** bring any electronic items, including mobile phones as they are not needed on the visit. All children will need to be collected from the coach drop off at the front of school, where class teachers will make sure that children are passed into the safe care of their adult. Due to the time of arrival back to school, no children will be permitted to walk home alone.

For the bus journey, the children can bring a book or pencil and pen but they must take responsibility for their belongings. No spending money will be required on the day

If you have not already done so, can I please remind you to give permission for your child to attend the trip on the Gateway App. To help with payment, the **£40 can be paid in smaller amounts** on the Gateway App. We know that the children are going to love this experience and it will benefit their understanding of their Geography and History units this term.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with class teachers. Please be reassured that I will be attending and leading the trip to London alongside Miss Orchard and Mrs Meggison.

Kind regards



Miss Jodie Milson
Head of School