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23rd January 2020

Y5 & 6 London Federation visit
12th - 13th February, 2020

Dear Parents,

Please find below final details concerning our forthcoming visit to London.

Accompanying adults

Mrs Snodgrass (Visit Leader)
Mrs Dixon
Ms Palliser
Miss Copperthwaite
Mrs Walker
Mrs Palmer
Mr Palmer

Accommodation

We shall be staying at YHA Thameside Youth Hostel.
Accommodation is in single-sex dormitories. Bedding is provided but children will need their own towel.

YHA London Thameside
20 Salter Road
London
SE16 5PR
Tel: 0345 371 9756

Food

All meals with the exception of breakfast & lunch on the first day are included in the price. You will need to supply a packed lunch for the first day. Please also include extra snacks for breakfast



(packed separately so children keep their lunch for when we reach London) as we will be leaving early on the first day. Our evening meal on day 1 will be at Pizza Express. Children will have selected what they would like to eat and all food will be pre-ordered. A packed lunch is provided on Thursday hence your child requiring a small rucksack to carry it. Breakfast will be provided by the hostel on day 2. On our return journey, we will also be stopping for tea, which will be provided.

Travel

Transport will be provided by Fussell's Travel Service. If your child suffers from travel sickness and requires medication this should have been stated on your consent form. If you would like a member of staff to look after/administer medication we are happy to do so providing you complete a school medication form explaining what you require. On the outward journey we shall make a couple of stops en route. Please make sure you pack sufficient food for the journey. Please note that sweets and fizzy drinks are not permitted on board the coach. Your child may wish to bring games, books etc. to amuse themselves during the journey. No electronics or mobile phones are permitted.

Clothing

The children should bring adequate clothing for two days, including changes for varying weather.

Equipment list:

Your child will need to have the following items:

- Small rucksack (must have 2 shoulder straps) to carry packed lunch and drinks
- Waterproof jacket
- Comfortable shoes for walking around
- Suitable, comfortable clothing for exploring
- Towel
- Hat and gloves
- Toiletries
- Sufficient changes of underwear and socks
- Warm jumper/fleece
- Any personal medication (e.g. inhalers)

*The above is a list of essential items. Any additional items may be sent at your discretion e.g. Teddy

Supervision

Each child has a designated group leader who will be in charge of a small group of 4 children however, all the activities take place and we will stay together at all times as one whole group. The named group leader will look after spending money, medication etc.

Spending Money

If you would like to provide spending money for the interval at the theatre for refreshments, a suggested £5 is recommended, and from past experience we have found this is more than adequate. We ask that all spending money is put in to a named envelope and given to the group leaders. This can be handed in to their class teacher the day before we depart.

Personal Items

Children are responsible for their own personal items. Please note that we cannot be held responsible for loss of, or damage to, any personal items. Mobile phones or any other electronic devices are not permitted on this trip.



Emergency Contact

If you need to contact us during school time please phone Mrs Houghton at school and she will get a message to us. Outside of school hours you may either contact myself on our school mobile phone (07523304543) or leave a message at the hostel reception (0345 371 9756). Please only contact us in the event of an emergency. If we need to contact you, I have all your contact details. It is unlikely that the children will have time to phone home during the visit. Assume all is well unless we contact you!

All children will wear a wrist band during this visit. This band will have on it the school mobile number: to phone in case of an emergency. The visit leader will carry the school mobile on them at all times.

Insurance

We have a school insurance policy which covers all children for any activities which take place away from school.

Departure

Children will need to be at school no later than **4:45am; we have managed to secure a tour of the Houses of Parliament, hence the earlier start time than originally advised.** The bus will make a prompt departure at 5am. Please can all medical forms be completed before the departure day and any medicines require signed for before we depart. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to a member of staff before the visit departure day.

Payment/Consent Forms

Finally, could I ask you all to complete the enclosed consent form and return it to the school office by Wednesday 29th January 2020. Full payment is due by 1st February, if you need an extension to the payment date please speak to Mrs Palmer.

Itinerary:

Wednesday 12th February

- 4.45am – Coach to arrive at school to load
- 5.00am – Depart school
- 11am (approx.) – Arrive into central London
- 11.40am – Guided tour around the Houses of Parliament
- 1.15 Lunch
- 2.00pm – Guided flight on the London Eye + 4D Cinema
- 3pm - Guided walk around London
- 5.30pm – Dinner at Pizza Express
- 7.30pm- The Gillian Lynne Theatre- School of Rock



Thursday 13th February

- 8am – Breakfast at hostel
- 10am – Depart hostel and travel by coach to the Natural History Museum
- 11am – Natural History Museum and lunch
- 2.00pm- depart London for the journey back to school
- 5/6pm – stop on route for McDonalds tea
- 9.00pm- approx.- arrive back at school

Parents' Meeting:

There will be a parents' meeting on Thursday 30th January, 6pm at Sharow School.

If you have any further questions about the day please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Mrs Snodgrass