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Dear Parents and Carers

**Re: School Trip – Houses of Parliament, Westminster – Wed 22nd January 2025
Year 6**



We are really looking forward to our upcoming trip to Westminster and the Houses of Parliament, please find information below with details of the day to hopefully answer any questions you may have.

We are travelling to and from Westminster on public transport, the train and tube and are therefore asking for your help by **dropping the children off at the station in the morning (NOT at school) and collecting them from the station when we return.** Please could you help each other out with lifts to and from the station. *If you are unable to do the drop off and collect yourself or unable to arrange a lift with another parent/carer, please let us know as soon as possible.*

While we are at the Houses of Parliament, we will be given a guided tour of the Palace of Westminster followed by an engaging curriculum-informed workshop in the education centre. We will leave Westminster at around 2.30-3.00pm expecting to be back at the station at around 3.00pm – 3.30pm, text messages will be sent to you on the day with up-to-date timings if we are running late. *Again we are asking for your cooperation and support with lifts, timings and flexibility.*

As with all trips, there will be a cost involved. The price of travel to and from Westminster will be £2.00 per child, payment to be made on School Gateway. As a school, we feel that school trips are an invaluable experience for our children, and they will all benefit from this. Payment for trips is not mandatory, but if the school do not receive enough in contributions to cover the cost of transport, then it may have to be cancelled.

Arrangements for the day are as follows:

- We will meet at the train station (main entrance) at 9.00am promptly (please do not be late)
- Wear school uniform
- Dress appropriately for the weather, coat/raincoat, hat, scarf, gloves etc
- Bring a packed lunch (please tell the office if you need a FSM school packed lunch)
- Bring a small snack
- Bring drinking water
- A small disposable bag for lunch and water (no rucksacks or bags)
- No money is needed
- No Mobile phones allowed
- Collect children from the station at 3.00pm - 3.30pm (please be flexible with timing)
- Regular text updates with return time will be sent on the day.

We really hope that you will be able to support us with making this trip a success as it will be an amazing experience for the children and will impact on their learning. Should you have any questions, please feel free to come and speak to us.

Yours faithfully

Sarah Joyce
Headteacher