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Tuesday 8th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 5 and 6 London Visit to the London Eye and Houses of Parliament

We are delighted to announce that we are offering Year 5 and Year 6 children the opportunity to visit London on **Tuesday 6th October 2026** as part of their understanding of British Values.

We have again been successful in applying for tickets to visit the Houses of Parliament. Any children on the visit will enjoy learning about the role of the Houses of Parliament, as well as undertaking a tour of the building and hopefully seeing some live debates in the House of Commons and House of Lords.

Alongside visiting the Houses of Parliament, the children will also visit and take a ride on the London Eye. We hope you agree that this is a fantastic opportunity for our children, and we are extremely excited for the visit.

We will be leaving school at 7.00 a.m., so please ensure your child arrives to school for 6.45 a.m. We are hoping to arrive back at school for around 9.30 p.m. (traffic dependant) but will keep you updated via ParentMail and the school's Facebook page.

On Wednesday 7th October 2026, your child will not be expected in school until 10.00 a.m., to give them time to catch up on their sleep. They will not receive a late mark in the register. Due to dinners needing to be ordered prior to this time, please can your child bring a packed lunch for their lunch on this day.

As this visit is a full day, children will be requiring **two meals**. To assist with the cost for parents, school will provide a packed lunch from the school kitchen for one of the meals. Please will you indicate on the permission slip what sandwich your child would prefer. Children though are asked to bring a packed lunch with them as well as some healthy snacks for the journey back as we will not be stopping for a meal on the way home (to be mindful of return times and cost). Please ensure **ALL** children bring a named water bottle with them on the day. If you would prefer to provide your child with two packed lunches, please indicate this on the permission slip attached.

As we will be outside for some of the day, despite the weather, children must come equipped with a waterproof coat and sensible footwear. As we will be in London representing our school, children are expected to wear school uniform as normal.



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Due to the times of our bookings at both the London Eye and Houses of Parliament, we will not be visiting any gift shops, so the children do **not** need any spending money. Please can we remind parents that children do **not** need to bring any mobile, tracking or electronic devices on the visit.

If your child will require medication, please ensure that it is given to an adult prior to the trip and is labelled stating your child's name, the dosage and timings required. This includes any travel sickness tablets.

If you would like your child to take part in this exciting visit, please complete the attached permission slip and return to school by **Wednesday 30th September** with the **£30.00** contribution to secure your child's place, or visit the School Office and speak with Mrs Melbourne if you would like to organise a payment plan. However, we request that you make an initial payment of £10.00 as a deposit.

Any child not wishing to take part in the visit will be expected to attend school as normal or their attendance in school will be marked as unauthorised.

Many thanks,

Year 5 and Year 6 Team



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Year 5 and Year 6 Visit to London

I give permission for my child in class to take part in the visit to London on Tuesday 6th October 2026

I have enclosed the total contribution for the trip of £30

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I request a payment plan from the School Office and enclose an initial £10

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My child will need the following medication during this trip: (please specify doses and times below, ensuring all medication is sent to school in labelled packaging stating your child's name and the dosage).

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Meal Choice:

I would like to order a ham / cheese / tuna / sandwich (circle as appropriate) for meal one and will send my child with meal two.

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OR

I will provide my child with two packed lunches so will **not** require the school to provide one meal

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I give permission for photos to be taken by the Houses of Parliament staff (Some may be used for promotional purposes)

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My child will be collected promptly by:

Signed: (Parent / Carer)

Contact Telephone No:

