



Monday 8th April 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

In Years 5 and 6 the children will be learning about different places of worship. This is linked to the Staffordshire Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education. In addition to this, it will also support the children's learning on 'Promoting British Values' through showing *tolerance* and *mutual respect*.

As part of our learning we have arranged a trip to the Open Centre, in Derby. Whilst the children are at the Open Centre they will have the opportunity to visit some local places of worship including a Hindu temple, a Sikh Gurdwara and a Mosque. We believe that it is increasingly important that pupils have an understanding of the diversity of religious traditions, practices and forms of worship found in our country but **please be assured that under no circumstances will any child be asked to participate in any aspect of worship or be required to compromise their own faith or beliefs during this study visit.**

Whilst there, the children will listen to a brief talk centred around their learning and take part in some interactive activities. This will help the children to learn about different faiths and cultures through a personal experience, which we feel as a school is a necessity in today's modern society. Please ensure your child wears school or plain trousers and bring head coverings such as scarves or plain hats for visits to the Mosque and Sikh Gurdwara.

The trip will take place on Monday 10th June. Please ensure your child arrives at school by 8.30 am, wearing sensible footwear and a coat as we will be walking from one place to the other after we have got off the coach. We will return to school for home time.

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All children are required to wear school uniform and a waterproof coat. All children will need a packed lunch and two drinks. If your child receives Free School meals, they are entitled to a free packed lunch. To enable the trip to take place we will require a payment of £14.00 per child to cover the cost of the coach and all activities. Free School Meal children will be required to pay £7.00. Please note refunds for absence on the day cannot be made. Unfortunately, if insufficient payments are received this may result in the trip not taking place. If you have any questions about the trip, please feel free to ask or you can visit the Open Centre's website for more details at <http://www.derbyopencentre.org/>.

Please make the appropriate payment via Parent Pay by **Friday 3rd May 2019**. Children will be unable to attend the trip if payment and consent isn't received.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Dennis
RE Coordinator

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Child's Name _____ Class _____

- ☐ I would like my child to visit the Open Centre.
- ☐ I do not want my child to visit the Open Centre.
- ☐ Please can I order a packed lunch for my child, who is entitled to a free school meal.

Signed.....
Dated.....

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