

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024



Dear Parent/Carer

In Year 6 as part of the RE curriculum pupils learn about different religions and world views. The learning is linked to the Staffordshire Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education. In addition to this, it also supports the children's learning on 'Promoting British Values' through showing *tolerance* and *mutual respect*.

As part of our learning at school, on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024** we have arranged a visit 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. We will be visiting the Mosque, the Hindu Temple and the Sikh Gurdwara. 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.

**Please be assured that under no circumstances will children 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 on 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.

We would ask for a voluntary contribution of **£13.00** towards entrance fee and activities, however, if enough contributions are not made, the visit may not be viable and may be cancelled.

Payment and the visit consent form must be completed via your child's ParentPay account **by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at the very latest.** Although this visit is open to all pupils, the school reserves the right to refuse participation to any pupil whose behaviour in school is judged unacceptable.

On the day, please ensure your child arrives at school on time, wearing sensible footwear and a coat, as we will be walking from one place to the other after travelling from school by coach. They will also need to bring a packed lunch. If your child receives free school meals and would like a school packed lunch, please ask your child to inform the school kitchen, by **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024.**

Yours sincerely



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