

9 January 2012

Dear Parents,

Ash class visit to Warwick Castle, Wednesday 1 February

Ash Class are planning to visit Warwick Castle as part of our Castles topic in Term 3. As well as looking around the castle, climbing up to the parapets and visiting a small dungeon (not the scary one), we also plan to do the Kingmaker Tour and listen to stories in the Great Hall, as part of National Story Telling Week.

Unfortunately there are no covered spaces to eat lunch, so we will need to eat out of doors. If it is raining or extremely cold or snowing we will be allocated a slot in a conservatory area. With this in mind, the children will need to come dressed for being out of doors for the large part of the day. The Kingmaker Tour and Storytelling will, however, take place indoors. They will need warm, waterproof coats and hoods or hats, as well as gloves etc.

As Ash Class has only 23 children, the cost of coach hire is expensive. FOBs have kindly agreed to fund part of our visit to try and keep the cost down. A voluntary contribution of £19 is invited to cover the cost of transport and entrance to the castle. Unfortunately, the trip will need to be cancelled if we do not receive enough contributions to cover the cost of the visit. The journey is expected to take 1 hour 45 minutes. There are several shops where souvenirs can be purchased. Your child may bring a maximum of £5 in a named purse or wallet. Please ensure your child is in school uniform.

Please provide your child with a packed lunch that is inside a carrier bag. The wrappers and bag can then be thrown away. This will avoid the need to carry a heavy lunch box. If your child is Free School Meals and you would like us to provide a packed lunch, please let us know. As we are travelling to Warwick Castle we will need to leave school at **8.30am** and we are scheduled to arrive back at Bridlewood at **4.45pm**. If we experience any delays on the return journey we will endeavour to inform you. Please complete the confirmation slip and return to school by Wednesday 16th January 2012.

Many thanks
Mrs McLaughlin and Mrs Helsby

I give permission for my child _____ to attend the Ash class visit to Warwick Castle on Wednesday 1 February. My child will arrive at school at 8:30am to board the coach. I understand that the coach is not due to arrive back at school until 4:45pm.

I enclose my contribution of £19

I understand the trip will be cancelled if insufficient contributions are received by 16th January.

Signed _____

Date _____