

08 September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

YEAR 6 EDUCATIONAL VISIT TO WEYMOUTH - NOTHE FORT

As part of our World War II topic, we are planning a Year 6 visit to Nothe Fort in Weymouth for an evacuee experience. Due to the limited capacity of the venue, we will be taking the classes separately. **Koalas class** will be visiting on **Monday 20th September** and **Pandas class** will be visiting on **Wednesday 22nd September 2021**. To fully embrace the experience, we would like the children to come dressed as evacuees.

The party leaders will be Mrs Rapsey for Koalas' visit and Mrs Whatling for Pandas' visit to Nothe Fort assisted by teaching assistants. Our transport will be provided by Vickery's Coaches. We aim to leave school by 9.00am and return to school by 3.10pm, therefore the children need to arrive at school at 8:45am. We do not expect you to go out and buy new clothes for this day as the costumes can hopefully be used from clothes you already own. They need to make a gas mask box – details will be given in class.

Suggestions: shoes, boots or wellies (not trainers); woollen jumper or cardigan; shirt; school shorts, trousers tucked into socks; knee length dress or skirt, cap for boys, beret or headscarf for girls (optional).



If your child is in receipt of a Universal Free School Meal, a packed lunch will be provided for them. Please email office@brooksideacademy.co.uk if **THIS IS REQUIRED**. All other children will need to bring a packed lunch and refillable water bottle.

Financial Arrangements

- Parents are asked to make a voluntary contribution of **£16.49** towards the cost. Payment is preferred through Parentpay, but cash may be paid in stores with a PayPoint machine. Please note, although this is called a `voluntary contribution` we regret that the trip cannot go ahead unless all costs are covered. Payment needs to be paid by **Wednesday 15th September 2021** at the latest.
- In the event of the visit not taking place parents will receive a refund.
- ***We are intending for the trip to go ahead but we are aware that there is a possibility that Government rules may change, we will keep parents fully informed.***

The school retains the following rights:

- to withdraw any pupil at any stage from the above visit if deemed necessary
- to make changes to the above details subject to conditions
- to cancel the visit should contributions not be forthcoming and sufficient funds are not received to meet the cost of the trip/activity

Insurance

Brookside Academy only provides cover against proven or agreed negligence by the academy and its employees. Parents may wish to make their own insurance arrangements for personal accident cover for their children.

Medical Needs

If your child has medical needs affecting him/her during the visit please inform the party leaders, in person or in writing, providing details. Should there be any enquiries regarding the day please contact the Academy Office.

Should there be any enquiries regarding the day please contact the school and we will do our best to help.

Yours sincerely



Brian Walton