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## Chestnut Class Visit to Oxford on Wednesday 20th March

Dear Parents and Carers,

In line with our Topic this term, Chestnut Class will be visiting Oxford for two exciting activities. This will be on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

We will start our day by visiting The Story Museum. Here, we will take part in their Fantasy Map Mission, where we will be transported into different fantasy worlds and using maps to create our own stories. This supports both our work in English and in Geography lessons. We will then have the opportunity to visit their exciting galleries. The Story Museum have kindly offered us their lunch space to use before our afternoon adventure.

In the afternoon, the children will be walking to the Oxford Synagogue with school staff. On our journey, we will take in some of the key sights of Oxford to support our Geography field work. Once at the synagogue, we will go inside and explore its features. We will also hear about some of the key Jewish beliefs and practices to support the work in our Religious Education lessons. Finally, we will get on the coach back to school.

We need to be in Oxford by 9:45am so we will be leaving school promptly at 9:15am. **The children will therefore need to arrive at school by 8:50am.** Our session at the synagogue ends at 2:30pm, so we should be back at school by the end of the school day.

Pupils should bring a **packed lunch, drink, snack and waterproof coat**. They should be wearing their **school uniform**, including **sensible shoes**. In an effort to be more eco-friendly, and reduce the amount of plastic bags / food wrap that often come with school trip lunches, please send you child's lunch in a normal lunchbox / bag, with their name on. They will bring these boxes / bags back from the trip, for you to recycle or dispose of any waste at home. **Please remember that the children will be walking around Oxford with these items so they need to be easy to carry.** 

The total cost for our action-packed adventure is £16. Please give consent and make payment online via Scopay in the usual way.

Whilst the cost of this trip is a little higher than we may have been used to in the past, we believe that the full day, including two main elements, will provide a fantastic learning experience and be a hugely valuable for the children. We would like to thank the School Association for subsidising this visit, in order to keep costs down for parents in these times of spiralling coach travel prices. Costs will be recovered by the school for those in receipt of Pupil Premium funding. If you think that your child is eligible, please check with the school office. Should insufficient voluntary contributions be made, the trip will have to be cancelled.

Kind regards, Miss Crockett

