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Chestnut Class Visit to Oxford on Friday 7th March

Dear Parents and Carers,

In line with our Topic in the Spring Term, Chestnut Class will be visiting Oxford for two exciting activities. This will be on Friday 7th March 2025.

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 Playhouse with school staff. On our journey, we will take in some of the key sights of Oxford to support our Geography field work. This



includes Carfax Tower and the Ashmolean Museum. Once at Oxford Playhouse, we will watch the Northern Ballet's brand-new children's production of Hansel and Gretel. This will support our English work on fairy tales, as well as teaching children how to look after the planet. It is sure to be fantastic as the company are known for their bold sets, bright costumes and brilliant live music. 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 8:45am.** We are expecting to leave Oxford Playhouse at around 3pm so **should be back at school at around 3:30pm.**

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 £25.70. We understand that this is higher than some other visits and therefore wanted to share our plans with you earlier than usual so that you can pay in instalments if you wish to. 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 the cost of the coach for this visit, and Oxford Playhouse for giving us discounted tickets for the show.

Please give consent and make payment online via Scopay, in the usual way, by Thursday 9th January. If you would like to pay in instalments, please speak to a member of our office team, who will be happy to help. 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



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