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26th March 2026

Year 4 World War Two – National Memorial Arboretum

Dear Parents,

During Summer Term, our History focus will be World War Two, where we will learn all about why Britain had to go to war in 1939, how people were protected during the war, and why some places were more likely to be bombed than others. This will allow us to create conclusions on how people's lives changed during WW2. To help facilitate the children's knowledge of this unit, we have arranged a trip to the National Memorial Arboretum on **Friday 8th May**.

We shall be travelling to the trip via coach and spend the day taking part in the WW2 Explorer Day. Pupils will learn about life during the Blitz and the importance of rationing during the war. Pupils will then explore evacuation to the countryside before taking part in a guided tour around the Arboretum.

We will depart from school at 9.15am to arrive at the National Memorial Arboretum for approximately 10:00 am and leave the centre at approximately 2:00pm to return to school for 2:45pm. **Children will need to arrive at school by 8:30am for a prompt start.**

Pupils need to arrive at school in their school uniform and wear sensible shoes. Please bring a coat.

Your child will need to bring a packed lunch and a drink in a **named** carrier bag. Please ensure all packaging can be thrown away including drinks bottles, as **everything** will be disposed of. Please only send a suitable amount of food for the trip. Can pupils also bring a rucksack to keep all of their lunch and drinks in for the visit.

The cost of the Trip is £24. This includes the workshop fee for all activities during the day and coach transfers. Payment for the visit is to be made through ParentPay. When you make the payment, you are **giving permission** for your child to attend the trip.

We look forward to an enjoyable day.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Ayling

Year 4 Teacher