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Dear Parents and Carers,

As I am sure you know, the residential trip to London is almost here. Please find attached the proposed timetable and medical form. This is the proposed timetable for the visit; however it may be necessary to change some of the timings as the trip progresses.

For the last few visits to London, we had a London Residential WhatsApp Group which we have used to send photographs, short messages etc. during the visit which has proved popular. **If you would like to be included in the WhatsApp group, please complete and return the attached blue form by Friday 8th May as setting up the group takes time.**

We will use the Arbor App for parents during the visit and to notify you of any delay in our return. We will also update the WhatsApp Group, so please check all forms of communication in case of technical issues.

Please **do not send** your child with a mobile phone or any electronic equipment of any kind; mobile phones /cameras/ smart watches with recording facilities represent a potential safeguarding issue so must NOT be taken. In addition, we will not take responsibility for any electrical items or have time to look for them if they get lost. We will be taking photographs which we will share during and after the visit.

Your child will need:

- A **SMALL** rucksack – on the first day this should contain the packed lunch that you are providing for them. **This is additional to the suitcase/bag that they use for their luggage.** They will use this to carry their lunch, water bottle and money each day.
- Clothes etc. should be packed in a separate suitcase or holdall (with wheels where possible as the children need to transport it themselves).
- If possible, encourage your child to pack their own case as they will then be aware of what is inside it and, when packing to come home, *should* recognise any lost items!
- A refillable water bottle.
- A waterproof / showerproof coat. (As light as possible – a cagoule that packs away would be ideal).
- Sun cream - we will provide sun caps but your child will need to bring and apply their own sun cream.
- Suitable footwear for walking around the city (high heels, strappy sandals and flip flops are not suitable for this trip).
- Wash bags - Soap or shower gel, toothpaste and toothbrush, deodorant (roll-on please to stop fire alarms being activated) sanitary protection and **a towel**.
- Nightwear.
- Clothing for 3 days – be aware the weather could be cool or very hot so be prepared for both. (We are not participating in any wet activities or muddy ones so you do not need to send old clothes) **The**

children must wear long trousers and sleeves to be able to able part in all of the activities at the Mammouth Park Arc at Woburn Safari Park on the last day

- Children may take up to £30 pocket money to spend in the various gift shops or at the Youth Hostel. **This should be in small value notes or ideally in coins and in a labelled purse or wallet.** We do not collect money in so they need to be responsible for this themselves.
 - If your child wishes to, they could take a small teddy bear or a book to read but there will be very little free time as we have a busy schedule.
 - The children do not need any bedding.
 - Children may bring snacks and treats – especially if there are a little fussy with what they eat! Past experience tells us that children often eat foods on residential that they wouldn't at home 😊, but everyone enjoys a mid-night snack.
 - Please do not send fizzy drinks or glass bottles.
 - If your child needs travel sickness tablets, **please administer them yourself before we leave** and complete the **YELLOW medical form** with details so that we can do the same on the way home.
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- **The GREEN form, so that we are able to administer any basic over-the-counter medication (Calpol, antihistamine etc.) your child might need.** We **cannot** give your child **any** medication without your signed permission.
 - The **YELLOW** medical form should be returned if your child needs **prescription or any other medication.**

All of this paperwork and any medication must be in school by **Wednesday 13th May**.

We are looking forward to a great trip that all the children will enjoy and remember forever; if you have any other questions please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

Thank you for co-operation,

Year 6 Team