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Class 1 Summer Term Trip to Skipton Castle – Wednesday 20th May

During the Summer Term we will be learning about kings, queens, castles and palaces, in our History lessons. Therefore, a trip to Skipton Castle, Skipton has been arranged.

We have booked a coach to leave school at approximately 9:00am to arrive at Skipton Castle for 10:00am where there will be a guided tour of the castle and the grounds. During the trip the children will learn about:

- Medieval warfare/castle defence
- Building materials and techniques
- Medieval and Tudor architecture
- The Castle's role in the Wars of the Roses and the Civil War
- 'Butcher' Clifford and his family, and their links with Royalty
- Coats of Arms
- The Household and its servants
- Heating/lighting/water supplies
- Medieval and Tudor cookery

Our activities will finish around 1:45pm and we aim to be on the coach by 2:00pm. Our estimated arrival time back in school will be 3:00pm and if this changes on the day due to traffic, parents and carers will be informed via school spider.

The cost of the entire trip is **£10.00** per child, we are asking parents and carers for a voluntary donation to cover these costs. Please contribute by Monday 18th May. The BSA have very kindly agreed to pay for half of the coach transfer which significantly reduces the costs. If your child would like to go but you are unable to meet the cost of their trip, please do get in touch with us, in confidence. Payment will be made via the School Spider online system.

All children will require a packed lunch for the day. **Those children who currently have school dinners will be provided with a grab bag from school on the morning of the trip – if your child would prefer to bring a packed lunch from home please indicate on the survey.** School prepared packed lunches will include: a sandwich (children will choose from a choice of fillings in class), crisps, either a fairy cake or homemade biscuit along with a bottle of water. Children who bring packed lunches from home will be expected to do so on the trip day. Please note: we are a nut free school therefore please do not send any produce that contains, or may contain nuts. All packed lunch items need to be entirely disposable but no glass bottles please.

Please complete the school spider **consent** form to give your consent for your child to go on the trip, by 18th May at the latest.

Please note, that if your child is in receipt of pupil premium funding, the cost of the trip will be paid for by school via this funding. However, please make sure that you still complete the consent form before 18th May.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions.

Kind regards

Mrs Goldthorpe and Mrs Howarth
Class 1 Teachers

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May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed Psalm 20:4*

