



Great Gaddesden C of E (VA) Primary School

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Year 5/6 trips

Friday, 11th May.

Dear Parents,

I am writing to give details of two trips that have been arranged for Year 5/6 this term.

On **Thursday, 24th May**, the children will be visiting the Amaravati Buddhist Monastery, in Great Gaddesden to support their religious knowledge of learning about other faiths. This promises to be a most interesting visit, during which time we will be shown round the monastery, introduced to the way of life for followers of the Buddhist faith and learn more about their culture and beliefs.

We will arrive at 10:00 and spend most of the day there. All children will require a packed lunch on this day and this will be eaten at the monastery. We will eat our lunch with the members of the Buddhist community. As they rely entirely on donations of food, it is customary for visitors to bring an offering to share with the monks. It is suggested that these are biscuits, nuts dried fruit etc. The children will place their offerings in the monks' bowls as they pass by.

There will be no charge for this trip as we are most fortunate to live in walking distance of the monastery. Please encourage your children to discuss their day with you as this will support the research and actual experiences of the children.

On **Friday, 29th June**, a trip to Cadbury's World in Bourneville has been booked for Y5/6 children. The day follows an exciting schedule, which includes a film and a tour showing the process of chocolate making and a visit to the exhibition. Please could the children be in school at 8:20 a.m. as we will need to leave by 8:30. We will be due back at school at 4:30. The voluntary contribution for the cost for the trip is £33.50. This includes the entrance charge, the activities, the tour led by an educational guide and the coach travel. I recognise that this is a considerable amount of money and I hope that by giving advance notice, this will help spread the cost. If you would like to pay this voluntary contribution in instalments, please don't hesitate to get in touch with the office.

Please complete and sign the parental permission slip below and return to school.

Please log on to Parent Pay to make the voluntary contribution or please indicate below if you are paying by a cash/cheque.

Regards,

Mrs S.M. Wickens
Headteacher

Please tick the relevant consent boxes below.

Child's name: _____

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I give permission for _____ to visit Amaravati Monastery on 25th May.

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I give permission for _____ to visit Cadbury's World, on 29th June.

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I enclose payment with this slip.

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I have made a payment on Parent Pay. **Parental signature** _____