



The Arreton & Oakfield Federation

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London Trip-HMS Belfast 26th – 29th March 2018

Dear Parents / Carers

We are delighted to be able to let you know that we are again offering children in Years 3 and 4 the opportunity to go on a four-day residential trip to London. This year we are again offering the trip as a Federation trip to include both schools. It will be the 10th year Oakfield and 2nd year for Arreton that we have gone and as in previous years, the trip will include a West End Theatre Show, a trip to an art gallery, and various other sightseeing opportunities. We will be staying on HMS Belfast, which enables the children to have their own tour of the ship and experience a little bit of life as a 'sailor'!

This is an exciting opportunity for our children to extend their knowledge and to experience a variety of cultural opportunities beyond the isolation of the Island. However, due to the fact the trip is designed to enhance not replace core education it is essential that your child's attendance does not fall below 95% or the offer of a place could be withdrawn. Parents and carers must also ensure they are able to attend the final meeting which will be held approximately 2 weeks before the trip (or make an appointment that week if unable to attend the meeting) to complete all relevant forms (emergency contact, medical information and provision of prescribed medication which must be NAMED).

To provisionally reserve a place for your child on this trip you need to complete the attached form and return it to school as soon as possible. At this stage we need to gauge interest in the trip to allow us to complete planning and set up payment schemes in good time. This will not be a final commitment but will help us to go ahead with planning the trips.

Please be aware that once we have confirmed the price and you have paid your initial deposit and accepted the terms and conditions you will be liable for the full cost of the trip. We do not want financial difficulties to prevent a child from going on this trip and can provide financial support for families in financially difficult circumstances. If you would like to apply for financial support please complete the form attached and return with your provisional reservation form.

Obviously, we do have a limited number of spaces available and if we have too many applications, priority will be given to Year 4 pupils and pupils who have not been on the trip previously and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

With best wishes
Laura Bosworth
Executive Headteacher

Please return by 6th October 2017

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Name of child:.....

Class teacher:.....

Current Year Group:

I would like to express an interest and provisionally reserve a place for my child on the residential trip. I have also noted that the full cost of the trip would be approximately £350 (*This will be confirmed once we know how many will be attending.*) and a non-refundable deposit of £50 would need to be paid to confirm my acceptance of an offer of a place.

I would like to be considered for financial Yes/No (*please ring as appropriate*).

Signed: (Parent/Carer)

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For staff use only:

Date / time received:.....

Signed:(member of staff)