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'Every Child, Every Opportunity'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to inform you that members of our School Council from Years 2 to 6 have been invited to take part in a very special visit to the Houses of Parliament on **Monday 24th November**. This exciting opportunity will include a tour and workshop designed to deepen the children's understanding of democracy which is set to be a truly memorable and enriching experience.

In addition to the Parliament visit, we are aiming to take in some of London's iconic sights, including Downing Street, Horse Guards Parade, and if time allows, a walk through St. James's Park to view Buckingham Palace.

Key Information:

- **Departure & Return Times:** Children should arrive at school by **7:30am**. We aim to return to school by **7:00pm** at the latest. This will be dependent on traffic and we are hoping to be back sooner than this so we will email you on the day with further details once we have made it out of London.
- **Clothing & Essentials:** Children must wear their full school uniform, including their school jumper. Please ensure they bring a coat suitable for the weather and a backpack to carry their belongings, which they will be responsible for throughout the day. They will also be on their feet for long periods of time so should wear suitable, comfortable footwear for walking and standing.
- **Food & Drinks:**
 - Please provide a packed lunch for your child. If you have booked a hot school meal on that day, then a packed lunch will be provided for them.
 - **In addition to this, all children will need to be provided with a second packed meal** for the minibus journey home, as we will be travelling during dinner time.
To help keep things tidy and simple, we kindly ask that this evening meal is easy to eat and not too messy or sticky.
 - Children should bring two drinks bottles to stay hydrated throughout the day.



- **Cost & Permission:** We are asking for **contributions of £6.00** per child towards the cost of travel. For children entitled to Pupil Premium funding the cost will be £3.00.

Please give your permission for your child to attend this visit, as well as making any payments, via the MCAS app, **by Monday 17th November.**

We are very much looking forward to this inspiring day and thank you for your support in helping make it a success.

Kind regards,

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