King Athelstan Primary School

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Dear Families of Year 2,

We are delighted to inform you that Year 2 will be visiting **Hampton Court Palace** on **Wednesday 16th July**, where the children will be taking part in an educational session and a teacher-led tour as part of our history topic about the Tudors. We will be travelling there by boat, leaving from Turks Pier in Kingston.

In order to ensure this trip can go ahead, we will require the full payment of £18.07. It is <u>non-refundable</u> as it is sent directly to the providers. The cost covers the boat and the session at Hampton Court. Although these are voluntary contributions, we sadly will not be able to take the children if we do not receive enough parental contributions to cover the costs. I'm sure you will agree this is a fantastic opportunity for the children to experience their local history; to arrive at Hampton Court in the way that Henry VIII did and experience the wonderful educational session they offer there.

All payments are to be made via ParentPay online, and you can pay in instalments. If you have any concerns about the payment or the trip, please email the school office on:

admin@kingathelstan.rbksch.org. In ParentPay you will also see an option to overpay the amount, as requested by some families. This is for anyone who wishes to pay extra to help families who may struggle with the cost, and this will help to ensure no trips are cancelled.

Children will need to arrive at school at the earlier time of **8.15am**, and we will return to school for the later pick up time of **3.35pm**. Early morning reading will not take place for Year 2 children on this day. They should wear full uniform on this day, and have sun cream applied before school in good weather. They should all have a named sun hat.

All children will need a packed lunch, a healthy snack, and a named, refillable water bottle. Please order lunch as usual on ParentPay and a packed lunch will be provided. Alternatively, please provide your child with a packed lunch from home (and cancel any meal on ParentPay). No fizzy drinks or sweets please. The children can bring their lunch in a small backpack, rather than a plastic bag, as they will have to carry this around for the morning.

If you have a current DBS check through King Athelstan and you would like to join us on this trip please indicate on ParentPay. If you would like to apply for a DBS, please also indicate on ParentPay and complete this Google form <u>Trip volunteer DBS information form</u> as there is time to get a DBS before the trip. Each DBS costs us £16 and we ask for a contribution towards this if possible - you will see this item in ParentPay. We will confirm helpers nearer the time.











We realise that this is quite a large cost, but feel that this trip will really support the learning of the children's history. Visiting Hampton Court by boat and attending a school-only session will immerse the children in their local history and give them life experiences that they will remember for a long time to come.

Kind Regards,

Elisabeth Sarton and Katie Smee

Year 2 Team