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Dear Parents and Carers

Year 6 Trip to Holdenby House – Wednesday 25th November 2026

This year, Year 6 will begin their study of World War II in History, learning about the causes and consequences of the conflict as well as its impact on the Home Front. In order to deepen their understanding and bring their learning to life, we have arranged a World War II experience day at Holdenby House in Northamptonshire.

The visit will take place on **Wednesday 25th November**. The **coach will leave school at 8:30am** so children will need to **arrive to school at the earlier time of 8am**. We will be returning to school a little later than usual, at the estimated time of **3:30pm**. If for any reason the return journey is delayed we will contact parents via a text message as soon as we are aware.

If your child suffers from travel sickness, please make sure they have had a tablet before coming to school. If they will require medication for the return journey, please collect a medical consent form from the office. This **must be completed and returned with the necessary medication BEFORE the day of the trip** otherwise we will not be able to administer it.

We believe that such trips are educationally very valuable. We ask for a voluntary contribution of **£23 per child**. However, please note that if the school receives insufficient contributions then the trip may not go ahead. **Payment to be made through your Teachers2Parents account by Friday 6th November 2026.**

All children will need to bring **a packed lunch and a bottle of water**. The children could try and use ingredients from the time e.g. jam, corned beef or marmite sandwiches!

Allergy Awareness: Packed lunches must not contain any nut products (eg, peanut butter, Nutella) or any products containing sesame seeds (eg, certain rolls, hummus, or crackers). We have children with severe allergies and appreciate your cooperation.

Free School Meals: If your child is entitled to a free school lunch, the school can provide a packed lunch for the trip. This must be ordered in advance. Please click on the Google form below. Must be **completed by Friday 6th November**.

<https://forms.gle/apKTWYib5zTXcHgT7>

The children will explore and complete a range of activities including cooking under rationing and learning about Make do and Mend. The day will end with traditional singing and a role-play



evacuation. Therefore, we would love for the children to dress up in the style of World War II. Please do not feel any need to purchase a costume: **your child could wear their school dress or skirt, a cardigan and ankle socks, or their school trousers, a shirt and jumper**. Children will be outside so they will need to dress in **warm clothes and bring a coat**.

Action Checklist for Parents

1. Payment: Voluntary contribution of **£23** via your Teachers2Parents App, found under "Payments". You are able to make smaller payments as and when but balance must be paid by **6th November**.

2. FSM Lunch Order: Please complete the Google form **before 6th November**.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Yours faithfully

Miss Haynes
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Miss Ayers
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Miss Edwards
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