# **Upton Junior School**



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Dear Parent/Carer,

#### Re: Trip to Canterbury Cathedral

As part of our 'Invaders and Settlers' topic we have organised a visit to Canterbury Cathedral.

During the trip, children will discover how Canterbury Cathedral was founded in Anglo Saxon times by Saint Augustine when he was offered the site by King Ethelbert and Queen Bertha. They will explore the Cathedral in costume, finding out about life in Anglo-Saxon Canterbury right up to the siege of Canterbury that involved the dramatic kidnapping and murder of Archbishop Alphege at the hands of the Vikings. This visit also includes time investigating items from the cathedral's collections that date from this time.

The dates are as follows:

5B & 5Y - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2021 56 & 5R - Thursday 4th November 2021

### Year 5 Canterbury Cathedral Trip Consent Form

The children will need to be in school for 8:40am prompt, ready to leave at 9:00am. We will return for 3:15pm, normal time.

#### Children will:

- be required to wear school uniform
- bring a waterproof coat and warm clothes (scarf/hat/gloves) as they will be outdoors for the parts of the day.
- need a packed lunch for the day (if your child has a free school meal, a packed lunch will be provided)
- enough to drink for the whole day.
- they can bring up to £5 in a named purse/wallet or envelope to spend in the gift shop.

The cost of the trip has been subsidised by the school to bring the cost down to £15.00 per child, please make payment via www.eduspot.co.uk (School Money) and complete the consent form - Year 5 Canterbury Cathedral Trip Consent by Tuesday 2nd November. No child will be excluded through inability to pay but if there are insufficient funds, the trip will unfortunately be cancelled.

Kind regards,

Mr White and the Year 5 team



## 'One Childhood One Chance'

Online Payments: This trip is now available to pay online at <a href="https://www.eduspot.co.uk">www.eduspot.co.uk</a> with your individual log-in details. This is a safe and secure way to pay for your child's trip online. If you require a password reminder or need any further assistance please contact the school office directly.

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**Behaviour Policy & School Trips:** Our expectation is for all of our pupils to behave the 'Upton Way' across all aspects of school life. To be off site, on a school trip, the expectation is even greater. The children are representing Upton Junior School and it is expected that they follow the high standard of behaviour set whilst they are in school.

The staff leading the trip must be confident that the children understand the importance of following our rules and routines. Therefore, behaviour between now and the trip must remain at the expected level, with every child behaving the 'Upton Way'.

We have in place a **3** Strikes Policy using our 'Behaviour Points' as a means to measure 'unacceptable behaviour'. Any child receiving 22 points of less in one week will be given a 'verbal warning' as strike 1 and parents will be informed. Should the negative behaviour continue, with a child ending a week for the second time with 22 points or less, then the 2<sup>nd</sup> strike will be issued and parents will be contacted. If, unfortunately, the child continues to exhibit unacceptable behaviour and ends a week with 22 points of less for the third time, then the final strike will be issued. This will result in their place on the school trip being withdrawn.

We are sure you will appreciate that for the health and safety of all our pupils and staff, behaviour not of an acceptable standard cannot be allowed for an offsite visit.

I am confident this situation will not arise with your child but it is my duty to make you aware of our policy at this stage.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Law

Head of School

