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Dear Parents/Carers,



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Trip to Kent Life, Maidstone on Friday 2nd May 2025

As a part of our Term 5 topic: 'The Maya: The Rise and Fall', we are planning to take a trip to Kent Life on Friday 2nd May.

We will be leaving school at 9am, **children will need to be at school by 8.30am** we will be travelling by coach and plan to return around 3.15pm/3.30pm (traffic dependent).

If your child needs travel sickness tablets, please complete the medical consent form on our website under parent/parent forms and bring into the office by Thursday 1st May.

During the day, the children will take part in workshops, exploring technology and temples, learning how and why the Mayans built huge structures without the aid of modern technology.

Children will also be exploring what the Mayans believed in and how they communicated with their gods and will also be learning what the Mayans used to track the passage of time, and why it was so important to them.

The centre is based outside and therefore the children need to be prepared for the weather (coat/raincoats).

They will also need to bring a packed lunch with a drink to be bought in a rucksack/drawstring bag as the children will need to carry their own bag throughout their visit.

Children who are entitled to free school meals, our kitchen staff will prepare a packed lunch for them. If you would prefer to provide your child with one from home, please let the school office know via email office@uptonjunior.com by Friday 25th April.

The cost of the trip per child will be £20.94.

Payment can be made via your MCAS app under "trips".

We have set up instalments of £10.94 to be paid on Friday 21st March and then £10.00 to be paid by Thursday 3rd April, or alternatively, you can make the full payment of £20.94 by Thursday 3rd April.

Kind regards,

Mrs Andrews

Head of Year 3

Behaviour Policy & School Trips: Our expectation is for all 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 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' to measure 'unacceptable behaviour'. Any child receiving 22 points or 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 2nd strike will be issued, and parents will receive a letter notifying them of this. If, unfortunately, the child continues to exhibit unacceptable behaviour and ends a week with 22 points or 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.

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