



Blandford St. Mary
CE Primary School

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'Love, Hope, Respect, Perseverance, Responsibility'

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Year 5 History trip to Nothe Fort

To support our learning about World War II, early in the Spring term of Year 5, we have organised a trip to Nothe Fort for an 'Evacuee Experience Day'. On **Tuesday 18th March**, we will travel by coach to Weymouth, leaving at 9am and returning by 3.15pm.

To immerse the children in the experience, they should all come dressed as an evacuee for the day. We please ask for you not to go out and spend lots of money on this; costumes can be made from what you already have at home. There are lots of ideas online but if you need any support with this please don't hesitate to ask. We will be making gas mask boxes and identification cards in school so this isn't something that needs to be included in your costume. Nothe Fort is an old building, which can get very cold, with some of the activities taking place outside. **Please ensure children are wearing layers under their costume to keep them warm.** I have provided some example costume ideas on the back of this letter.

Children will need to bring packed lunches and a water bottle. For a more authentic experience it would be great for their lunch to be in a paper bag and without using cling film or tin foil.

We believe that school trips provide amazing opportunities for children to immerse themselves in their learning, however, we do appreciate that they can be costly so we have done our best to reduce this as much as possible. Originally, the cost per child would have been £13.50. We are extremely grateful to our Friends of School who have donated a large contribution towards the costs of our trip this year (£350!). This significantly reduces the cost, especially towards the coach. The remaining cost for this trip is **£2** per child (£1 for children eligible for pupil premium). **Please ensure this is paid, on Arbor, by the 11th March.**

Miss West

Permission Slip – Year 5 trip to Nothe Fort

Child's name.....

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I give permission for my child to attend this trip and I have paid on Arbor.





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Evacuee costume ideas



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