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Dear Parent/Guardian

Year 7 Cathedral Trips 2019

As part of your son's Religious Studies course, pupils will be exploring how places of worship reflect the beliefs of those who worship within them. In order to help them with this aspect of the course I have arranged a trip to Salisbury Cathedral in the second half of this term. Bishop Wordsworth's School has strong links with the Cathedral and this will also provide an opportunity for the boys to find out more about the building we use so often.

During the visit it will be possible for boys to have a tour of the Tower; this however, requires us to provide 2 adults for each group of 10 pupils. It will therefore be necessary for us to ask for help from any Parents/Guardians who are free, willing to accompany us and would like to go on the Tower tour. Please note that there is no parking available on the school site for parent helpers. If you are able to help, please email Mrs Singleton bjs@bws.wilts.sch.uk.

Together with the Cathedral Education Service charge we are obliged to insure each pupil, regardless of whether they go on the Tower tour or not. As the School cannot fund the visit I would be grateful if parents could make the appropriate voluntary contribution of £7.50. No pupil will be barred from the trip on account of non-payment, but if total payments do not cover the cost of the trip then it will have to be cancelled.

On all days we will be leaving school at 9.05 am and returning before 12.30 pm.

If your son has music lessons at that time it is important that he sees Mr Fay as soon as possible to rearrange.

Boys will be required to wear full school uniform and will need a clip board and pencil. They must bring any medication such as inhalers and epi-pens with them on the trip. Workbooks will be provided on the day.

After a shortened lunch break they will return to their normal timetable for the day.

The tutor groups will visit on the following days:

- Monday 4 November – 7W
- Tuesday 5 November – 7J
- Wednesday 6 November – 7P
- Thursday 7 November – 7O
- Friday 8 November – 7M

Payment is deemed as consent for the Tower Tour and Cathedral trip. If you **do not** wish your son to attend this trip, please email bjs@bws.wilts.sch.uk.

Deadline for payment of £7.50: Friday 11th October 2019.

Please pay online via your WisePay account. If you have any issues accessing WisePay please email Trips@bws.wilts.sch.uk, Parents/Guardians who may find it difficult to meet the deadline for payment should contact the Finance Office.

Your son will be covered by the school's insurance during this trip; a copy of which is available on the school website.

Please ensure that we have current emergency contact details and details of any medical conditions and that your son takes all necessary medication with him on this trip. Please contact Mrs Sarah Hayward sah@bws.wilts.sch.uk to update your son's information.

Yours faithfully

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