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Dear Parents & Carers,

Whole School Trip - St Fagan's Museum, Cardiff

We are very excited to let you know that next week on Thursday 27th September the whole school will be going to St Fagan's Open Air Museum in Cardiff to support our learning this term connected with our theme 'Grand Designs' looking at buildings and homes throughout history.

Open to the public since November 1948, the museum stands in the grounds of the magnificent St Fagan's Castle and gardens, a late 16th-century manor house donated to the people of Wales by the Earl of Plymouth. Children will be able to learn about how people lived and worked in the past by visiting and going inside many of the forty historic buildings on the site. These are original re-erected and re-furnished historic buildings including a corn mill, tailor's workshop, police station, sawmill, tannery, roundhouse, school, saddlers, smithy, woollen mill, bakehouse, farmstead, church, clogmakers and general store to name but a few.

As part of this trip, each year group will also take part in a 'Washday' workshop at a level pitched for their age. They will also be visiting the Gwalia Stores to see how people shopped in the past. Additionally, each group will have a slot timetabled to visit Rhyd-y-car, a set of six terraced houses. The six houses are displayed at different periods of their history from 1805 to 1985. In this way the changes in the buildings, their contents and their gardens can be shown.

There will also be an opportunity for children to visit the shop if they wish. Children may bring a maximum of £4.00 to spend; this amount is not obligatory and is at parent's discretion. The option of a shop visit is in response to a request from the School Council who came to me with this request and then canvassed opinion amongst the wider school to help us come to a decision. Staff will try to guide children to avoid the purchase of 'tat' but this cannot be guaranteed and staff are keen for me to let you know that they are not to be held responsible if you don't like the purchase!

Children will need a healthy morning snack, packed lunch, drink and an additional afternoon snack, packed as lightly as possible please, as they will need to carry their bags with them. Please also ensure they have a coat in case of bad weather as we are outside for the majority of the day. They may also like to bring a book to read or quiet, suitable game to play on the coach. No electronic devices please.

The cost to parents for this trip is £12 per child; please ensure payment is made prior to the trip taking place thank you.

In the same way as previously when we did a whole school trip, we will meet the coach at **Stratford Park Leisure Centre in Stroud at 8.30am** rather than waiting for the coach to come to Sheepscombe. This avoids the difficulties of Sheepscombe parking near the Chapel, especially during the current road works and also means we are not waiting for the coach to come up to us after its secondary school drop off. P.T.O



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Please bring your child to Stratford Park Leisure Centre car park for **8.30am at the latest**. We will be leaving promptly.

Staff will be at Stratford Park from 8.25 a.m for you to drop children off. In terms of return time, we have arranged a later departure time from St Fagan's for this trip to allow us to make the most of the day. The coach leaves St Fagan's at 3.00pm and we anticipate being **back at Stratford Park Leisure Centre by 4.30p.m.** Mrs Powell will keep you updated via the text messaging service as to any delays or changes to this.

Kind regards

Mrs Barron, Mr Taylour, Mr Ringer, Ms Murphy and the rest of the staff team.

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I/we give permission for (name) to attend the above Trip.

I/we enclose payment of £12.00.
(Please make cheques payable to Gloucestershire County Council, payment will also be set up on ParentPay)

Cheque enclosed Cash enclosed ParentPay

Contact number for this day is

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