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Upcoming Year 4 School Trips – Tyland Barn & Dover Castle

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to announce **two exciting, upcoming trips for Year 4 later this academic year.**

DOVER CASTLE – FRIDAY 22nd MAY 2026

In Term 5, we will be visiting **Dover Castle on Friday 22nd May, 2026**. The trip is planned in order to enrich the children's understanding of the castle which we will be studying in Term 5. As this trip is at the end of our history unit, this will allow the children the opportunity to see first-hand everything that we have learnt about in class. Our visit will include a tour of the castle, the wartime tunnels, the Anglo-Saxon church and the Roman lighthouse. **Full school uniform**, comfortable sensible shoes and a coat/rain jacket should be worn (as it is an outside environment).

Please click [here](#) to complete the **google form for the trip to Dover Castle**, this will include sandwich options if you need to order a packed lunch provided by the school. For this trip we will be leaving by **8:30am**, therefore we ask that your child be at school by **8:10am prompt** on that day, to allow for registration and a last trip to the toilet. We plan on returning to school by 3:30pm, giving us maximum time to make the most of our visit. Please ensure there is someone available to collect your child from school at this time.

We are able to offer the trip for £17. To ensure this trip is able to take place, we are asking for this to be paid via your Parent Pay account, **no later than 03.04.26**.

TYLAND BARN – MONDAY 15th JUNE 2026

In Term 6, we will be visiting Tyland Barn, Maidstone on **Monday 15th June 2026** as part of our school's work on sustainability and the environment. It also ties in with our Term 6 Science unit on habitats and classification. During this visit we will be pond dipping and building a beaver dam - **Children should wear their Forest School clothes**. This trip will be entirely within school hours, as we will be leaving school at 9:30am and returning to school at 2:30pm.

Please click [here](#) to complete the **google form for the trip to Tyland Barn**, this will include sandwich options if you need to order a packed lunch provided by the school.

We are able to offer the trip for **£21.50**. To ensure this trip is able to take place, we are asking for this to be paid via your Parent Pay account, **no later than 01.05.26**.

For both of these trips, all children will need to have a packed lunch. Please do not include glass bottles or fizzy drinks if you are providing your own. We ask that this is supplied in a sturdy bag or rucksack with your child's name on it, not a plastic bag. If you wish your child to have a packed lunch provided by the school kitchen, payment is to be made via ParentPay in the usual way. If your child has free school meals, you will still need to order this, so that kitchen staff can prepare packed lunches in advance.

Children do not need to bring any money on either of the days.

Kind Regards,
Mr Meredith