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## Year 1 Trip to Chatham Historic Dockyard

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am very pleased to inform you that we have organised a school trip to Chatham Dockyard on **Friday 27th February**. We have been learning about Christopher Columbus and Captain James Cook in history, so this will be a great opportunity for the children to learn more about the journeys these explorers took.



On the day, the children are required to wear their full school uniform, sensible shoes and a warm, waterproof coat. They will also need to bring a packed lunch in a small, named rucksack. Please do not include any glass bottles or fizzy drinks. We also advise that you provide your child with a small additional snack and water in order for your child to have a mid-morning snack. *Note - if your child usually has a school dinner, the kitchen will be able to provide lunch for them.* This will need to be booked in the normal way using Parent Pay. Please indicate your child's preferred choice of sandwich filling on the google form.

To ensure we make the most of our time at the dockyard, we ask that all children arrive at school no later than **8:45am**. Children should make their way through the **Key Stage 1 gate** as normal and enter the Year 1 classroom where they will be greeted by a member of staff. The coach will be leaving school at **9:00am**.

Upon arrival at the dockyard, we will be welcomed by staff who will take us to the lifeboats and then onto the rope making tour, which will be an interactive experience for the children. After lunch, we will complete tours of the HMS Ocelot, Cavalier and Gannet. We aim to be back at school by the normal pick up time of **3:10pm**. Throughout the return journey we will be in contact with the office who will communicate with you if we are going to be later than this time, due to traffic.

In order for the trip to go ahead we will be asking for a contribution of £20.00 per child. This includes entry to the dockyard as well as the cost of the coach. Please complete and return the google form [here](#) by Friday 13th February. Payment for the trip is to be made via Parent Pay no later than 13th February.

We are sure you will agree that this trip will provide the children with many memorable experiences.

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs Piner