



Friday 6th May 2022

YEARS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 VISIT TO WATCH
THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE
MONDAY 23rd MAY 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

With a little over two weeks to go until the school visit to watch the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace I wanted to update you with an itinerary for the day. Over 160 children have already been given permission by their parents/carers to attend which is very encouraging. I hope that once you have read the rest of this letter you will sign the online consent form.

9:30am Children, staff and governors leave school on a convoy of coaches

10:30am School arrive at Birdcage Walk and disembark

11:00am Children staff and governors in place of watch the Changing of the Guard – Coldstream Guard

<https://www.householddivision.org.uk/changing-the-guard-calendar>

11:45am Whole school make their way over to St James' Park for lunch

12:00pm Classes take up spaces on the grounds of St James' Park to eat lunch

12:30pm-1:45pm CLASSES TO ENJOY STRUCTURED ACTIVITIES / GAMES LED BY ADULTS

ALL CHILDREN SHOULD BRING A PACKED LUNCH FROM HOME AND A BOTTLE OF WATER. IF YOU ARE ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND WOULD LIKE THE SCHOOL TO PROVIDE A LUNCH THEN PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY TUESDAY 10TH MAY 2022.

MR SOYKA AND TWO OTHER MEMBERS OF STAFF WILL LEAD A WALKING TOUR FOR THOSE CHILDREN WHO DO NOT WANT TO PLAY GAMES.

Landmarks to include the following: Big Ben and the Palace of Westminster – The Statue of Boudica, The Cabinet War Rooms – Horse Guards Parade, Downing Street, The Cenotaph, Scotland Yard, Leicester Square, National Gallery, Admiralty Arch and The Mall



1:45pm-2:00pm All classes to board coaches for the return journey to Parkside Community Primary School

2:00pm-3:15/3:30pm Coaches arrive back at school and children disembark along with staff

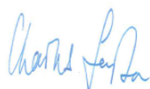
3:30pm-3:40pm Children returned to parents/carers

The trip promises to be a wonderful occasion for the whole school and is a great way of kick starting our 'Off the Curriculum' week. The long range weather forecast is looking very promising with highs of 18 degrees Celsius with slight cloud cover.

As I stated in my last letter to you about the trip that we hope the children will learn a great deal through the week and trips of this nature are a wonderful memory for the children that adds to their cultural capital.

If for any reason you want to speak to me about the trip please make an appointment through the office.

Yours sincerely



C Soyka
Headteacher