



HILLCROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 3 Spring Term Visits & Activities

During the Spring Term, we will be providing the Year 3 children with two great learning opportunities to inspire and deepen their knowledge and understanding linked to our spring term topics **Battle Stations** and **Supermarket Sweep**. We will be going on two trips; one is to a church where we will be learning about the festivals which Christians celebrate and the symbols which are associated with this religion. The other is to the chocolate factory, where we will find out how chocolate is made, explore the different types of chocolate and then have the opportunity to make some chocolate too - this is one of the children's (and teachers') favourite experiences.

Battle Stations -Morden Baptist Church

Wednesday 18th January 2017

We will be walking down to the church to meet with Darren Powell (the children, youth and family worker and minister in training). He will be leading the session and use different resources and stimuli to teach children about the symbols and festivals linked to Christianity. Once we have completed the session, we will then walk back to school and have lunch as usual so the children **do not** need to bring in packed lunch but please ensure that they are dressed appropriately for the weather that day.

Supermarket Sweep- The Chocolate Factory (Brixton)

Elder: Monday 13th March 2017

Rowan: Tuesday 14th March 2017

Lime: Monday 20th March 2017

We will be travelling by public transport. We will be leaving soon after registration, so please ensure you are at school on time, and arrive back at school in time for the end of the school day. The children will need to bring a packed lunch to school on this day, in their Hillcross Rucksack which should include a disposable water bottle (no glass bottles). Please pack them their healthy snack and water bottle also. The cost of the visit includes admission into the factory, two workshops and the opportunity to make chocolate. This trip has been a highlight for many children and staff during their time at Hillcross.

You are invited to make a voluntary contribution to cover the cost of your child taking part in the educational visits detailed above. The total cost of visits and activities for the Spring Term is **£7.50**. We confirm that the contribution represents our estimate of the costs shared equally amongst all pupils. No child will be excluded from the visit through an inability to pay, but if there are insufficient contributions then the visit may have to be cancelled. Please come and speak to us if you are having any difficulties in making this payment.

All contributions and permissions must be given via ParentPay by **Tuesday 31st January 2017**.

If you are interested in supporting on either of these trips, please speak to your child's class teacher. We need at least 3 parents per class for each of these visits. Please note you will require a DBS (previously CRB) or List 99 check before the day of the visit to the chocolate factory.

Yours sincerely,

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Year 3 Class Teacher

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