



**Dear Parents** 

## **Year 5 Residential Trip**

It has come to my attention that there is some concern around the forthcoming Year 5 residential.

I appreciate that given recent events in Paris that there is a heightened risk of terrorist attacks. Therefore, I would like to give you an update on the current situation. We are in regular contact with the NST Travel Company who have helped organise the trip. They receive the latest information from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office with regard to the level of risk. They are an experienced travel company and are well placed to provide sound advice and the latest information.

There is a procedure in school which has to be followed before any residential trip can go ahead. Firstly, a risk assessment is completed and I have to take this into account before approving the trip. Then, the risk assessment and trip have to be approved by Cheshire West and Chester Council before it can go ahead.

At this point in time we are assured that the risk is not high, trips to London are taking place currently. It is important to bear in mind that the children are in London for one day only and while they are there they will not be using the London Underground or any public transport as we will have our own coach.

However, there will be a meeting for parents early in the Spring term when parents will have the opportunity to ask questions and we will share the latest information.

Please be assured that your child's safety is a very high priority and I will work closely with parents in the weeks leading up to the trip.

Kind regards

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