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YORK'S
CHOCOLATE
STORY

23rd November 2023

Dear Parent/Carer (Year 6)

Year 6 – Visit to York's Chocolate Story on Friday 15th December 2023

On Friday 15th December the two Year 6 classes will be visiting York's Chocolate Story.

During our visit, children will be taking part in a KS2 workshop where they are able to explore the world of the Ancient Maya and their unforgettable legacy which is still influencing modern day life. The children will discover the importance of the cocoa bean to their society; from its use as currency, to a bitter drink consumed by the wealthy, as well as their part in the creation of the chocolate we know and love today. Children will get to join an interactive session, with the opportunity to create their own version of xocolat drink and further cross curricular links to geography and maths.

The coach will be leaving school at 9.00 am and it will, therefore, be necessary for the children to arrive promptly at school at 8.45 am. They will leave York's Chocolate Story at 2.45 pm to arrive back at Swanland Primary School (traffic permitting) by 4.00 pm. A packed lunch and a drink of water are required (no glass bottles please). The children will need to wear school uniform with comfortable shoes. A warm waterproof coat is essential in case of wet weather as there is a short walk from the coach to York's Chocolate Story.

A voluntary contribution of £23.00 per child to help defer the cost of admission, transportation and insurance would be gratefully received. This visit is now available on [ParentPay](#) for you to pay online in the usual way by Friday 8th December 2023. As you are now able to give consent on [ParentPay](#), you no longer need to return a paper permission slip to school.

As we are sure you can appreciate, the visit would not be economically viable and, therefore, could not take place should these donations fail to materialise. However, our policy is that no student should be discriminated against by virtue of their inability to pay. Parents in receipt of Income Support or a similar benefit should contact us in the knowledge that the matter will be dealt with in the strictest confidence.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson
Head Teacher

On behalf of the Year 6 Team