

November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Mayflower trip

To celebrate the progress and achievements made by Redwood pupils so far this year, we are organising a festive trip to the Mayflower Theatre in Southampton to see this year's pantomime, *Jack and the Beanstalk*, featuring Ashley Banjo and Diversity.

This trip will take place on Wednesday, 18th December. We will depart from school at 12:45 pm by 29-seater coach, arriving at the theatre in good time for the 2:00 pm matinee performance. The show is expected to finish at approximately 4:00 pm, and we will return to school by coach at around 4:15 pm, arriving back at approximately 5:00 pm.

If your child typically returns home by taxi, please inform the taxi company about this change, as you will need to arrange collection from school at 5:00 pm. The taxi service will not be able to accommodate this change. During the interval, all pupils will have the option of an ice cream or another selected refreshment. This trip will be significantly subsidised by the school; we kindly request a contribution of £25 towards the overall costs.

If you would like your child to attend, please log into the Arbor app, go to the Trip section, and provide consent. If you are using a mobile device, please turn it to landscape mode, scroll to the bottom right of the page, select "Trips," and the offered trip will appear on a new screen. Choose the trip and follow the instructions to give consent and make payment. The closing date for this trip is Friday, 29th November, at 4:00 pm. If your child receives Pupil Premium or has been entitled to Free School Meals in the last 6 years, financial assistance may be available. Please contact our Finance team at <u>finance@noadswood.hants.sch.uk</u> prior to the closing date.

We take our responsibility for the safety and welfare of our pupils very seriously, especially during off-site activities. Prior to any trip, we conduct a thorough risk assessment and implement all necessary measures to minimise risks, including arranging appropriate supervision by responsible adults. We expect all pupils participating in this activity to cooperate fully with these arrangements and to closely follow the instructions given by supervising staff. Consequently, we reserve the right to refuse a place on the trip to any pupil with previous behavioural concerns.

All Redwood staff will accompany pupils on the trip, and we will have an early lunch in school before we depart. On the day of the trip, pupils will attend lessons 1 and 2 and are therefore required to arrive at school in uniform. However, they may bring a change of clothes to wear before we leave for the theatre. Please note that the Mayflower Theatre is a cashless venue, so any additional purchases will require a bank card.

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If you have any questions regarding this trip, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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