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SWS/SAFESIDE/HB

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To parents/guardians of pupils in Year 5

Dear Parents/Guardians



I am delighted to inform you that Year 5 staff have booked a visit to the Safeside event in Birmingham on Thursday 2nd February (Mr Loynes and half of Miss Richards/Mr Squire's class) and Thursday 9th February (Miss Rahim and half of Miss Richards/Mr Squire's class)

Safeside is a child safety scheme which takes children through a variety of potentially hazardous everyday situations in a series of practical activities and workshops. It aims to involve children in exploring common situations which might compromise their safety. This is done in a controlled environment to help them discover ways of staying safe which they can share with their family and friends too.

We currently have 93 children in Year 5. Therefore the breakdown of the visit is as follows:

Coach Hire to Safeside Birmingham is £1,100

Entrance fee to Safeside £6.50 per child

Total cost of visit is **£1,704.50**

We currently have 93 children in Year 5 therefore the cost per child is **£18.32**

Payment can be made via the Pay360 cashless system, please click the consent box to give permission for this visit.

Legislation makes it clear that parental contributions to the expense of such visits must be genuinely voluntary and that no child can be treated differently whether or not the parents have made a contribution. We would like to think that, as in the past, we can rely on parents' support for events of this kind, but should sufficient contributions not be received we would have to cancel the visit. We should, of course, refund any monies paid if this happens.

If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals, please contact the school office, as you may be eligible for a reduction in the cost of this school trip.

We will leave school **promptly** at 8.30am and return to school by 3:45pm. **All children will be released from DOOR A - back gate will be closed** (a text will be sent to confirm exact return time on our way back). Your child will need to bring a packed lunch which they will eat at Safe Side. The children need to wear school uniform and wear a suitable outdoor coat.

Below is a consent form and we would be grateful if you could sign and return this with to money to school as soon as possible.

A polite reminder that the school car park should not be used by parents for pick-ups or drop-offs. Please collect your child from DOOR A next to the school entrance.

Yours sincerely

Year 5 Staff

Please return to Year 5 Class Teacher

NAME OF PUPIL: _____ Class: _____

- I give permission for my child to attend the event at Safeside on Thursday 9th February
- Emergency contact number _____

Signed: _____
(Parent/Guardian)

Date _____

