



28 January 2019

Dear Parents or Carers

Re: Stansted Mountfitchet Medieval Village and Castle

I would like to offer your son or daughter the opportunity to take part in the Stansted Mountfitchet Medieval Village and Castle trip being run by the History Department. The date of this visit (for all year 7 students) is on Thursday 9 May 2019.

Students will take part in a number of activities during the trip which will help in their studies and will complete an activity booklet to structure their learning towards the main points of interest. Whilst in the medieval village students get to sample the living history of a reconstructed village on its original ancient site, complete with many different buildings and siege weapons, thereby providing an insight into community life. The site also houses a Norman Motte and Bailey Castle. Students will be expected to behave responsibly in line with the St Martin's behaviour policy.

Students should arrive at school by 8:30 am for registration. We will take a coach to Stansted, which will leave school promptly at 9:00 am and we expect to return by 3:15 pm, however, please ensure that alternative travel arrangements are made in the event of our return being delayed by traffic. Students must be in full school uniform, however, trainers may be worn.

Your child will need:

- a packed lunch (those receiving free school meals will have one provided for them)
- writing equipment (pen and pencil) and a notepad
- appropriate clothing in the event of wet weather (including wellington boots)
- a small amount of spending money if they wish to visit the souvenir shop at the castle

Students will be under the direct supervision of staff at all times during the trip.

The trip will cost £21 and will be led by me, Mrs Savill accompanied by other members of the Humanities Department. Should this trip be oversubscribed, places will be randomly allocated to students who have returned the consent form by Friday 8 February 2019.

You do not need to enclose a deposit at this stage and if your son or daughter is successful in gaining a place you will be informed when payment is due. It is important to note that should the payment deadline be missed, your son or daughter's place on the trip may be in jeopardy. Unsuccessful students will be placed on a waiting list.

If you are interested in your son or daughter participating, please fill in the attached consent form with full medical information and dietary requirements included and return to the finance office by Friday 8 February 2019.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me via email: hsavill@st-martins.essex.sch.uk or telephone 01277 238300.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Savill
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